

German-Iraqi Academic Partnerships

New applications 2022-2023

Extensions 2022

Programme objectives

The German Academic Exchange Service (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst - DAAD) supports the programme 'German-Iraqi Academic Partnerships' using funds provided by the German Foreign Office (Auswärtiges Amt – AA).

Funding is available for measures to support the Iraqi higher education landscape, and to develop and reinforce sustainable structures at the partner university/universities through German-Iraqi higher education partnerships. The focus of the programme is to improve and expand education in the partner country, and to intensify academic networking among German and Iraqi higher education institutions.

The programme makes a long-term (impact) contribution to enabling qualified professionals to use their expertise in the partner countries, as well as contributing to an improved quality of education, structural strengthening of teaching activities at the participating partner universities, to a stabilisation of collaboration structures among the German and Iraqi universities and institutions involved. In addition, the programme also contributes to the sustainable development and establishment of high-performing cosmopolitan higher education institutions.

The following programme objectives (outcomes) are derived from these impacts:

Project objective 1 (outcome 1): Graduates have obtained inter-cultural, discipline-specific and language skills.

Project objective 2 (outcome 2): The teaching staff at the partner institutions uses the skills obtained in the context of the project in their in teaching activities.

Project objective 3 (outcome 3): The partner higher education institutions offer degree courses that suit the local context and reflect the latest developments in science.

Project objective 4 (outcome 4): Discipline-specific networks have been reinforced in the context of the higher education partnerships.

These programme objectives should be achieved by means of the following direct results of measures/activities (outputs):

- German and Iraqi students and doctoral candidates have obtained further qualifications.
- Lecturers at the partner higher education institutions have obtained further discipline-specific and didactic qualifications.
- Curricula/teaching modules that are appropriate to the local context and reflect the state of the art in science are jointly developed/advanced.
- Contacts between the participating higher education institutions and other institutions have been expanded.

The focus areas defined can vary from project to project. A project does not necessarily need to address all programme objectives. The wording of project objectives and ways to achieve objectives allow for some flexibility, but the project objectives must be in line with the programme objectives. The project objectives must be specified based on the programme's impact model. Measurable project objectives and results and related indicators must be specified. These must be outlined in the application and in the project planning summary. Regarding the instructions for impact-oriented project planning, the impact model and the list of indicators, please refer to **Attachment 1** 'Guide to Impact-oriented Monitoring'.

Eligible measures/ activities	<p>Funding is available primarily for measures/activities for promoting young academics and for establishing sustainable structures. Measures/activities eligible for funding (in line with the impact model) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Study stays for German and Iraqi students and doctoral candidates ▪ Further and advanced training for Iraqi students, doctoral candidates and teaching staff ▪ Project-related stays (including short stays by researchers and students, participation in seminars, workshops, conferences, summer and winter schools) ▪ Conception, implementation and participation of/in events. <p>Where measures cannot be implemented in Iraq, they may also take place in Turkey, Jordan, Iran or other safe third countries.</p> <p>Not eligible for funding are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects dedicated solely to research cooperation • Projects for which funding is already provided by other organisations (e.g. DFG, BMZ, GIZ) and/or the DAAD • Representational trips without academic interests
Expenditure eligible for funding	Please refer to the attachment 'Expenditure eligible for funding'
Type of financing	Funding takes the form of full financing.
Funding period	<p><u>New applications:</u> The funding period begins at the earliest on 01/01/2022 and ends at the latest on 31/12/2023.</p> <p><u>Applications for an extension:</u> The funding period begins at the earliest on 01/01/2022 and ends at the latest on 31/12/2022.</p>
Amount of funding	<p><u>New applications:</u> The DAAD grant is generally limited to a maximum of EUR 200,000, split into budget years as follows:</p> <p>2022: EUR 100,000 2023: EUR 100,000</p> <p><u>Applications for an extension:</u> The DAAD grant is generally limited to a maximum of EUR 100,000.</p>
Discipline(s)	The programme is open to all disciplines.
Target group	German and Iraqi students (BA and/or MA), doctoral candidates, postdocs, habilitation candidates, researchers, professors and discipline-specific experts.
Eligible applicants	Eligible applicants are officially recognised German higher education institutions and German non-university research facilities.
Application	The application for project funding including all relevant documents must be submitted by the deadline via the DAAD portal (www.mydaad.de).
Application requirements	<p><u>Application documents</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project application (in the DAAD portal) • Finance plan (in the DAAD portal)

- Project description, see **form template** (attachment type: project description)
- Project planning summary, see **form template** (attachment type: project description)
- Endorsement by German university management (see **form template**) (attachment type: programme-specific attachments)
- Cooperation agreement (Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)) signed by the higher education institutions involved (attachment type: contracts/agreements)

The application documents must be named according to the guidelines and submitted under the specified attachment type by the application deadline.

If any documents about the cooperation that are relevant to the selection (e.g. cooperation agreement, letter of intent, memorandum of understanding) are not available by the deadline, at least a written explanation by the project leader must be submitted by the deadline.

Further documents and amendments (including to the finance plan) submitted after the application deadline will not be considered. Incomplete applications will be excluded from the selection process.

Application documents that may be submitted later on

- Cooperation agreement (Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)) between the higher education institutions involved (attachment type: contracts/agreements)
- Endorsement by the management of the German higher education institution (see **form template**) (programme-specific attachments)

These documents must be submitted by the time the contract is concluded.

Application deadline

The application deadline is 31 August 2021.

Selection procedure

Selection of applications for project funding

An expert assessment of the applications will be carried out by a selection committee. This assessment serves as a decision-making basis for the DAAD.

Selection criteria

- Relationship of the project to the programme objectives (according to the impact model) and impact-oriented planning using indicators that meet the SMART criteria (20%)
- High academic quality of the project (20%)
- (Further) qualification of Iraqi lecturers in the areas of teaching and research (20%)
- Contribution to the promotion of young academics at the partner institution(s) in Iraq (20%)
- Modernisation of higher education in Iraq (curricula, quality assurance methods, etc.) (10%)
- Development of networks among German and Iraqi higher education institutions (10%)

Funded individuals – selection procedure

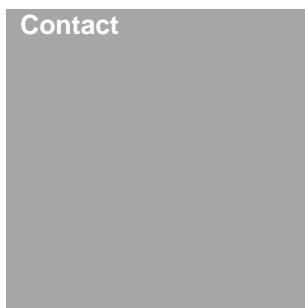
Selection of funded individuals

A selection committee appointed by the grant recipient will decide upon the applications.



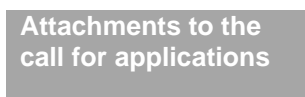
The selection procedure must be described in the project description.

- Public announcement of the scholarship offer
- Composition of the selection committee (e.g. DAAD, grant recipients, number of committee members)
- Selection criteria (e.g. selection of the best candidates, subject-specific or personal aptitude)

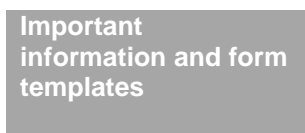


Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst
 German Academic Exchange Service
 Unit 24 – Cooperation projects in the Middle East, Asia, Africa and Latin America
 Kennedyallee 50
 53175 Bonn, Germany

Sabrina Frahm
 Email: frahm@daad.de
 Phone: +49 228 882 8634



1. Guide to Impact-oriented Monitoring
2. Expenditure eligible for funding
3. Fee table



- Mobility information for those with a disability or chronic illness
- Project description
- Project planning summary
- Endorsement by the German university management

Funded by:



Auswärtiges Amt