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### Dear Reader,

welcome to the first edition of the DAAD Ghana Newsletter for the year 2017. Since last month, the German Academic Exchange Service has started awarding scholarships to its various selected programmes, namely the Helmut-Schmidt scholarship programme and the Development-Related Postgraduate Courses (EPOS) and we are happy to announce that this year, 7 Ghanaians were awarded a scholarship to the Helmut-Schmidt programme to undertake a Master's degree in Public Policy and Good Governance. This is the biggest number of scholarship awards we have had for this programme so far. We would also like to mention that the individual research grant for PhD training in Germany; which is jointly supported by the DAAD and the Government of Ghana also awarded as many as 25 grants to PhD candidates who are teaching and/or research staff from tertiary and research institutions in Ghana. This is again the biggest number so far.

Know about DAAD and other funding programmes through <a href="https://www.funding-guide.de">www.funding-guide.de</a>.

Follow us on our <u>Facebook page</u> or keep in touch with our center via email through

info@daad-ghana.org. You can also subscribe to the DAAD Ghana Info-service. Just text #DAADGHANA to the short code 1942 on all networks.

Enjoy reading!!!

Best regards,



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Some Helmut-Schmidt Scholarhip holders during our Freshmen Session (Summer semester'2017) which was organised in February, 2017

### Study in Germany Webinars: interact live with German University representatives

The DAAD Ghana will organize webinars with German Universities on 11th and 12th May, 2017. These online seminars are a useful tool to reach a wide range of people who are interested in learning more about the study opportunities in Germany. This is also an opportunity for German Universities to introduce themselves and promote the various programmes they have on offer. Participants will have the opportunity to interact with University representatives and ask specific questions with regards to admission requirements and procedure as well as scholarship and job opportunities. You are welcome to take part in these Webinars to have information on study and scholarship opportunities at some specific Universities. Follow us on our Facebook page for updates or keep in touch with our center via email through info@daad-ghana.org.

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Boost your career! Apply now for the International MBA in CSR & NGO Management in Germany:

#### www.mba-ngo.com

Extended application deadline for non-EU members: 30th April.

### Learn more about Research-in-Germany

#### www.research-in-germany.org

Among other things, find out about Germany's Research Landscape, funding opportunities for your research (mostly for doctoral and post doc research), research areas, news and events etc.

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DAAD Scholarship Database

#### www.funding-guide.de

Search for DAAD funded programmes as well as scholarships from other German scholarship awarding Institutions.

DAAD Scholarship for Courses with Relevance to Developing Countries

Please visit: <a href="www.daad.de/pgc">www.daad.de/pgc</a> and go to 'Information for Students and Alumni' - click on Postgraduate Information and then Postgraduate courses. Please note, applications are made one year prior to commencement of scholarship.

### Alumniportal Deutschland

### www.alumniportal-deutschland.org

As a Germany trained alumnus/ alumna, you are welcome to join other Germany trained colleagues through this online community. Find jobs, follow-up on Blogs, join subject related groups etc.

### Falling walls Lab competition, Ghana

The DAAD Ghana office in cooperation with the Falling Walls Foundation and the Goethe -Institut Ghana will organize the 2nd edition of the Falling Walls Lab competition in Ghana on the 24th May, 2017. The Falling Walls Foundation (www.falling-walls.de) initiated the Falling Walls Lab which is a challenging and inspiring competition for outstanding students from all disciplines. It offers the opportunity to excellent academics and professionals to present their innovative ideas, research projects and social initiatives. Each participant is asked to present his/her work in 3 minutes. All disciplines are welcome: from agriculture, medicine, economics, engineering to the humanities. The competion that will take place in Ghana is a selection phase after which, a winner will be selected to represent Ghana and travel to Berlin to take part in the global Falling Walls Lab Finale organized by the FWF which brings together all winners of international Labs.



Mr. Dickson Adjei, Winner of Falling Walls Lab Ghana during presenting at the main Fall Walls Lab in Berlin, November 2016

Last year, Mr Dickson Adjei University of Mines and Technology, Tarkwa broke the Wall of Mercury Pollution: The Lantern Retort and was selected to represent Ghana in the final competion in Berlin, Germany.

We hope to receive a lot of applications this year and send an outstanding winner to Germany for the final competition.

Apply now! Use the link:

http://falling-walls.com/lab/apply

Select 'Falling Walls Lab Ghana'.

Application deadline is **1st May, 2017**.

Winner wins a scholarship and a trip to participate in the Falling Walls Lab finale in Berlin in November, 2017.

### Helmut Schmidt Scholarship programme

This programme offers the chance to acquire a Master's degree in Master programmes of particular relevance for the social, political and economic development in the students' countries of origin. In the light of the principles of Good Governance, highly qualified graduates with a first academic degree are being educated in political science, law, economics and administration and prepared for future leading positions in their home countries. Very well qualified graduates (with at least a Bachelors degree) who in future want to actively contribute to the social and economic development of their home countries are welcome to apply. The scholarships are for both young graduates without professional experience and mid-career professionals. One applies for the scholarschip and admission one year prior to commencement of the programme. Please note that the application has to be sent directly to the respective university and not throught the DAAD regional office.

Please visit <u>www.funding-guide.de</u> and type in the keyword: 'PPGG' for more information about the programme. Watch out for the call for application in April on our <u>Facebook page</u>.

### Courses with relevance to developing countries

With its development-oriented postgraduate study programmes, the DAAD promotes the training of specialists from development and newly industrialised countries. Well-trained local experts, who are well connected with international partners, play an important part in the sustainable development of their countries. They are the best guarantee for a better future with less poverty, more education and health for all. The scholarships offer foreign graduates from development and newly industrialised countries from all disciplines and with at least two years' professional experience the chance to take a postgraduate degree at a state or state-recognised German

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university, and in exceptional cases to take a doctoral degree, and to obtain a university qualification (Master's/PhD) in Germany.

The basic requirements are:

- At least 2 years of professional experience (including national service)
- Bachelors degree (at least 2nd Class upper)
- Most recent degree should not be over 6 years ago.

One applies for the scholarschip and admission one year prior to commencement of the programme. Please note that the application has to be sent directly to the respective university and not throught the DAAD regional office.

To get an overview of the scholarship programmes available, kindly visit <a href="www.funding-guide.de">www.funding-guide.de</a> and type in the keyword 'EPOS'.

## International MBA in CSR & NGO Management in Germany



The MBA program at the Bonn -Rhein-Sieg University is tailored to internationally oriented professionals who aim to further their management

skills, especially in the areas of Corporate Social Responsibility and Non-Governmental Organisation Management. Join this Master's program taught exclusively in English and at weekends. This programme offers a part-time and full-time option. To apply, visit:

www.mba-ngo.com

Application deadline: 30th April, 2017.

### Welcome to our new Kulturweit Volunteer



Miriam Druba is the new Kulturweit-Volunteer of the DAAD Information Center Accra. She studies Social Anthropology and Geography at the University of Freiburg (Germany). Having studied in Germany, she is ever-ready to support foreign students who wish to

study in Germany from an insider's point of view.

Ms. Druba will be with the DAAD Information

Center Accra for the next six months. We wish
her a fruitful stay.

Consultation Hours for individual consultation for applicants who already have admission to a German university or have the participatory Note from the Introductory Session:

### **Opening hours:**

Mondays 15:30–18:30h (Goethe Institut) Thursdays 09.00–11.00h (Goethe Institut) Fridays 14:30–18:30h (Goethe Institut)

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