Staff Exchange in Africa Fellowship Announcement for the programme “Strengthening Capacities in Land Governance in Africa”

Programme objectives

Within the framework of the programme “Strengthening Advisory Capacities for Land Governance in Africa” (SLGA) the DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) provides staff exchange fellowships for African universities and professionals.

The aim of the programme is an enhanced implementation of land policy with due regard to marginalised groups such as smallholders, pastoralists and women by African institutions and professionals in selected countries.

The main objectives of the staff exchange are:

- to strengthen and promote demand-driven teaching and research in the field of land governance and land management;
- to foster mutual knowledge exchange in order to enhance educational capacities within the land management and land policy sector in Africa;
- to promote monitoring and evaluation regarding land policies;
- to foster institutional specialisation in the area of land governance and land management.

SLGA is funded by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ). It is jointly implemented by GIZ (German Corporation for International Cooperation), DAAD, African Land Policy Initiative (LPI) and the World Bank.

DAAD is offering up to 6 fellowships in 2018.

Eligible Applicants

Applicants must

- have completed their PhD degree;
- be senior staff at an African university/a NELGA network university;
- be invited by an African host university/a NELGA network university;
- be nationals of an African country;
- be granted leave of absence by their home institution for the purpose of teaching at the host institution.

Female applicants and candidates from less privileged regions or groups are especially encouraged to participate in the programme.

Eligible Fields

Applicants must have a background in land governance/land management or a related field, including land administration and management, land economics, natural resource economics, environmental economics, development economics, real estate development and management, environmental law, development studies, urban and regional planning, urban development and management, geomatics (GIS & Surveying), geography, natural resource management, agriculture economics and other land related fields with strong relevance to national development.

Place of Tenure

The fellowships are tenable at any accredited African university.

Duration

The awards are tenable for a period of one up to four months and are not renewable.
The fellowship consists of:

- A flat-rate travel allowance: EUR 280.- for in-country, EUR 430.- for neighbouring countries, EUR 630.- for in-region, EUR 980.- for out of region;
- A weekly allowance of EUR 300.- (EUR 1,200.- per month).

The fellowship is designed as a subsidy to the scholar’s current salary / study leave income. The travel allowance and the honorarium cover all costs arising from and in connection with the travel and stay. This may be, for example, visa fees, costs for health checks or vaccinations, baggage costs or luggage insurance and taxable charges.

At the end of the fellowship the fellow must provide a detailed report on the findings of the teaching and give further information on future co-operation and academic activities.

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://portal.daad.de/sap/bc/bsp/sap/z_set_cookie/setcookie.htm?fund_ar=s
   tv&id=57388760

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);
- Invitation by the host institution;
- Concept note (generally 3-5 pages) indicating the duties and functions including detailed time and work (teaching) plan, as well as information on the target group for the teaching;
- PhD certificate (certified as true copy of the original certificate);
- Proof of leave of absence by their home institution for the purpose of teaching at the host institution.

Applications can be handed in at any time, but at least three months before the intended visit at the host institution.

The funds will be transferred to the German Embassy, the institution in the host country or the fellowship holder’s personal bank account.

The objective is to improve the quality and quantity of training and research at African universities and to promote the mobility of lecturers.

- The host institution shall provide the local expenses such as lodging, board, local transportation and medical care during the stay.
- The home institution shall maintain the payment of the salary and benefits for the duration of the fellowship.
- The implementation of the fellowship should contribute to develop staff exchange between African universities.

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