

German-Pakistani Research Cooperations

New applications 2020–2021

Extensions 2020

Goal and purpose

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) supports the “German-Pakistani Research Cooperation” programme using funding from the Federal Foreign Office (Auswärtiges Amt, AA).

Since 2004, the DAAD has managed an extensive government scholarship programme with Pakistan, based on an agreement with the Higher Education Commission (HEC) in Pakistan. In recent years, more than 300 young Pakistani academics have completed their doctorates at a German university and now contribute their expertise in the teaching and research units of Pakistani higher education institutions.

The programme helps to permanently establish academic exchange between Pakistani alumni/alumnae (generally DAAD/HEC scholarship holders) and their host institutions in Germany through research projects at higher education institutions in Germany and Pakistan and contributes to current issues with regard to the economic, environmental and socio-economic development of Pakistan. The programme focuses on strengthening the position of young academics in Pakistan as the partner country. At the same time, the connection of alumni to Germany is reinforced.

Further objectives of the programme are

- to offer young academics in Pakistan additional qualifications by means of professional development courses and specialisation;
- to improve research in selected fields in Pakistan with a direct impact on teaching.

Eligible measures

- Study and research visits in Germany (up to 6 months)
- Field exploration work in Pakistan
- Participation in joint specialist events for conducting series of experiments in Germany and Pakistan
- Conducting of subject-related academic events (conferences, seminars and workshops) in Germany and Pakistan

Grant expenditure eligible

See Appendix 1

Type of financing

Funding will be provided as full financing.

Funding period

New applications:

The funding period begins on 01/01/2020 at the earliest and ends on 31/12/2021 at the latest.

Extension applications:

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Grant level

New applications:

The DAAD grant is generally limited to a maximum of 80,000 euros.
2020: 40,000 euros
2021: 40,000 euros

Extension applications:

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Subject area(s)	<p>The specialist focus is on</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • water resource management; • renewable energies and energy efficiency; • agricultural sciences; • social sciences. <p>Support is also available for research projects in other fields subject to submission of convincing concepts that promise sustainable effects to be derived from the research cooperation between Pakistan and Germany.</p>
Target group	<p>German and Pakistani teaching staff, academics holding a PhD, doctoral candidates and graduates.</p>
Eligible applicants	<p>State or state-approved German higher education institutions represented by their departments, faculties and institutes as well as German research institutes are eligible to apply.</p>
Submission of applications	<p>The application for project funding must be completed in full and submitted by the stipulated deadline exclusively via the DAAD portal (https://portal.daad.de/irj/portal).</p> <p>Applicants are particularly recommended to seek guidance from the DAAD prior to submitting the application documents.</p>
Application requirements	<p>The requirement is that the institution is already involved in cooperation programmes with higher education institutions in Pakistan and/or intends to establish such cooperation programmes in the near future.</p> <p><u>Application documents relevant for selection</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project application (in DAAD portal) • Financing plan (in DAAD portal) (detailed calculation of expenditure) • New applications: Project description co-developed by the Pakistani partner, written in English and signed by the German and Pakistani project managers (see Appendix 2a) (appendix type: project description) • Project description (short version) (appendix type: project description) • Extension application: Project description (see Appendix 2b) (appendix type: project description) • Signed partnership agreement (e.g. “Letter of Intent” or “Memorandum of Understanding” (MoU) between the participating higher education institutions (appendix type: contracts/agreements) • Endorsement from the German university administration (see Appendix 3) (appendix type: programme-specific appendices) • Proof of the alumni status of the project partner in Pakistan (e.g. proof of scholarship) (appendix type: programme-specific appendices) <p>If cooperation documents relevant for selection (e.g. cooperation agreement (Memorandum of Understanding), endorsement from the German university administration, collaboration agreement, Letter of Intent) are not available by the deadline, the project manager should submit at least a written justification by the application deadline.</p> <p>The above-mentioned application documents relevant for selection (mandatory documents) must be named in accordance with the specifications and submitted by the deadline in the form of the specified appendix type.</p> <p>After the application deadline, the DAAD will neither request any further documents nor take into account any additionally supplied documents or changes,</p>

	including in the financing plan, with the exception of the short description. Incomplete applications will be excluded from the selection procedure.
Application deadline	The application deadline is 30 August 2019.
Selection procedure	<p>Selection of applications for project funding</p> <p>A selection committee composed of academic experts with the relevant experience in the cooperation with developing countries will be appointed by the DAAD to decide on the applications for project funding.</p> <p>The selection criteria are</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • academic quality of the project (in particular, clarity of project objectives and methods); • scientific status of the project (topicality and degree of innovation); • relevance to development policy; • project-relevant competence of the two research groups; • involvement of young Pakistani academics trained in Germany; • feasibility of the research project (with regard to time dimension).
Scholarship selection procedure	<p>Selection of funded individuals</p> <p>A selection committee appointed by the grant recipient decides on the scholarship applications.</p> <p>The selection procedure has to be presented in the project description.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public announcement of the scholarship offer • Composition of the selection committee (e.g. DAAD, grant recipient, number of committee members) • Selection criteria (e.g. selection of best applicants, academic or personal aptitude etc.) • Awarding of scholarship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ via scholarship agreement (e.g. “letter of award” and “declaration of acceptance”) ➢ provision of a scholarship certificate (here: naming of DAAD and funding body and precise description of scholarship benefits and their amount (e.g. living allowance and mobility lump sums, tuition fees, etc.))
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Appendices	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grant expenditure eligible 2020–21 2. a) Project description for Research Cooperations 2020/21 new application b) Project description for Research Cooperations 2020 extension 3. Endorsement from the German university administration 4. Short description (short version)

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