

German-Iraqi Academic Partnerships

2020–2021

Extensions 2020

Goal and purpose

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) supports the “German-Iraqi Academic Partnerships” programme using funding from the Federal Foreign Office (Auswärtiges Amt, AA). The aim of the programme is to support the development and expansion of the higher education landscape in Iraq. It contributes to promoting sustainable structures at the partner universities through German-Iraqi university partnerships. The focus is on improving and developing teaching in the partner country and on intensifying academic contact between German and Iraqi higher education institutions.

The intention is to develop and expand long-term partnerships with one or more Iraqi higher education institutions. This includes

- (further) qualifying Iraqi university lecturers in teaching and research;
- advancing university management in Iraq;
- modernising higher education in Iraq (e.g. by jointly developing new curricula, by introducing new teaching methodology and by linking teaching and research);
- providing targeted support for young academics at partner universities;
- further developing networks between German and Iraqi higher education institutions.

Eligible measures

- Study and research visits
- Guest visits by German university teachers and research associates from a German higher education institution or research institute for teaching, study visits and research, project coordination and participation in expert conferences within the scope of the programme in Iraq, Turkey, Jordan or Iran
- Guest visits by Iraqi university teachers and research associates from Iraqi higher education institutions for teaching, study visits and research, project coordination and participation in expert conferences within the scope of the programme in Germany, Turkey, Jordan or Iran
- Participation of German and Iraqi scholarship holders in conferences, seminars, workshops, network meetings and special courses in Germany and Iraq as well as in Turkey, Jordan and Iran

The measures may take place in Turkey, Jordan and Iran if this is not possible in Iraq.

The following cannot be funded:

- Projects aimed exclusively at research cooperation
- Projects already receiving funding from other sources (e.g. DFG, BMZ, GIZ) and/or the DAAD
- Representational trips without relevance to the particular subject

Grant expenditure eligible

See Appendix 1

Type of financing

Funding will be provided as full financing.

Funding period

The funding period begins on 01/01/2020 and ends on 31/12/2021.

Extensions:

The funding period for applications to extend projects already funded from 01/01/2018 to 31/12/2019 begins on 01/01/2020 and ends on 31/12/2020.

Grant level	<p>The DAAD grant is generally limited to a maximum of 200,000 euros per budget year. 2020: 100,000 euros 2021: 100,000 euros</p> <p><u>Extensions:</u> The DAAD grant for extensions is generally limited to a maximum of 100,000 euros.</p>
Subject area(s)	The programme is open to all subject areas.
Target group	German and Iraqi bachelor and master students, doctoral candidates, academics, lecturers, assistants, etc. with a master's degree or equivalent, academics holding a PhD, professors and experts.
Eligible applicants	State or state-approved German higher education institutions and/or research institutes are eligible to apply.
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 recommended to seek guidance prior to submitting the application documents.</p>
Application requirements	<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) • Project description (see Appendix 2) (appendix type: project description) • Project description (short version), see Appendix 3 (appendix type: project description) <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, including in the financing plan, with the exception of the short description. Incomplete applications will be excluded from the selection procedure.</p> <p><u>Application documents relevant to the contract</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copy of the cooperation agreement (Memorandum of Understanding – MoU) between the higher education institutions involved (appendix type: contracts/agreements) • Endorsement from the German university administration, see Appendix 4 (programme-specific appendices) <p>If documents relevant to the contract are not available by the deadline, the project manager should at least submit a written justification by the application deadline. These documents must be submitted to the DAAD on request (if funding is granted) no later than before conclusion of the contract.</p>

Application deadline

The application deadline is 30 August 2019.

Selection procedure**Selection of applications for project funding**

A selection committee appointed by the DAAD will decide on the applications for project funding.

The selection criteria are

- academic quality of the project;
- special consideration of students, young academics and lecturers in the cooperation;
- proof of a clear interest in cooperation from the Iraqi side;
- a specialist need in the partner country;
- explanation of the project's feasibility in light of the security situation in Iraq.

Scholarship selection procedure**Selection of funded individuals**

A selection committee appointed by the grant recipient decides on the scholarship applications.

The selection procedure has to be presented in the project description.

- 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
 - 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.))

The outcome of the selection procedure must be documented.

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Appendices

1. Grant expenditure eligible and funding rates
2. Project description
3. Project description (short version)
4. Endorsement from the German university administration

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