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## Dear reader,

with the holidays rapidly approaching we hope you will find a minute to read through our last newsletter for 2021. We have compiled reports on some of our latest and most innovative events and projects as well as a preview of upcoming events and deadlines.

In the beginning of 2022, our newsletter will take a short hiatus to return with a new issue in April. In the meantime, please check our [events page](#) as well as social media channels to not miss out on any projects, [events](#), or deadlines.

Our office will remain closed from Monday 20th December 2021 until Friday 14th January 2022.

Enjoy your holidays and take your time to rest and revive for the next year.

Frohe Feiertage!  
Afehyia pa!  
Afi oo afi!  
Efé bé dzogbenyui na mi!  
Barka da sabuwar shekara!

Lena Leumer  
Director, DAAD Information Centre Accra

Official launch of G-WAC



## **German-West African Centre for Global Health and Pandemic Prevention**

The German-West African Centre for Global Health and Pandemic Prevention (G-WAC) is funded within the DAAD-programme Global Centres for Climate and Environment with financial support from the Federal Foreign Office. G-WAC, which is based at the College of Health Sciences started functioning since May, 2021 and was officially launched on 25th of November 2021. German institutions involved are the Berlin School of Public Health (Technical University Berlin and Charité Berlin) and the University of Bonn.

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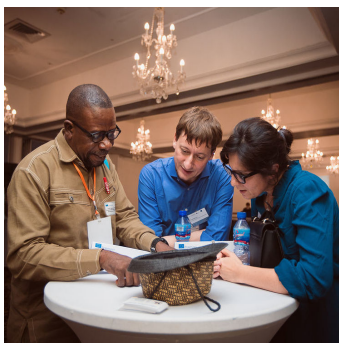


## **University Cooperation**

### **University Landscape and general advice on cooperation**

German universities, like most universities around the world, maintain a broad network of international partnerships. The DAAD supports such international partnerships through a number of schemes that aim to foster cooperation among higher education institutions. We encourage universities in sub-Saharan Africa to explore such options.

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## **Great Exchanges: Bridges to Germany**

### **PhD Matchmaking conference**

The PhD/Post-doc matchmaking conference was organized for the first time in August 2021. More than 300 participants registered with a good number of interested German graduate schools. There were 117 scheduled appointments between institutions and prospective PhD or Post-doc applicant and a good outcome from a number of meetings.

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## **Falling Walls Science Summit 2021**

### **Ghana's Science Engagement**

Being part of the Falling Walls Science Summit 2021 has connected me to other science engagers who are equally finding solutions to challenges in their communities, and it's encouraging.

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## **My Berlin experience**

### **Falling Walls Lab Ghana Winner**

During my stay in Berlin, I got the opportunity to make some really influential networks which can help me



when the need arises in respect to my start-up. My project has an increased chance to expand to other Africa countries since I now have some contacts from countries like Togo, Senegal, ivory coast, Rwanda etc.

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### Alumni Spotlight

#### Meet Victoria Dautey

Studying in Germany was a great experience! It exposed me to so much. My MBA class had 22 students from 15 countries. This was an opportunity to interact with people from different cultures. During the master's program, I had the opportunity to travel to Holland for a social entrepreneurship course and had the chance to work with people from all over the EU.

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### DAAD Ghana Events

#### 2022 First Quarter

Register and be part of one of our events like our LIVE online university presentations, pre-departure orientation (an event for students applying for student visa), higher education fairs around the country and others.

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### Save the date

#### Virtual Fair

February 2nd 2022

Study in Germany Virtual Fair!

Are you interested in studying in Germany? Chat with University representatives and the DAAD. They are happy to answer your questions.

Listen to International students, who will share their Germany experiences with you.

We are looking forward to meet you!

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