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Current trends in academic cooperation

The number of Vietnamese students in Germany has risen continuously in recent years. In the winter semester 2023/24, 7,069 Vietnamese international students were enrolled at German higher education institutions.

The Higher Education Compass of the German Rectors' Conference recorded 199 collaborations between German and Vietnamese HEIs in October 2024.

DAAD Activities

In addition to Vietnam, the DAAD Regional Office in Hanoi is also responsible for Cambodia, Laos and Myanmar. The clear focus of DAAD funding in Vietnam is on project cooperation.

The Vietnamese-German University (VGU) near Ho Chi Minh City is the first Vietnamese state university with foreign funding. The aim is to establish a research-based model institution that can be transferred to the Vietnamese higher education system. The VGU was opened in 2008 and is supported on the German side by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) and the state of Hesse. In 2009, the consortium association VGU e. V. was founded at the DAAD in Bonn with 36 universities and institutions from nine federal states (with TU9-Verbund). In the winter semester 2023/2024, more than 2,800 students were enrolled at the VGU and 17 degree programs were offered in cooperation with German partner HEIs, including nine M.Sc., one MBA, as well as five B.Sc., one BA and one B.Eng. So far, more than 1,647 students have successfully completed their studies at VGU. Highly relevant for Vietnamese universities is also the DAAD/HRK program "Dialogue on Innovative Higher Education Strategies (DIES)", which offers further training in higher education management. As part of the "Global Centers for Health and Pandemic Preparedness" program funded by the German Federal Foreign Office, the University of Tübingen and the Vietnamese-German Center for



- 798 funding recipients from Vietnam (2023)
- ← 280 funding recipients from Germany (2023)

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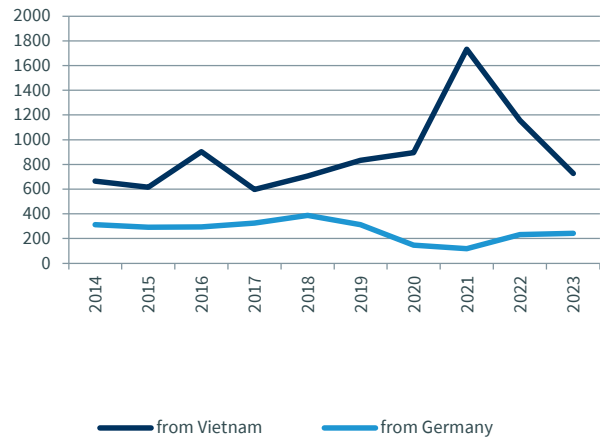
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Medical Research (VG-CARE) in Hanoi successfully applied to join a broader alliance of 28 institutions from Asia, Europe and Africa as the "PAN ASEAN Coalition for Epidemic and Outbreak Preparedness" (PACE-UP). PACE-UP will contribute to building effective capacities and systems to respond to infectious diseases with epidemic or pandemic potential until at least 2025 (option to extend until 2030). This will include establishing a PhD program in experimental medicine and master's modules, awarding scholarships and training clinical and non-clinical staff through training workshops and professional development seminars.

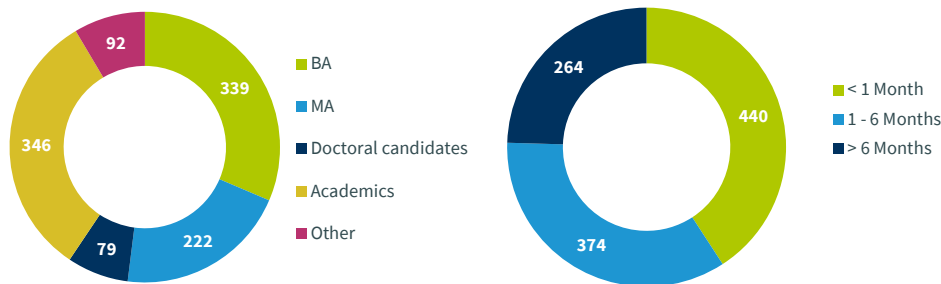
Selected funding programmes by number of DAAD funding recipients 2023

Individual funding	Vietnam	Germany
Research Grants for young scientists and academics	33	-
Internationalisation of universities of applied sciences (HAW.International)	76	26
Project funding	Vietnam	Germany
Global Centers for Health and Pandemic Preparedness	129	8
DIES	105	5
Support for students, graduates and participants in German degree programmes and binational German-foreign universities abroad for stays in Germany	118	-
EU	Vietnam	Germany
ERASMUS mobility grants	71	37

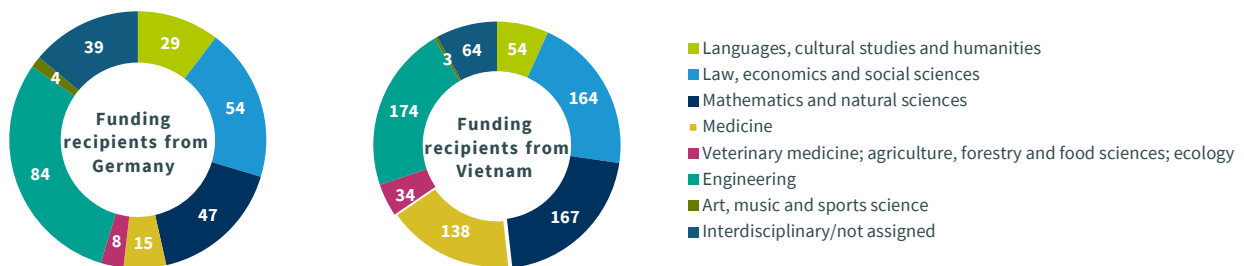
DAAD funding recipients Vietnam 2014–2023 (excl. EU mobility programmes)



Distribution of DAAD funding recipients 2023 (including EU mobility programmes)



Subject distribution of DAAD funding recipients 2023 (incl. EU mobility programmes)



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