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# INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES

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# Master's degree



# MSc Renewable Energy & Energy Efficiency MENA (REMENA)

University of Kassel • Kassel











# Overview

Degree	Double degree programme with: - MSc degree from the University of Kassel and - MSc degree from Cairo University or - MSc degree from the University of Kassel and - MSc degree from University of Monastir
In cooperation with	Cairo University, Faculty of Engineering, in Egypt, and University of Monastir, Energy Engineering School, in Tunisia. Additionally, an exchange semester with the University of Sfax, Engineering School, in Tunisia, or the German University in Cairo, Egypt, for jointly supervised Master's theses and/or participation in modules on current topics of renewable energy and energy efficiency (REEE) is also possible. Please visit the REMENA website for details.
Teaching language	• English
Languages	English (100%)
Full-time / part-time	• full-time
Programme duration	4 semesters
Beginning	Winter and summer semester
Application deadline	<ul> <li>15 July for the following winter semester, i.e. start of studies in September in Cairo, Egypt or in Monastir, Tunisia</li> <li>Application deadline with a degree earned in Germany: 15 July</li> <li>15 January for the following summer semester, i.e. start of studies in March in Kassel, Germany</li> <li>Application deadline for applicants with a degree earned in Germany: 15 January</li> </ul> Please visit our website for up-to-date deadlines!

Additional information on tuition fees	The tuition fees amount to 10,000 EUR for the whole programme. Payment of 2,500 EUR prior to each semester
Combined Master's degree / PhD programme	No
Joint degree / double degree programme	Yes
Description/content	REMENA is an English-language double degree MSc programme of the University of Kassel (UKAS) in Germany, the Cairo University (CU) in Egypt, and the University of Monastir (UM) in Tunisia. Additional modules on current topics dealing with REEE were implemented in the 2020 summer semester (from March) at the University of Sfax (US) in Tunisia and in the 2021 winter semester (from September) at the German University in Cairo (GUC) in Egypt. ERASMUS+ funding is feasible under certain conditions. Common supervision of Master's thesis projects at US and the GUC is also possible. Further details are published on the REMENA website. The programme aims at building capacities to foster the development of renewable energy and energy efficiency concepts, markets and technologies in the MENA region. Students become familiar with institutions and cultures in the Arab and German regions and receive first-hand advice from high-level professionals and experts in the energy sector. In addition to the usual technical topics, REMENA focuses on economic, ecological and regulatory policy dimensions of the energy sector. National and international energy and climate policies are treated together with energy-management legislation, intercultural and language aspects. Students holding a Bachelor's degree in social or natural sciences, economics, or engineering can apply to REMENA. The programme is open to all nationalities. The REMENA double degree is granted by either UKAS and CU or UKAS and UM, respectively. The programme prepares the students to participate in international projects and leadership positions in the public and private energy sectors.

# **Course Details**

Course organisation	The programme can be started either in the summer semester in March in Kassel, Germany or in the winter semester in September in Cairo, Egypt or alternatively in Monastir, Tunisia.
	The overall duration of the programme is 24 months. Six months of studies will take place in Kassel and six months of studies will take place in Cairo and/or Monastir. If a student starts the programme in the summer semester, the third semester (summer) can be conducted as an exchange semester at the University of Sfax. If a student starts the programme in the winter semester, the third semester (winter) can be conducted as an exchange semester at the German University in Cairo. The last six months are reserved for the Master's thesis module in the MENA region, in Germany, or in another country. Please find detailed information about the six possible study modes on our website: https://www.unikims.de/remena.
A Diploma supplement will be issued	Yes
International elements	<ul> <li>Training in intercultural skills</li> <li>Content-related regional focus</li> </ul>

Course-specific, integrated German language courses	Yes
Course-specific, integrated English language courses	No

# Costs / Funding

Tuition fees per semester in EUR	2,500 EUR
Additional information on tuition fees	The tuition fees amount to 10,000 EUR for the whole programme. Payment of 2,500 EUR prior to each semester
Semester contribution	Mandatory registration fees allow students to use public transport free of charge and to eat at the university's refectories and cafeterias at reduced prices. The registration fee for the 2024 summer semester was approximately 340 EUR. Students in the double degree programme should be enrolled at both universities for the full duration of their studies.
Costs of living	In order to cover personal expenses while studying in Kassel, it is recommended that students budget around 750 to 900 EUR per month for accommodation, food, health insurance, books, and miscellaneous expenses.
Funding opportunities within the university	Νο

# **Requirements / Registration**

Academic admission requirements	Minimum requirements are:
	<ul> <li>a Bachelor's degree in engineering, natural sciences, economics, or social sciences</li> <li>one year of work experience in a field related to the REMENA study focus</li> <li>high motivation</li> <li>fluency in English (see below)</li> </ul>
	Prospective applicants to the REMENA Master's programme are required to: 1) have successfully completed a German seven-semester Bachelor's programme in mathematics, computer science, natural sciences or engineering or hold an equivalent degree with a minimal average mark of "good" (2.5, German grading system) or a corresponding international degree; or 2) have successfully completed a German seven-semester Bachelor's programme in law, business sciences/economics or social sciences with a minimal average mark of "good" (2.5, German grading system) and have successfully passed modules of at least 10 credits in the field of mathematics, natural or engineering sciences, or hold an equivalent international degree; or 3) provide proof of a completed six-semester Bachelor's or equivalent diploma degree or degree equivalent to 1) and 2), and to pass additional module examinations to be stipulated by the board of examiners of at least 30 credits by the time of announcement of the topics of the Master's thesis.
Language requirements	Applicants must provide evidence of very good knowledge of the English language to the level of B2 according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages CEFR. This evidence is waived for those applicants with English as the mother tongue, or who have completed previous studies that were completely conducted in English. Applicants who opt for the double-degree with

	Cairo University will have to present TOEFL/IELTS test results or results from an equivalent test before registering for the Master's thesis.
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Submit application to	Please apply online via https://www.unikims.de/studiengaenge/remena/application!

# Services

Possibility of finding part- time employment	Students can apply for various part-time jobs or work as student assistants on campus. Please have a look at www.uni-kassel.de. Some departments also provide positions as tutors or working students.
Accommodation	International students enrolled at the University of Kassel can choose between staying at a student residence hall ("Wohnheim") or private accommodation. There are about 1,000 rooms available in the student residencies around the campus. Please have a look at https://www.studierendenwerk-kassel.de/en/wohnen/. Rent for a room varies between 200 and 350 EUR per month depending on the location and facilities. Students can choose single apartments with en-suite facilities or a shared flat with fellow students. Private furnished or unfurnished accommodation in Kassel is also available and can be found in the local paper, on flyers on campus, or on the Internet (e.g. social media).
Career advisory service	www.uni-kassel.de/career
Support for international students and doctoral candidates	• Tutors



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# Sara El Mergawy

Engineering, innovation, and intercultural communication skills – the REMENA programme made me gain a deeper vision of sustainability.

### **Our Partners**



# University of Kassel

The University of Kassel, founded in 1971, is characterised by a multi-layered competence network focused on nature, technology, art, and society. The university, with its ten faculties and its School of Art and Design, has committed itself to international cooperation and interdisciplinary research. It hosts 3,000 international students from over 130 countries among its 25,500 students. Approximately 300 professors teach and research in the fields of engineering, natural sciences, and mathematics as well as the humanities, human sciences, environmental engineering, informatics, and arts.

The faculties are located on the main campus (Holländischer Platz) and on other campuses (Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences at Heinrich-Plett-Straße, Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science at Wilhelmshöher Allee, Kassel School of Art and Design at the Karlsaue Park, Institute of Sports and Sports Science at the Aueparkhalle, and the "Murhardsche" Library at Brüder-Grimm-Platz). The Faculty of Organic Agricultural Sciences can be found in the nearby village of Witzenhausen.

Internationally orientated, short-term study courses as well as English-taught Bachelor's and Master's programmes make the university an attractive place to study and do research. International partnerships at home and abroad strengthen its position in the area of national and international higher education.

The university also provides a wide range of leisure-time activities such as sport facilities, cultural activities, international meetings, and social events.

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### University location

Kassel, with approx. 200,000 inhabitants, is located at the centre of Germany, close to the Fulda River. The city offers rich cultural and economic diversity. Opera and theatres, concerts, open-air-events, famous art museums, and castles enrich the capital of the German "Fairytale Route". Every five years, the world-famous "documenta" contemporary art exhibition turns Kassel into a cosmopolitan city. There are many parks and forests in Kassel and its surroundings where you can relax in the open air or be active. The "Bergpark Wilhelmshöhe", Europe's largest mountainside park, is the most famous sight in Kassel. In 2013, the park and its water cascades became a UNESCO World Culture Heritage Site. An excellent highway and railway infrastructure provides you with the means to explore other German and European cities in a fast and easy way (e.g. three hours to Berlin, Hamburg, or Munich).

Witzenhausen — where the Faculty of Organic Agricultural Sciences is located — is a small, typical Hessian town, some 35 km from Kassel. Approx. 1,000 students live and work here. Historic, half-timbered houses lend a unique charm to the small town, which is famous for its

cherry orchards in the surrounding areas. The annual spring cherry blossom celebration is a highlight for both young and old.

# Contact

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