



Postdoctoral Fellowships in Germany

for Former DAAD In-Region / In-Country Scholarship Holders from Sub-Saharan Africa

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, under the guidance of their host institutions, co-operative research at a German university or other research institutions. The programme is designed to augment opportunities for researchers from Sub-Saharan Africa.

Please note that short term visits for study and training purposes or for attending conferences are not eligible for sponsorship.

DAAD is offering up to 10 fellowships in 2018.

Eligible Applicants

Applicants have to

- be alumni of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) within the "In-Region / In-Country Scholarship Programme".
- have completed their PhD degree not more than six years ago.
- hold an academic position at a university or research institution in Sub-Saharan Africa.
- be invited by a German host institution (please note: **DAAD does not find or introduce host institutions.**)
- be nationals of a Sub-Saharan African country.

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 university or research institution in Germany.

Duration and Commencement

The awards are tenable for a period of two to six months and are not renewable.

Value

The fellowship consists of:

- A flat-rate travel allowance
- A research lump sum of EUR 600.--
- A monthly allowance of EUR 1,400.--
- An accident, personal liability and health insurance

Terms and Conditions

At the end of the fellowship the fellow has to provide a detailed report on the findings of the research co-signed by the hosting professor and give further information on future co-operation and academic activities.

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Application Procedure

Applicants will be required to:

1. **register** online via the DAAD-Portal (if not already registered)
<https://portal.daad.de/>
2. **apply** online under the following link
<https://www.daad.de/deutschland/stipendium/datenbank/de/21148-stipendiendatenbank/?status=&origin=&subjectGrps=&daad=1&q=postdoc&page=1&detail=57191484>

For technical questions regarding the DAAD-Portal, please contact
portal@daad.de

Documents to be submitted

- 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).
- Letter of invitation from a German host institution.
- Research proposal (at least 5 pages) including detailed time and work plan which must have been arranged in advance with the host researcher in Germany.
- Confirmation from a German professor stating that he/she will host the applicant during the stay.
- 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

Applications can be handed in at any time, but at least four months before the intended visit in Germany.

Selection Criteria

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. That means:

- The fellowship should advance the candidate's research profile.
- The host and the candidate must have established close communication and devised a concrete research plan.
- The implementation of the fellowship should contribute to promoting exchange between German and Sub-Saharan African universities.

Contacts

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