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

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.

Fellowships are granted for the purpose of:
- monitoring visits at the below mentioned universities as part of bi-nationally supervised dissertations;
- implementation of education and/or training events (e.g. summer schools);
- implementation of short-term training events for staff working as mid-career professionals with MSc-Degree in concerned ministerial institutions;
- other similar events.

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 9 fellowships until 2020.

Applicants must
- have completed their PhD degree;
- be senior staff at a European university;
- be invited by one of the NELGA network universities;
- be granted leave of absence by their home institution.

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

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.

The fellowships are tenable at the universities mentioned above.

The awards are tenable for a period of up to 12 days and are not renewable.
The fellowship consists of:
- A flat-rate travel allowance according to DAAD travelling allowances;
- A daily flat-rate allowance (according to Bundesreisekostengesetz, BRKG);
- A daily lodging allowance upon verification (according to Bundesreisekostengesetz, BRKG).

The travel allowance and the daily allowances 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 exchange 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 1–2 pages) indicating the duties and functions during the intended stay including detailed time and work plan;
- PhD certificate (certified as true copy of the original certificate);
- Proof of leave of absence by the home institution for the purpose of visiting 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 fellowship holder’s personal bank account.

The objective is to improve the quality and quantity of training and research at African universities. Fellowships are designed to strengthen and promote demand-driven teaching and research in the field of land governance and land management, to foster mutual knowledge and institutional specialisation in land governance and land management.

The home institution shall maintain the payment of the salary and benefits for the duration of the fellowship.

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