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# newsletter





#### DAAD

Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst German Academic Exchange Service

#### Dear Reader,

Welcome to the 2015/16 academic year. We wish all students and scientists a good start in their academic and research work in Germany.

Application deadlines for most DAAD supported scholarship programmes is almost due. There are varied opportunities for first degree graduates and PhD candidates alike. Apart from DAAD supported scholarship programmes, there are a host of other German organisations which fund study or research programmes in Germany.

For further information and the complete list of schorlarship and funding programmes by DAAD German organisations, other www.funding-guide.de

Keep in touch with our center via email with ISSER (Institute for Statistical, Social through info@daad-ghana.org.

Know about DAAD programmes on our web- African Centre for Crop Improvement) will site (www.daad-ghana.org) as well as other take place on the campus of University of social media platforms (Facebook and Twitter) Legon, Accra. of DAAD Ghana.

Info-service. Just text #DAADGHANA to short food security, economics, and development code 1942 on all networks.

Best regards,

#### WACEE Fair, 2015

The next West African Clean Energy and Environment Exhibition and Conference (WACEE) will take place from 3rd to 5th November, 2015 here in Accra. The DAAD Information Center Accra will participate in this event as an exhibitor alongside with a number of German exhibitors in the clean energy and environment industry.

This year's exhibition and conference will feature stakeholders and professionals from fields of energy generation, transmission and



- Alumni Event 7th October
- **WACEE Fair**
- **Proposal Writing Workshop**

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Director, DAAD Information Center Accra Alumni Event - 7th October





DAAD scholarship holders from Ghana from the SPRING Programme, Uni. Dortmund. 2015/16 academic vear

The upcoming Regional DAAD Alumni Conference titled "A World without Hunger", funded by the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development and organized by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) in cooperation and Economic Research) and WACCI (West

All DAAD Alumni in the sub-region, especial-You can also subscribe to the DAAD Ghana ly alumni from fields of agricultural sciences, related fields are invited to attend.

> Prior registration is mandatory! For further information, contact intern@daad-ghana.org

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Interested in pursuing a PhD in Germany?

Make use of the PhD database:

www.phdgermany.de

Learn more about Research-in-Germany

#### www.research-in-germany.org

Among other things, find out about Germany's Research Landscape, funding opportunities for your research (mostly for doctoral and post doc research), research areas, news and events etc.

#### Research in Germany •••••• Land of Ideas

**DAAD Scholarship** 

www.funding-guide.de

Search for DAAD funded programmes as well as scholarships from other German scholarship awarding Institutions.

DAAD Scholarship for Courses with Relevance to Developing Countries

Please visit: <a href="www.daad.de/">www.daad.de/</a>
<a href="pgc">www.daad.de/</a>
<a href="pgc">pgc</a>
<a href="pgc">and go to 'Information for Students and Alumni' - click on Postgraduate Information and then Postgraduate courses. Please note, applications are made one year prior to commencement of scholarship.

Alumniportal Deutschland

www.alumniportal-deutschland.org

As a Germany trained alumnus/ alumna, you are welcome to join other Germany trained colleagues through this online community. Find jobs, follow-up on Blogs, join subject related groups etc. distribution, energy efficiency and electrical engineering, environmental technology, waste recycling as well as waste and sewage treatment.

Date: 3rd - 5th November, 2015

Time: 9am to 5pm daily

Venue: Accra International Conference Cen-

tre, Accra.

#### **Proposal Writing Workshop**

The proposal writing workshop organized by the DAAD Information Center Accra took place on 9th September, 2015 at the main Conference room of Noguchi Memorial Institute for Medical Research, Legon. Participants included master's degree holders from all fields of research including, humanities, social sciences, economic sciences and business administration, natural sciences as well as engineering.

The presenters were Dr. Wolfram Laube from the Center for Development Research, Bonn (ZEF, Bonn) and Dr. Ebenezer Adaku, a former DAAD alumnus and a lecturer at the Ghana Institute for Management and Public Administration (GIMPA). General feedback after the workshop was very positive. Most of the participants recommended that this workshop is made a yearly two-day programme that will offer valuable help to prospective PhD applicants.

We wish all prospective PhD applicants the very best in their endeavours.

We will keep you posted on future events with respect to Research-in-Germany.



Group photograph at the end of the Proposal writing workshop 09.09.2015

#### **DAAD Research Grants**

#### Bi-nationally supervised doctoral degree programmes

This grant is for PhD candidates pursuing their doctoral programmes in their home country to undertake a research phase at a state or state-recognised institution of higher education or a non-university research institute in Germany as part of a doctoral programme. Their research proposal must be coordinated with the academic advisers at the home university and in Germany.

## Doctoral training programme in Germany

This grant is for PhD candidates pursuing their entire doctoral programme at a state or state-recognised institution of higher education or a non-university research institute in Germany. This grant is offered for individual projects under the supervision of a university teacher or academic adviser or for participation in a structured doctoral study programme in Germany.

#### One-year grants

This grant is purposely for a research project or course of continuing education at a state or state-recognised institution of higher education in Germany or a non-university research institute, which is being carried out in coordination with an academic adviser in Germany for a period of 7 months to usually 10 months; the length of the grant is decided by a selection committee and depends on the project in question and the applicant's work schedule.

#### Short-term grants

This grant is purposely for a research project or course of continuing education at a state or state-recognised institution of higher education or a non-university research institute in Germany, which is being carried out in coordination with an academic adviser in Germany for a period of one month to a maximum of six months; the length of the grant is decided by a selection committee and depends on the project in question and the applicant's work schedule

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#### Grants for research stays for university academics and scientists

University teachers and established academics and scientists who have usually completed a doctoral degree and work at a university or research institute in their home country can apply for research stays at state or state-recognised institutions of higher education or non-university research institutes in Germany. Applicants can apply for a period of one to three months.

For more information on DAAD research grants, visit <a href="https://www.funding-guide.de">www.funding-guide.de</a>

#### **DAAD RISE (Internship programme)**

RISE worldwide is starting the next round: For summer 2016 we are again asking for internship offers giving German undergraduate students the possibility to intern worldwide.

Research groups, laboratories and doctoral students from all over the world can apply to host a motivated and well-qualified student from Germany as a research intern to assist with a proposed project. Students participating in this program come from the fields of biology, chemistry, physics, earth sciences, engineering, medicine, or a closely related field, and receive a DAAD scholarship to assist cover living expenses and travel costs.

Internship projects can be submitted online at <a href="http://www.daad.de/rise-weltweit/en/index.html">http://www.daad.de/rise-weltweit/en/index.html</a> from September 1, 2015 to October 15, 2015.

Between November 1, 2015 and December 15, 2015 the database opens for the German students and each student may apply for up to three internship projects . The prospective hosts are then asked to provide DAAD with their quality assessment of the applications for their projects.

Please forward the program information to the interested networks of academics, alumni and anyone else who might be interested. Please do not hesitate to contact <a href="mailto:rise-worldwide@daad.de">rise-worldwide@daad.de</a> if you have further questions or need more material.

## UNILEAD - University Leadership Training Programme

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and the Department of Continuing Education and Education Management at the Carl von Ossietzky University of Oldenburg in Germany are jointly organizing the DIES (Dialogue on Innovative Higher Education Strategies) University Leadership and Management Training Programme UNILEAD in Oldenburg, enabling young management-level professionals at higher education institutions in developing countries to tackle successfully every-day challenges. Applications can be submitted via the online application form on the UNILEAD-website at:

http://www.c3l.uni-oldenburg.de/unilead\_2016.html

Strict closing date of the application is **October**, **12th 2015**, **23:59 Central European Time**.

For further information please contact <u>unilead@uni-oldenburg.de</u> or visit: <u>www.unilead.uni-oldenburg.de</u>

#### Master in Engineering at RWTH

The high-ranked RWTH Aachen University is offering international students the following programmes in Engineering sciences:

### Master of Science in Management and Engineering

- Management and Engineering in Computer Aided Mechanical Engineering
- Management and Engineering in Electrical Power Systems
- Management and Engineering in Production Systems

#### Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering

- Computer Aided Conception and Production in Mechanical Engineering
- Production Systems Engineering

RWTH is located in the most western city in Germany, Aachen, and offers outstanding opportunities for international students, who benefit from preeminent teaching, science, and research as well as from close cooperations between the university and international industry. To ensure an excellent working environment, the RWTH International Academy provides additional support for all academic, organizational, and social matters.

Apply by 1st of March, 2016 for programmes starting in October, 2016.

For detailed information on application requirements,

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visit:

www.master-mechanical-engineering.com www.management-and-engineering.com

#### MBA at Berlin School of Economics and

#### Law

The Berlin school of economics and law offers MBA and Master programmes designed to provide an overarching understanding of management tasks, offering the tools and expertise needed by executive management in global companies or medium-sized firms. Programmes include:

- MBA Master of Business Administration
- Master International Business Management,
- Master Chinese-European Economics and Business Studies

For further information, visit: www.mba-berlin.de

#### Welcome to our Kulturweit Volunteer



Katharina Stöhr is currently completing a *Kulturweit* voluntary service at the DAAD Information Center Accra. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Public and Nonprofit Management of the Berlin School of economics and law.

As a recent graduate of higher education in Germany, she is happy to answer your questions about student life and how to apply to German universities.

Consultation Hours for individual consultation for applicants who already have admission to a German university or have the participatory Note from the Introductory Session:

#### Opening hours:

Mondays 15:30–18:30h (Goethe Institut) Thursdays 09.00–11.00h (German Embassy, Main Building) Fridays 14:30–18:30h (Goethe Institut)

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## Alumniportal Deutschland-Contact person for Ghana

Ms. Fortune Agbele is the new consultant for Alumniportal Deutschland (<a href="www.alumniportal-deutschland.org">www.alumniportal-deutschland.org</a>) in Ghana. Fortune studied a Master degree in Public Policy at the Hertie School of Governance in Berlin, Germany. She is currently back in Ghana working with the Youth Empowerment for Africa and she is also a member of the Ghanaian German Alumni Network on the platform. She is also a co-founder of Mutatio Institute, a nongovernmental 'Think-Tank' established by a group of DAAD alumni to contribute to transforming policy and governance in Ghana through a sustained effort in public policy analysis.

One of her goals is to revive this network and to make it more engaging. She is convinced that with your active participation, the group will help to rekindle your memories of your time in Germany as well as informative in sharing experiences and information of issues ranging from employment to knowledge on both Ghana and Germany. Please feel free to visit the forum and briefly introduce yourself, as well as invite other friends of yours to join the platform.

Visit: www.alumniportal-deutschland.org



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