



Postdoctoral Fellowships in Sub-Saharan Africa

at DAAD supported Centres of Excellence Fellowship Announcement

What are the objectives of the programme?

The **DAAD** (German Academic Exchange Service), as a publicly funded, self-governing organisation of the institutions of higher education in Germany, promotes international academic exchange as well as educational co-operation with developing countries through a variety of funding and scholarship programmes.

The purpose of the programme is to provide opportunities to post-doctoral researchers from Sub-Saharan Africa to conduct co-operative research within the region, under the guidance of one of the host institutions mentioned below. The programme is designed to support post-doctoral training.

DAAD is offering up to 10 fellowships in 2018.

Eligible Applicants

Applicants have to

- preferably be alumni of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD).
- have completed their PhD degree not more than six years ago.
- be current or prospective teaching or research staff at a university or research institution in Sub-Saharan Africa.
- be invited by a Sub-Saharan African host institution. (please note: **DAAD does not find or introduce host institutions.**)
- be nationals of a Sub-Saharan African country.
- preferably come from other countries than the country where the programme takes place.

Eligible Fields

Applications may come from all subject areas with strong relevance to national or regional development.

Place of Tenure

The fellowships are tenable at any Sub-Saharan African university or research institution that has an existing cooperation with the DAAD:

https://www.daad.de/medien/der-daad/unsere-aufgaben/entwicklungszusammenarbeit/pdfs/spdl_empfaengerinstitutionen.pdf

Applications for other institutions having an existing cooperation with German institutes of higher education or operating with international academic partners can also be considered.

Duration and Commencement

In general, the awards are tenable for a period of six to twelve months and are not renewable.

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Value	<p>The fellowship consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A flat-rate travel allowance • A monthly research allowance of EUR 100.-- • A monthly instalment of EUR 1,000.-- • If a health insurance is compulsory for work and/or visa regulations DAAD will accept the costs for a standard tariff upon submission of receipt of paid invoice. <p>The scholarship is designed as a subsidy to the scholar's current salary / study leave income.</p> <p>Please note: In case the research stay takes place in your home country, no flat-rate travel allowance will be paid and the monthly instalment will be EUR 500,--.</p>
Terms and Conditions	<p>At the end of the fellowship the fellow has to provide a detailed report on the findings of the research signed by the hosting professor and give further information on future co-operation and academic activities.</p>
Application Procedure	<p>Applicants will be required to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. register online via the DAAD-Portal (if not already registered) https://portal.daad.de 2. Apply online via the DAAD-Portal under the tab "Personal Funding"/ "Application" <p>For technical questions regarding the DAAD-Portal, please contact portal@daad.de</p> <p>Documents to be submitted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DAAD application form duly filled (available in the DAAD-Portal). • Curriculum Vitae (please use the europass specimen form at http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu), including list of publications (if applicable). • Invitation and nomination by the host institution • Research proposal (up to 5 pages) including detailed time and work plan which must have been arranged in advance with the host researcher. • 2 recommendation letters by academic referees. • PhD certificate (certified as true copy of the original certificate). • Master's certificate (certified as true copy of the original certificate).
Deadline	<p>Applications can be handed in at any time, but at least four months before the intended visit at the respective host institution.</p>
Selection Criteria	<p>The objective for fellows is to undertake research during the tenure of the award. The project should not be a reworking or mere extension of the candidate's doctoral research project. In addition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The host institution has to adequately participate in the costs (e.g. infrastructure, other local expenses). • The host and the candidate must have established close communication and devised a concrete concept note. • The implementation of the fellowship should contribute to develop staff exchange between Sub-Saharan African universities. <p>Furthermore, the candidates should be ready to support the supervision of DAAD scholars, if required, by their host institution.</p>

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