Fully Funded PhD Positions in Astronomy at ISTA, Austria

The Institute of Science and Technology Austria (ISTA), an international research institute located just outside Vienna, invites applications for its 2027 PhD program.
We welcome applications from outstanding students interested in astronomy, astrophysics, and related areas of physics and computational science.
ISTA offers a fully funded, interdisciplinary PhD program that combines research, coursework, and rotations in different research groups, allowing students to explore their scientific interests before joining a research group.
All PhD students receive five-year employment contracts with internationally competitive salaries and full social security coverage.
Candidates with a Bachelor's or Master's degree in astronomy, physics, mathematics, or a related scientific discipline are encouraged to apply.

Application deadline: January 8, 2027, at 15:00 CET

Program start: September 2027

Further information and applications: https://phd.pages.ista.ac.at/phd-application-admission/

Virtual Student Open Day – November 18, 2026
Prospective applicants are also invited to join our Virtual Student Open Day to meet ISTA faculty and current PhD students, learn more about the program, and explore research opportunities at ISTA.

Registration: https://phd.pages.ista.ac.at/student-open-day/

The full job advertisement and accompanying visuals are also available in this shared folder: https://seafile.ist.ac.at/d/160bd4c2777c407594d0/