

## Development-Related Postgraduate Courses (EPOS / AST): Re-invitation Programme for former scholarship-holders • DAAD

### Overview

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#### Objective

The aim of this programme is to enable former scholarship holders of the [“Development-Related Postgraduate Courses \(EPOS\)”](https://www2.daad.de/deutschland/stipendium/datenbank/en/21148-scholarship-database/?status=&origin=&subjectGrps=&daad=&intention=&q=epos&page=1&detail=50076777) to carry out research, working projects in Germany and to maintain contacts as part of DAAD's global alumni network.

#### Who can apply?

Former DAAD scholarship holders of the [“Development-Related Postgraduate Courses \(EPOS\)”](https://www2.daad.de/deutschland/stipendium/datenbank/en/21148-scholarship-database/?status=&origin=&subjectGrps=&daad=&intention=&q=epos&page=1&detail=50076777) who successfully finished their studies.

#### What can be funded?

- Research and projects at state or state-recognised institutions of higher education or non-university research institutes in Germany.
- Work stay at an institution in business, administration, for former scholarship holders of the “Development-Related Postgraduate Courses (EPOS)” who work outside of the academic sector.
- A research or work stay can also take place at several host institutions.
- Funding may only be claimed once within three years.

#### Duration of the funding

- One to three 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.
- The grant is non-renewable.

#### Value

- Monthly payments of  
2,000 euros for assistant teachers, assistant professors and lecturers  
2,150 euros for professors  
Monthly payments for former scholarship holders who work outside the science sector will be calculated based upon their qualifications accordingly.
- Travel allowance, unless these expenses are covered by the home country or another source of funding.
- Other payments cannot be made.

#### Selection

An independent selection committee reviews the applications.

The most important selection criteria are:

- Academic achievements and, if applicable, publications, which must be documented in the curriculum vitae and a list of publications
- A convincing and well-planned research or work project

In the case of working stays outside the science sector, particular attention is paid to the following questions:

- Will the stay in Germany have a sustainable effect on your professional activity?
- Can you expect it to have multiplier effects, for example, in the form of planned publications?
- Will your stay in Germany promote existing cooperations?

## Application requirements

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### What requirements must be met?

- Applicants may not have lived in Germany for at least three years and should have worked in a study-related or development-related field (ideally in a developing country).
- The research or working project must be coordinated with a cooperation partner in Germany.

## Application Procedure

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### Application deadline

- March 31st for stays between July and December.
- September 29th for stays between January and June.

### Application documents

#### Documents to be uploaded to the DAAD portal:

- Online application form
- Full curriculum vitae in tabular form (max. 3 pages)
- If necessary, list of academic publications
- Comprehensive statement about research or working project (max. 10 pages)
- Time schedule and itinerary (host institutions / cooperation partners) of planned research or working visit
- Letter from host institution confirming academic cooperation, which refers to the applicant's proposal and guarantees that the project will be supervised and a workplace provided
- Proof of being a former DAAD scholarship holder within the programme "Development-Related Postgraduate Courses" and a copy of the Master / PhD Diploma.

The application occurs online via the DAAD portal.

### Please note

- Your application is only valid if you submit all the required documents to the DAAD portal on time.
- The DAAD portal closes at 24.00 hrs. Central European Time (CET) on the last application day.
- Late or incomplete applications cannot be considered. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that their applications are complete.
- The application documents remain with the DAAD. Data relating to applicants is saved by the DAAD in accordance with the Federal Data Protection Act and with the EU Data Protection Regulation insofar as this data is needed to process the application.

## Contact and Consulting

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### More detailed information

- DAAD website "[Important information for DAAD scholarship applicants](https://www.daad.de/en/study-and-research-in-germany/scholarships/important-information-for-scholarship-applicants/)" [<https://www.daad.de/en/study-and-research-in-germany/scholarships/important-information-for-scholarship-applicants/>]

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