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In order for the affiliation discount to correctly apply, the author must select the institution that has the agreement with AAAS that grants them access to journal content, rather than their particular institute or center. For example, the author would need to select “Max-Planck-Gesellschaft” rather than “Fritz-Haber-Institut der Max-Planck-Gesellschaft”.

The author searches “Max-Planck-Gesellschaft” in the Affiliation Discount search box, selects the correct entry from the list of Ringgold identifiers, and clicks the blue “Apply Discounts” button.

The screenshot shows a web form titled "Apply Discounts" with a close button (X) in the top right corner. Below the title is a paragraph: "Please review the fields below to ensure you receive all the discounts to which you are entitled. When you are finished, click the orange 'Apply Discounts' button." The form is divided into three sections:

- Country Discount:** Shows "No Discount". Below it, a note says "APCs Waived For Authors In The Developing World." A dropdown menu is set to "United States" with a downward arrow. To the right, it says "This country does not qualify for a discount".
- Membership Discount:** Shows "No Discount". Below it, a note says "Not A AAAS Member Yet? Members Receive A 4% Discount On APCs." and a link "Explore The Benefits Of Membership Here." A text input field is labeled "Enter membership number".
- Affiliation Discount:** Shows "No Discount". Below it, a note says "Your Institution's Ringgold Approved Name Is Shown Here." A text input field contains "max-planck". To the right, it says "This institution does not qualify for a discount". A dropdown menu is open, showing a list of institutions with "Max-Planck-Gesellschaft" highlighted in blue. Below the dropdown is a blue "Enter" button. At the bottom right of the form are two buttons: "Close" and "Apply Discounts".

When the discount is successfully applied, a reduction in USD will appear instead of the text “No Discount”.

Following application of the discount, the author can proceed to payment options by clicking on the blue “Next” button which will present the option to create an account or sign in to an existing RightsLink account. The payment system is separate from the manuscript submission system and requires its own set of credentials. The information entered in this account will be used to populate the billing statement.

Depending on the authors profile in AAAS’s manuscript submission system (CTS), there will sometimes already appear an institution in the affiliation discount field. The existing text may simply be deleted and replaced with the correct institution name.