**Factsheet - DAAD Funding Opportunities for Alumni Associations**

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| **Programme background** |  | The connection between DAAD alumni and the DAAD is practised in more than 160 alumni associations worldwide. The DAAD values the alumni associations as important partners for international exchange and as a driving force for alumni work on site. The commitment of the alumni associations significantly contributes to the sustainability of the DAAD scholarship programmes. The DAAD supports the activities of the alumni associations. On application, it awards grants for further training for board members, association publications and for the association's IT equipment. |
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| **What are the programme's objectives?** |  | Educational grants for board members: The programme aims to enhance the skills of board members in areas relevant to the work of the association. The skills acquired in the seminars are meant to empower the alumni and be used for shaping and developing the association's work even more actively.  Association publications: The aim is to support the publication of the results of selected association activities on topics that make important contributions to current social or (science) policy debates. The publications also help to publicise the associations and their work.  IT equipment: The programme aims to promote the digitalisation of association work. The acquisition of suitable hardware and software helps to optimise internal processes, improve communication with members and increase IT security. |
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| **What will be funded?** |  | Educational grants for board members: Upon application, the DAAD grants the board members of alumni associations registered with the DAAD an educational grant. The training can be chosen freely but must be directly related to the association's work. Funding can be provided up to a maximum of 500.00 euros per applicant and calendar year. Funding is limited to two training grants per association and year.  Association publications: Funding can be provided for publications that reflect the results of selected association activities and make them accessible to a broader audience. Publications that make important contributions to current social or (scientific) political debates are especially appreciated. Funding can also be provided for publications that serve to publicise the association and its activities. In terms of sustainability, it should always be examined whether and how digital publications can replace print editions.  IT equipment: Funding is provided for IT equipment (hardware, software and software licences) for alumni associations. Funding for hardware is limited to alumni associations in developing and emerging countries (cf. DAC country list). The maximum amount is 1,500.00 euros. If funding is provided for the purchase of hardware, the equipment must be used exclusively for the association's work. They are not intended for the private use of an individual; sale is not permitted. The equipment must be labelled with DAAD stickers. A report will be requested two years after the funding has been completed. Funding for hardware is only possible at intervals of at least 5 years from the last comparable funding. |
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| **Who can submit an application?** |  | Generally, members of associations that are registered with the DAAD as alumni associations and primarily address DAAD alumni are eligible to apply.  Grants for further education can only be applied for by board members. If the educational grant is applied for by a board member who is not the chairperson of the association, a statement by the chairperson(s) must be provided.  Applications for hardware grants can only be submitted by associations in DAC countries. |
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| **Selection decision** |  | The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) decides on the application. The criterion for the decision is the conformity of the measure with the objectives of the programme as well as a convincing presentation of the project. The decision is made taking into account the available budget funds and the period of time since the last funding of a comparable association activity. |
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| **Application process** |  | **Application deadline:** Ongoing, no later than three months before the measure. In general, applications submitted at shorter notice cannot be considered.  **Relevant application documents:**   |  | | --- | | Fully completed **application form** incl. **project description** | | **Educational grants for board members:** If applicable, brief **statement** by the association chairperson (Annex 1). | | **Association publications and IT** **equipment**: Please submit **three** comparative offers. | |  |
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