Adam von Trott Study Bursaries
at
Oxford & Göttingen Universities

2018 / 2019 Academic Year

A new study bursary scheme is being set up to commemorate Adam von Trott, who studied both at Oxford University (at Mansfield and Balliol Colleges) and at Göttingen University. The scheme has been put to place by the Oxford Adam von Trott Memorial Committee.

Adam von Trott zu Solz (1909 – 1944), was a German lawyer and diplomat involved in resistance to Nazism. He participated in the Kreisau Circle, which planned the reorganisation of Germany after the fall of Nazism, and in Claus von Stauffenberg’s plot to kill Hitler on 20 July 1944. After the plot failed, Adam was put to death in Berlin on 26 August, 1944.

Each award of €1360 will allow a graduate scholar from Oxford to spend up to a month to pursue studies in Göttingen, and a graduate scholar from Göttingen to spend up to a month to pursue studies in Oxford. Adam von Trott Bursary holders will be able to meet other relevant scholars, carry out research, make use of libraries and archives, and attend relevant seminars and lectures. It is also envisaged that they visit the new Adam von Trott Foundation at his family home in Imshausen, near to Göttingen.

Applicants will need to specify how their work will relate to the general themes of this cooperation - including democracy, peace, resistance, conscientious thinking, and European and international affair – and their specific reasons for applying, such as access to specialist libraries; supervision with desired tutors; taught programmes, or relevant field work. Successful candidates will be expected to provide a detailed report on their bursary visit - including benefits obtained from the award. Bursary holders are expected to be self-directed, and will need to negotiate their own study arrangements at Oxford and Göttingen – though advice and support will be available.

Successful candidates will be encouraged to take up this opportunity in either Trinity Term or Michaelmas Term (2019).

- Applications for the Göttingen Bursary are now invited from graduates studying at Oxford University, to go to paul.flather@mansfield.ox.ac.uk (Please note knowledge of German will be an advantage, though it is not an essential requirement.)

- The deadline for application has been extended to 22nd April, 2019.