German–Iraqi Academic Partnerships

German–Iraqi Academic Partnerships new applications 2021–2022

Extensions 2021

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) supports the German–Iraqi Academic Partnerships programme using funding from the Federal Foreign Office (Auswärtiges Amt, AA).

The programme helps to support 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 programme pursues the following objectives:

- develop and expand the Iraqi higher education landscape through long-term partnerships with one or more Iraqi higher education institutions;
- modernise higher education in Iraq (e.g. by jointly developing new curricula, introducing new teaching methods and linking teaching and research);
- (further) qualify Iraqi university lecturers in teaching and research;
- provide targeted support for young academics at the partner university/universities;
- further develop networks between German and Iraqi higher education institutions.

Measures eligible for funding include:

- travel and stays of academic personnel and university teachers from the applicant higher education institution and/or the research institute and from the partner higher education institution for the purpose of project coordination and also for the implementation of/participation in specialised events in Germany and in Iraq, Turkey, Jordan or Iran;
- short stays of students, graduates, doctoral candidates, academics/lecturersassistants holding a PhD and university teachers from the German side for teaching and research stays and for participation in specialist conferences, network meetings, events, special courses and/or further training in the field of e-learning in Iraq, Turkey, Jordan or Iran;
- short stays of students, graduates, doctoral candidates, academics/lecturersassistants holding a PhD and university teachers from the Iraqi side for teaching and research stays and for participation in specialist conferences, network meetings, events, special courses and/or further training in the field of e-learning in Germany, Turkey, Jordan or Iran;
- participation of Iraqi and German project participants in meetings, seminars, workshops, conferences, network meetings and/or special courses in Germany and Iraq as well as in Turkey, Jordan and Iran.

If it is not possible to implement measures in Iraq, they may also be implemented in Turkey, Jordan, Iran or safe third countries.

**The following cannot be funded:**

- Projects exclusively relating to 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

See Appendix “Grant expenditure eligible”
### Type of financing

Funding will be provided as full financing.

### Grant level

**New applications:**
The DAAD grant is generally limited to a maximum of 200,000 euros distributed across the budget years as follows:

- 2021: 100,000 euros
- 2022: 100,000 euros

**Extension applications:**
The DAAD grant is generally limited to a maximum of 100,000 euros.

### Subject area(s)

The programme is open to all subject areas.

### Target group

German and Iraqi students (BA and/or MA), doctoral candidates, postdocs, habilitation candidates, academics, professors and experts.

State or state-approved German higher education institutions represented by their departments/institutes and German research institutes are eligible for application.

### Eligible applicants

The application for project funding must be completed in full and submitted by the stipulated deadline exclusively via the DAAD portal ([www.mydaad.de](http://www.mydaad.de)).

Applicants are particularly recommended to seek guidance from the DAAD prior to submitting the application documents.

### Application requirements

**Application documents relevant for selection**

- Project application (in DAAD portal)
- Financing plan (in DAAD portal)
- Project description (see form template) (appendix type: project description)
- Endorsement from the German university administration (see form template) (appendix type: programme-specific appendices)
- Cooperation agreement (memorandum of understanding – MoU) signed by the higher education institutions involved (appendix type: contracts/agreements)

The application documents relevant for selection must be named in accordance with the guidelines and submitted by the deadline in the form of the specified appendix type.

If documents relevant for selection (e.g. cooperation agreement, letter of intent, memorandum of understanding, endorsement from the German university administration) are not available by the deadline, the project manager should submit at least a written justification by the application deadline.

No account will be taken of any documents submitted after the application deadline, nor any changes, including changes to the financing plan. Incomplete applications will be excluded from the selection procedure.
Application documents that may be submitted later

- 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 form template) (programme-specific appendices)

These documents must be provided by the time the contract is concluded at the latest.

The application deadline is 31 August 2020.

Selection of applications for project funding

Funding decisions are made by the DAAD based on the assessment of the applications by a selection committee.

The selection criteria are

- the high academic quality of the project (in particular, clarity of project objectives and methods);
- the (further) qualification of Iraqi university lecturers in teaching and research;
- the contribution to targeted support for young academics at the partner university/universities in Iraq;
- the modernisation of higher education in Iraq (curricula, quality assurance procedures, etc.);
- further developing networks between German and Iraqi higher education institutions;
- an explanation of the project’s feasibility in light of the security situation in Iraq.

Decisions on the selection of participants are made by a selection committee appointed by the grant recipient.

The selection procedure must be presented in the project description:

- Public announcement of the offer
- Composition of the selection committee (grant recipient, number of committee members)
- Selection criteria (e.g. selection of best applicants, academic or personal aptitude)

Participant selection procedure

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Appendices to the call for applications

- Information on mobility in the case of disability or chronic illness
- Project description
- Endorsement from the German university administration
- Substantive report

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