

PPP Programmes for Project-Related Personal Exchange (from 2018)

Promoting international mobility of researchers

What are the programme aims?

Through its PPP programmes DAAD supports joint bi-national research projects of a high academic standard in order to strengthen academic relations between a German institution and an institution abroad and to promote cooperative research activities. The provided project funding is intended to cover mobility costs for German participants¹ arising from the research project, and in particular to enable young academics involved in the project to conduct a research stay at the partner institution abroad, thereby supporting them in their international training. For the purposes of this programme, young academics are defined as junior researchers currently completing their doctorate and academics at the outset of their academic careers who completed their doctorate no more than five years ago. More information on the programme is available at www.daad.de/ppp.

The group of PPP programmes consists of currently 31 individual bilateral programmes based on agreements with foreign partner organisations or governments. DAAD receives funds to conduct this programme from the budget of the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung – BMBF). On the foreign side the programme is sponsored by the partner organisations listed from page 4 onwards.

Country-specific information (partner organisation, maximum funding amount, funded costs, application deadlines, contacts etc.) for the countries covered by the current call for applications can be found in **Appendix 1**.

A higher education institution may submit multiple applications for different partner countries. Applications that cover multiple countries are not permissible.

Who can apply?

Eligible to apply are German universities, higher education institutions and research institutions.

What is sponsored?

Sponsorship measures:

The project provides **funding allowances (Appendix 2)** for stays in the partner country arising in the course of project-based collaboration. The allowance covers all expenditures within the scope of mobility and the stay. Eligible for funding are short-term stays of academics (up to 30 days) and young academics (up to 50 days). On the German side, DAAD provides funding for members of the German research group for stays at the foreign partner institution if no other arrangement was made with the foreign partner institution.

(Appendix 1)

The funding allowances set at the time of the call for applications

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For better readability, this call for applications uses the male form throughout; the female form is however always included.

apply for the entire project period.

Funding period:

The total funding period for a project is generally **2 years**. Approval for the second project year is contingent in each case on allocation by the funding provider of the necessary budgetary resources to DAAD.

Funding can be extended for a further year with some countries, see country-specific information in **Appendix 1**.

Funding:

For the maximum available funds per funding year, see country-specific information; the funds are based on agreements with the foreign partners.

Which disciplines are eligible for funding?

The programme is open to all disciplines; for country-specific exceptions see **Appendix 1**.

Which target groups are sponsored?

Graduates, doctoral candidates, doctorate holders, professors, lecturers, if not otherwise specified in agreements with the foreign partner; see **Appendix 1**.

Which basic conditions should be met?

An application must present a specific academic research project of high quality, on which the partners from Germany and the foreign partner country intend to work together in an ideally complementary manner. Proposals involving research into general scientific questions of interest to both research groups are not sufficient. Basic financing of the project (personal and material expenses on both sides) must be ensured.

The German funding application and the funding application from the foreign partner must be submitted simultaneously, if not otherwise agreed for the specific country. Applications submitted by only one party will result in exclusion from the selection procedure. Applications must be submitted in German or English, see templates in **Appendix 3**.

Submitting an application

Applications in German or English must be **complete** and submitted **within the deadline** exclusively via the DAAD online portal (<https://portal.daad.de/irj/portal>).

To ensure swift and smooth processing of your application documents, please only upload attachments to your application in the form of PDF files (converted if necessary).

Please upload the following attachments:

1. Comprehensive project description = form Information on the Project (see template in **Appendix 3**)
2. Academic profile / CV of the German project leader (up to

three pages)

3. Academic profile / CV of the foreign PI
4. Project-relevant list of publications by the German applicant in the last five years (up to four pages)
5. Project-relevant list of publications by the foreign applicant in the last five years (up to four pages)
6. Brief CVs of further confirmed project participants at the time of application, if applicable (up to three pages)

For application documents and information see Appendices 3 and 4

Application deadline

Application deadlines vary by country, see country-specific information in Appendix 1

Funding for all countries begins in **early 2018** if not otherwise agreed with the foreign partner, see **Appendix 1**.

What are the selection criteria?

A commission of senior academics in various disciplines will determine whether funding is awarded. Key selection criteria include:

- The quality of the project (clarity of the project aims and methodology)
- Academic value of the project (topicality and degree of innovation)
- Feasibility of the research project (including in particular: basic financial security, preliminary work and appropriate planning of reciprocal visits)
- Project-relevant competence of both research groups
- Complementarity of research groups in the joint project (with regard to methodology, content, instruments etc.)
- Appropriate involvement of young academics

Further criteria include:

- Knowledge transfer between the German and the non-German group
- Academic and potential industrial usability of project outcome
- Added value (subject-related, institutional, interdisciplinary) through cooperation with the non-German partner

Contacts and further information

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Appendices to the
call for applications

- 1.) Country-specific information on the call for applications
- 2.) Funding allowances
- 3.) Form (German/English) Information on the Project
- 4.) FAQs on submitting an application

Partner organisations for the PPP programmes (all countries)

Egypt	Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research of the Arab Republic of Egypt (MHESR)	
Argentina	Ministerio de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación Productiva, MINCyT	
Australia	Universities Australia	

Brazil	Fundação Coordenação de Aperfeiçoamento de Pessoal de Nível (CAPES)	 C A P E S
Bulgaria	Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Bulgaria	
Chile	CONICYT	
China	China Scholarship Council, CSC	
Finland	Academy of Finland (Suomen Akatemia)	
France	Ministère de l'Éducation nationale, de l'Enseignement supérieur et de la Recherche	
Greece	Greek State Scholarship Foundation (I.K.Y.)	
Hong Kong	Research Grants Council	
India	Department of Science and Technology (DST) University Grants Commission (UGC)	 
Italy	Italian Ministry of Education, Universities and Research (MIUR)	
Japan	Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS)	
Colombia	(Departamento administrativo de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación) COLCIENCIAS	 
Croatia	Ministry of Research, Education and Sports (MZOS)	

Mexico	Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Tecnología (CONACYT)	
Norway	Research Council of Norway (Norges Forskningsrad)	
Peru	Consejo Nacional de Ciencia; Tecnología e Innovación Tecnológica del Perú (CONCYTEC)	
Poland	Ministry of Science and Higher Education	
Portugal	CRUP – Conselho de Reitores das Universidades Portuguesas Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia (FCT)	
Serbia	Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development of the Republic of Serbia	
Slovakia	Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic (MS SR) and the Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAS)	
Slovenia	Slovenian Research Agency (SRA)	
Taiwan	Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST)	
Thailand	Thailand Research Fund (TRF)	
Czech Republic	Czech Academy of Sciences (CAS)	
Hungary	Hungarian Scholarship Board, Balassi Institute, Magyar Ösztöndíj Bizottság (MÖB), Balassi Intézet	

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