Dear readers,

With this special edition of our newsletter, we want to express you our best wishes for the new year 2016. We thank you for the fruitful collaboration in the past years and particularly in 2015.

Our team is looking forward to supporting your ideas for a prosperous academic and scientific cooperation between Germany and Cameroon.

In this edition you will find current calls for application for interesting programmes and positions that may enhance the scientific ties between our countries.

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**Erasmus + Programmes for 2016**

*The Erasmus scholarship and cooperation programmes will be extended to African countries.*

1. **Promotion of Mobility**
   
   Cameroonian students and university staff can travel to Europe (Programme Countries). Reasons for travels are learning, lectures and continuing education. To a lesser extent, mobility can also be promoted from European to Cameroonian institutions. Internships cannot be considered in this programme.

   The application is submitted by the German/European university. Deadline: 2nd February 2016

2. **Mobility within the Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees**

   The list of the Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Courses is available under the following link: [https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/library/scholarships-catalogue_en](https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/library/scholarships-catalogue_en)

   Application period for students: October—January.

3. **Promotion of Capacity Building Projects in Higher Education**

   In this programme projects can be developed between German/European and Cameroonian universities to modernise or restructure the university systems. This can cover curriculum development, modernisation of university administration and reinforcement of the relation university-society.

   The application is submitted by the German/European university. Deadline: 10th February 2016

4. **Jean Monnet-Activities in Erasmus +**

   Find more information about these four programme lines under: [http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus_en](http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus_en)
Call for Application at the Pan African University of Water and Energy Sciences:

New Call for Short-Term Academic Staff of the Pan African University Institute of Water and Energy Sciences (incl. Climate Change) PAUWES in Tlemcen, Algeria

The Pan African University Institute of Water and Energy Sciences (incl. Climate Change) (PAUWES) in Tlemcen, Algeria, has launched the fifth Call for Applications for short-term academic staff. The thematic areas of the announced positions are mostly in the fields of Water, Energy, Climate Change and Policy. Closing date for application is 31 January 2016. The detailed job descriptions, as well as information about the application process can be found here: http://pauwes.univ-tlemcen.dz/fifth-call-short-term-academic-staff/

Since 2013 the DAAD is participating, in cooperation with Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) and the KfW Development Bank, in the constitution of the Pan African University Institute of Water and Energy Sciences (incl. Climate Change) (PAUWES) at the Abou Bekr Belkaid University in Tlemcen, Algeria. The PAUWES-institute is one of the five hubs of the PAU.

PAU has been founded by the African Union (AU) with the aim to revitalize African higher education and research towards the achievement of a prosperous, integrated and peaceful Africa. The PAUWES institute offers four degree programmes: two Masters of Science in Water engineering and Policy and two Master of Science in Energy engineering and Policy. The four of them are full time two-year master’s programmes. The language of instruction is English. At a later point, doctoral programmes will be provided as well.

Réception d’usagers au Goethe-Institut Kamerun

À cause des travaux de rénovation des bureaux du Goethe-Institut Kamerun, les usagers ne pourront y être recus durant tout le mois de janvier 2016.

L’horaire hebdomadaire de réception sera honoré à partir du lundi 1er février à 14h. Nous comptons sur votre bonne compréhension.

Le bureau principal au campus de Ngoa-Ekelle reste bien sûr ouvert aux horaires de réception à savoir: mardi, 14h - 17h et mercredi et jeudi (9h - 12h).
Volkswagen Foundation: Call for Application

Knowledge for Tomorrow - Cooperative Research Projects in Sub-Saharan Africa

Objective

The funding initiative is open to all disciplines and aims at the development and sustainable reinforcement of research in Sub-Saharan Africa. Research projects, developed and carried out by African scholars and scientists in close cooperation with their German partners, shall provide junior researchers in Africa with an opportunity to enhance their skills and academic qualifications. Special emphasis is put on the development, reinforcement, and extension of academic networks inside Africa beyond existing language barriers.

Scope of Funding

The following call aims at post-docs starting academic careers in Africa. Funding can only be approved for research projects carried out in cooperation with a partner academic institution in Germany, and for Junior and Senior Fellowships with a 36-month duration.

Open Calls

Call for Pre-Proposals for Postdoctoral Fellowships on Livelihood Management, Reforms and Processes of Structural Change. **Deadline for application is April 6, 2016.** Details of conditions and the application procedure can be found under [Information for Applicants 81k (pdf)](Information for Applicants 81k (pdf)). Applications must be filed electronically via the application portal.

Workshops, symposia and summer schools in Africa

Applications will only be accepted for processing after previous consultation with the respective contact person.

Background

The funding initiative was introduced in 2003. By way of preparation, the Foundation organized a number of events during which the pertinent parameters were discussed. This applied especially to the researchers on the African side.

From time to time, the Volkswagen Foundation organizes thematic workshops in order to aid the identification of promising areas of future-oriented research and the development of innovative lines of research in a spirit of partner-like cooperation. These meetings are used to discuss the current status of research, identify research issues, and to explore and develop possibilities for cooperation with other researchers and research institutions inside sub-Saharan Africa. Attendance at these workshops is by invitation only. Details of how to apply are posted on the Foundation’s homepage.
DAAD strengthens intra-African cooperation with In-Region scholarships

In the framework of its scholarship programmes, the DAAD offers to young African students or graduates the possibility to study at another university of the continent and obtain a degree. This enhances the mobility within the continent. This programme, which has been offered for many years, has now been extended to new universities in some selected countries. Cameroonians are eligible to all those offers.

ACMS: African Centre for Migration and Society, University of Witwatersrand, South Africa
Postgraduate training aiming at university staff development and public sector demand of academically trained personnel.

Who can apply? Nationals from any country in Sub-Saharan Africa, except from South Africa.

What is supported?: Master of Arts in Forced Migration Studies
Duration of funding: One year
Value: Monthly allowance, Travel allowance, Tuition fees, Health insurance
Selection: Applications have to be submitted to ACMS only.

More detailed information: For more details and application requirements please refer to ACMS: http://www.migration.org.za/

APFP: African Paedicatric Fellowship Programme, University of Cape Town, South Africa
Postgraduate training aiming at university staff development and public sector demand of academically trained personnel.

Who can apply? Nationals from any country in Sub-Saharan Africa, except from South Africa.

What is supported? Master of Medicine or Master of Philosophy in general paediatrics and paediatric sub-disciplines
Duration of funding: Up to two years
Value: Monthly allowance, Travel allowance, Tuition fees, Health insurance
Selection: Applications have to be submitted to APFP only. http://www.paediatrics.uct.ac.za/scah/apfp

ARPPIS: African Regional Postgraduate Programme in Insect Science, University of Ghana
Postgraduate training aiming at university staff development and public sector demand of academically trained personnel.

Who can apply? Nationals from any country in Sub-Saharan Africa, except from Ghana.

What is supported? Master of Philosophy in Entomology
Duration of funding: Two years
Value: Monthly allowance, Travel allowance, Tuition fees, Health insurance
Selection: Applications have to be submitted to ARPPIS/Ghana only

More information about all In-region Scholarships available under: www.funding-guide.de