



Funding opportunities of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

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The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) is ...

A self-governing organisation of German universities:

- 239 member universities
- 121 student bodies

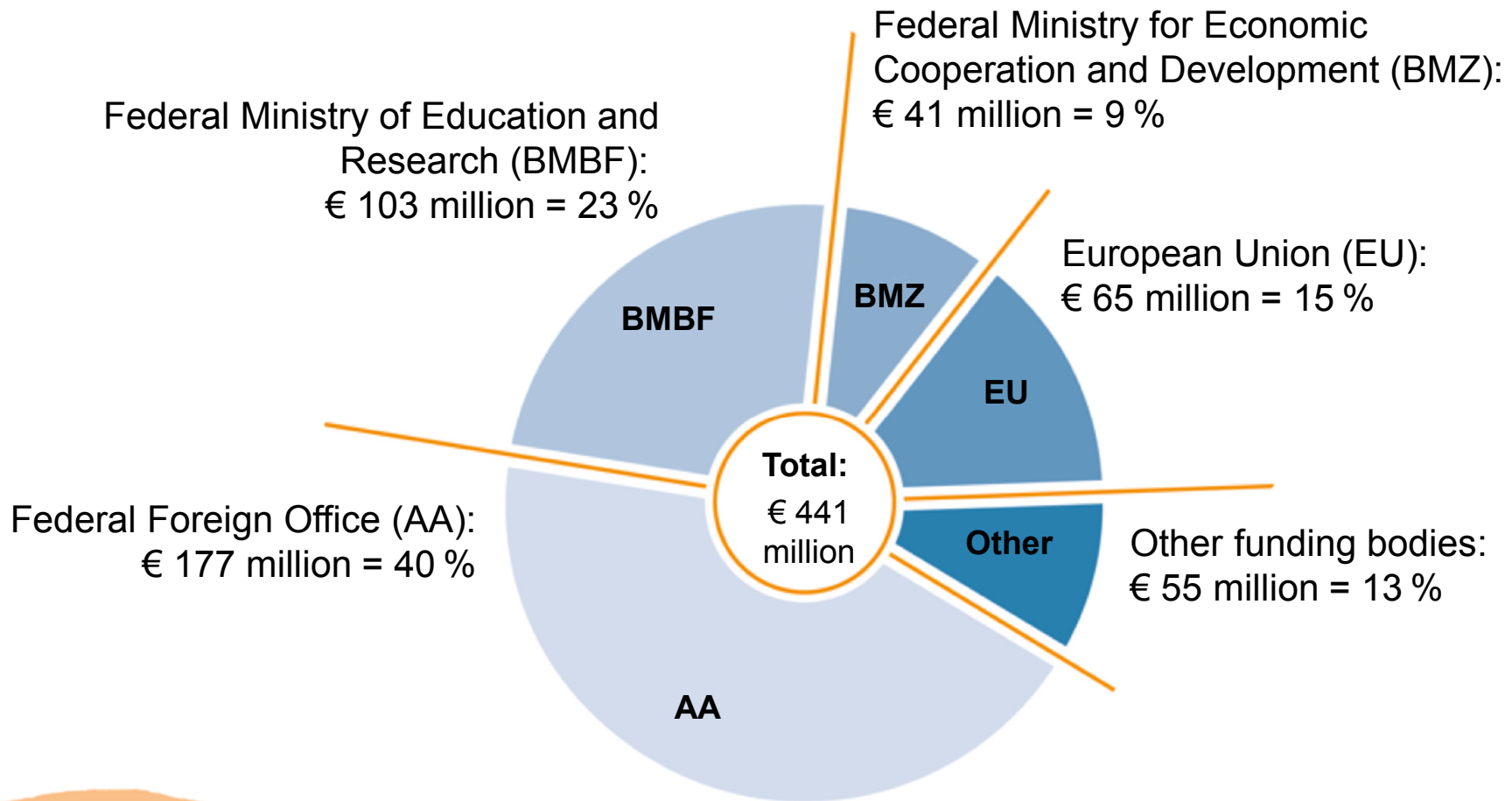


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Budget 2014



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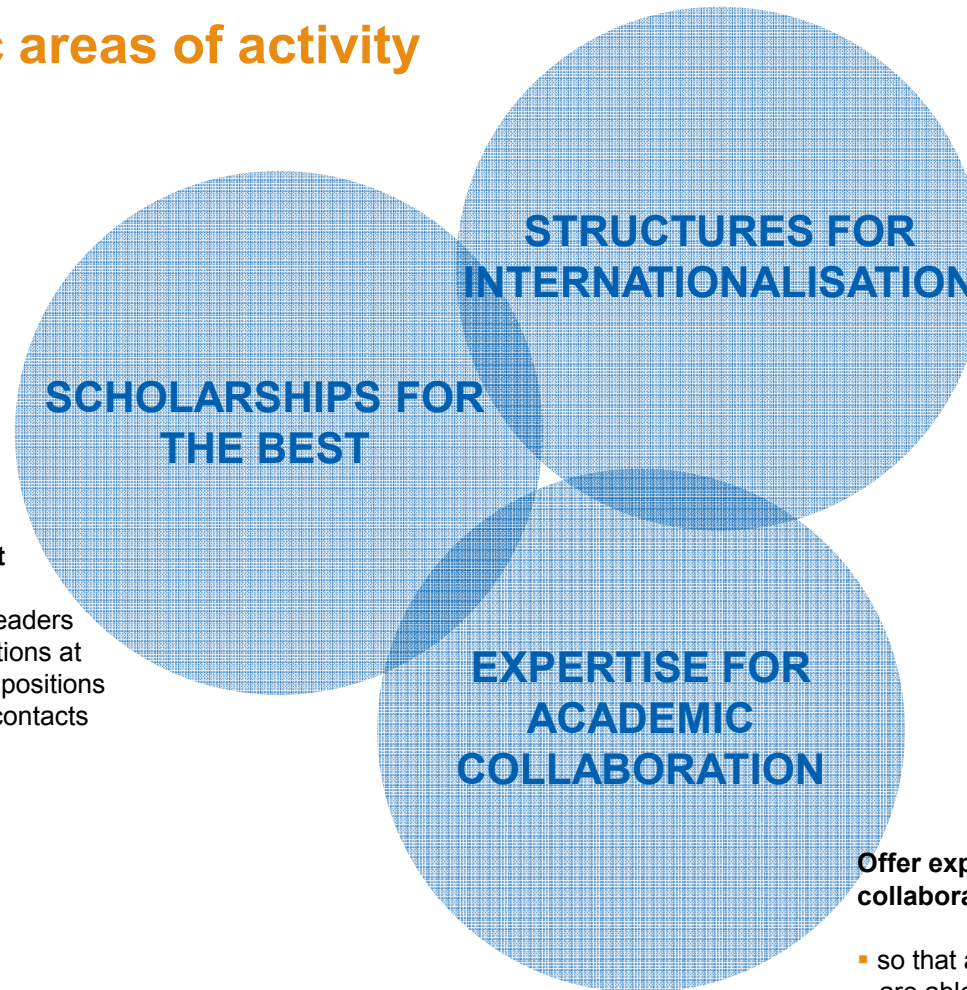


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Goals and tasks of the DAAD

Three strategic areas of activity



Grant scholarships to the best

- so that the professionals and leaders of tomorrow can gain qualifications at the best locations, prepare for positions of responsibility and cultivate contacts throughout the world.

Create structures that promote internationalisation

- so that higher education institutions can improve the quality of research and instruction and address the challenges of the future with strong partners.
- so that more people can cross borders and achieve success in study and research.
- so that German remains an important language of culture and scholarship.
- so that higher education institutions may contribute to development and build bridges to surmount conflicts.

Offer expertise for academic collaboration

- so that academic and political leaders are able to make well-informed policy decisions.



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Regional Offices and Information Centres



- Regional Offices
- Information Centres (ICs)

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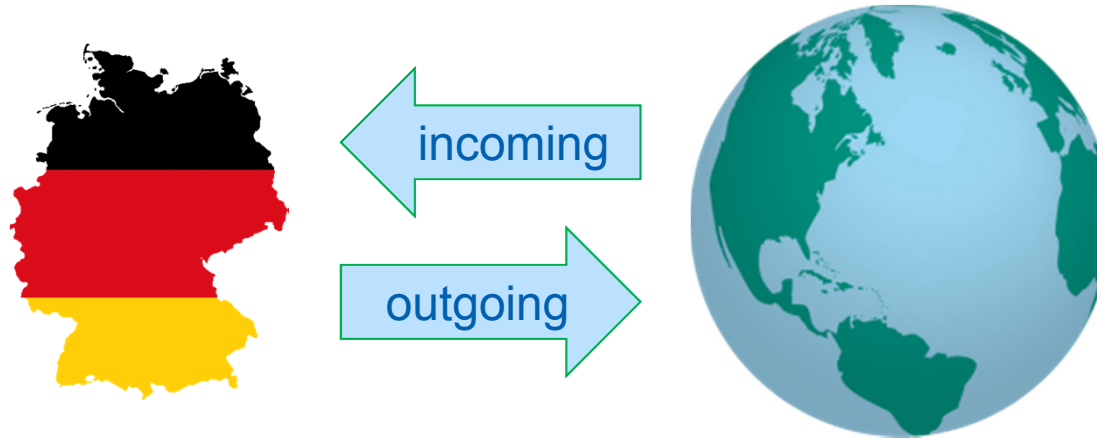
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Programmes for Foreigners



Programmes for Germans



Ph.D. short- and long-term research fellowships



- **Open to all disciplines:**
 - Studies in libraries/archives
 - Experiments
 - Field work

- **Duration:**

- 1-6 months (short-term), no extension
- 7 months – 1 year (long-term), extension possible

- **Host:** university, non-university research institution, industry laboratory

- **Destinations:** open to all countries, research stays in several countries may be combined in one application

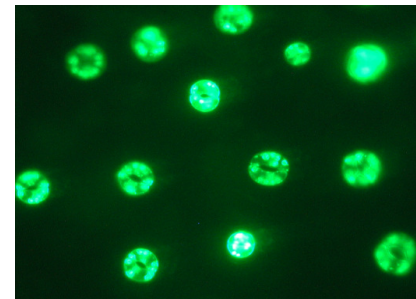
„Darüber hinaus können sich auch nichtdeutsche Studierende und Hochschulabsolventen bewerben, wenn sie in einem Studiengang an einer deutschen Hochschule eingeschrieben sind mit dem Ziel, den Abschluss an der deutschen Hochschule zu erreichen, **oder wenn sie an einer deutschen Hochschule promovieren.**“

Postdoc Research Fellowships



Goal: further academic qualification

- Open to all disciplines
- Open to all destinations
- *Research stays in several countries may be combined within one application*
- short- and long-term fellowships for German early-career scientists holding a Ph.D.
- pursuit of independent research project at a research institution of your choice



Postdoc Research Fellowships – DAAD support



■ Financial support

- basic scholarship rate: € 1,365 (<=30 years), € 1,416 (>30 years)
- Expatriate allowance, buying rate differential
- Allowance for partner + children/childcare
- Travel allowance
- Research allowance
- Support for re-integration after research stay abroad

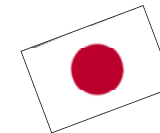
■ USA

- <= 30 years
- | | |
|----------------------|----------------|
| basic rate | € 1,365 |
| expatriate allowance | € 1,147 |
| buying rate diff. | € 0 |
| total: | € 2,512 |



■ Japan

- > 30 years, one child
- | | |
|----------------------|----------------|
| basic rate | € 1,416 |
| expatriate allowance | € 1,927 |
| child support | € 400 |
| buying rate diff. | € 536 |
| total: | € 4,340 |



Rates are adjusted regularly

Postdoc Research Fellowships – Family Allowances



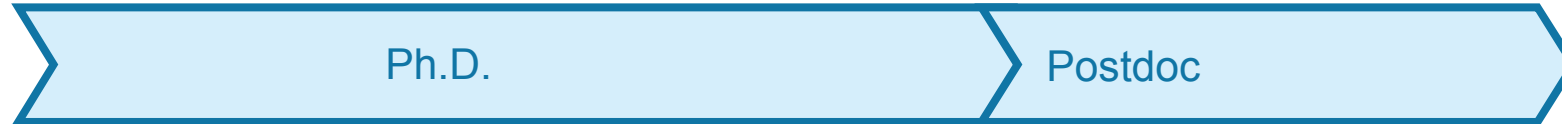
Child allowance for kids under 12 (400 Euro per month for the first child and 100 Euro per month for any additional child).

If the scholar is accompanied by his/her child:

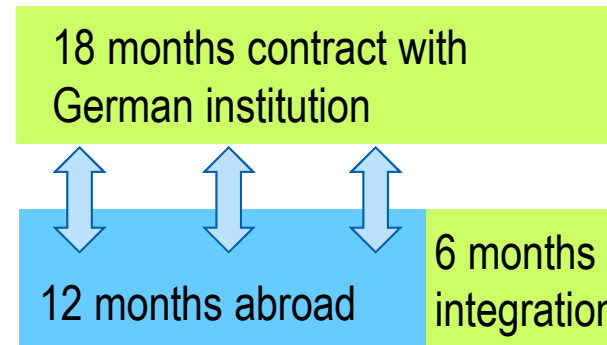
- Extension of the funding period for up to 100 % (maximum extension 12 months)
or:
- Coverage of the monthly costs for child care up to the basic scholarship rate. *Combinations are possible!*

Relocation allowance for the return to Germany at the end of the scholarship.

P.R.I.M.E. – Postdoctoral Researchers International Mobility Experience



All nationalities
All destinations
All disciplines



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Selection Criteria P.R.I.M.E.

1. Achievements to date:

- academic performance, grades, study duration, number and quality of publications;

- other achievements; overall impression of the applicant in consideration; transnational mobility; intersectoral mobility; social commitment; unavoidable delays in academic development.

2. Project quality and long-term career perspectives:

- research project;
- planned implementation(time and work schedule); suitability of the German/foreign host institution and the support provided there; suitability of the foreign host institution and the support provided there.

Postdoc Research Funding – Application deadlines

- **Application for short-term fellowships (3 to 6 months):**
Anytime (expect at least three months for the selection process)

- **Application for long-term fellowships (7 to 24 months):**

<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Selection</u>	<u>Starting date</u>
15 November	February	April
15 June	October	December

- **Application for P.R.I.M.E. Scholarships (may be different next year)**

<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Selection</u>	<u>Starting date</u>
01 February	June	September

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Funding of Congress Participation and Scientific Talks Abroad



- Who?**
- The program is open to Ph.D. students, postdocs, faculty/senior scientists, emeriti
- Where?**
- Travel abroad to international conferences or lectures upon invitation
- What?**
- Travel allowances, depending on country
 - daily allowance for board and accomodation
 - conference fees (earlybird-rate)
- Preconditions?**
- active participation
 - lecture or poster-session
- Application?**
- *No later than 4 months before conference starts*
 - *No later than 1 month prior to departure for lectures upon invitation*



Funding of Congress Participation and Scientific Talks Abroad



- Duration:**
- maximum of eight conference days
 - maximum of ten days in case of invited lecturers
- Eligibility:**
- junior researchers: every 12 months
 - senior researchers: every 24 months
- Numbers:**
- applications: ~ 5,000 per year
 - approved: ~ 2,500
 - ratio: 1:2

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Goal: increase interest among computer scientists in a scientific career and international collaboration

Programme supports research stays abroad:

■ **Master/Ph.D. students**

- short-term scholarships, 1-6 months
- worldwide: universities, non-university research institutions, industry laboratories
- no tuition fees covered

■ **Postdocs**

- short- and long-term scholarships, 3-24 months
- Berkeley (ICSI) or Tokyo (NII)
- special support for re-integration



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RISE – Research Internships in Science and Engineering



Goal: Promote the exchange of students from North America and Great Britain to Germany in the fields of natural science, engineering and life sciences

- **Application:** Ph.D. candidates can apply for funds for a foreign research assistant (undergrad. student)
- database open until **Nov. 30**
- **Duration:** short-term research stays (2-3 months)



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Exchange Involving Projects - PPP (Programm zum Projektbezogenen Personenaustausch)



Goal: Intensify cooperation between international and German research groups

■ Programme:

- for universities and non-university research institutions
- bilateral programme with 29 partner countries

■ Disciplines:

- varies, depending on specific programme agreement

■ Eligibility:

- Research groups: postdocs, senior scientists, professors apply for their institution



Exchange Involving Projects - PPP (Programm zum Projektbezogenen Personenaustausch)



■ Funding:

- M.A./Ph.D. students, Postdocs, Senior Scientists
- Special emphasis lies on the support of young scholars, i.e. graduate students working on their thesis, Ph.D. students and postdocs

■ Duration:

- total: usually up to 2 years with possible extension for a third year (depending on the country)
- per stay: usually 1 month, with some exceptions

■ Remark:

- funding for project itself must be guaranteed by other sources

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International experience in teaching

„Kurzzzeitdozentur“

1-6 months, Co-financing by foreign university
Application with DAAD Bonn



Visiting faculty

One months to 4 years
Payment according to German salary structure
Application and co-financing by German university,



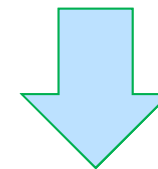
Goal: Help German academics abroad return to a professional career in Germany

■ Target group

- Ph.D. students, postdocs, senior scientists

■ Two types of funding

- Travel grants for job interviews and lectures
- return scholarships (up to 6 months) to re-enter the German research landscape



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Research Fellowships – Selection Criteria



- **Academic qualification**
- **Publications**
- **Project (scientific quality, realistic planning, feasibility)**
- **The „Fit“ (project, institution, career plans)**
- **personality, extra-curricular activities**



Frequent criticisms from reviewers in the P.R.I.M.E. program (www.daad.de/prime)

- There is a whole suite of **literature** the candidate has ignored.
- The **timescale** for the project strikes me as unrealistic.
- Candidate's **previous publications** not very visible.
- Clearer description and justification of the **methodological procedure** and research design.
- **Time planning** close to impossible.
- Very unclear **design of the experiments**.
- Very descriptive project that is not **hypothesis** driven.

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- Project is a **continuation of the PhD thesis**, i.e. a broadening of the field is missing.
- The candidate should have made an attempt to explain better how his **previous experience** equips him for this project ...
- **Contingency plan**. There isn't one. What happens if things don't go as expected?
- **Training opportunities**. It is not explicitly stated what new knowledge and experience the candidate will obtain.
- Timeline for **ethics approval** is not included.



Additional issues raised in the selection committee meeting



- **Curriculum vitae**
- **Research project**
- **Invitation by foreign host**
- **Letters of reference by German faculty**
- **Publication list**





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Thank you for your attention.

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