

A New Passage to India – German-Indian Higher Education Cooperations 2019–2023

Goal and purpose

The programme “A New Passage to India” funded by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) since 2009 makes a significant contribution to strengthening German-Indian academic relations. The “German-Indian Higher Education Cooperations 2019–2023” subprogramme focusses on the support of young academics and their acquisition of expert and core competences under the umbrella of the overall programme “A New Passage to India”. Young academics are to be part of and further develop the German-Indian academic cooperation as highly qualified stakeholders.

The “German-Indian Higher Education Cooperations 2019–2023” have the following aims:

- Increasing India-related competences of German students, graduates, doctoral candidates, post-docs and university teachers through a visit to India within the scope of a higher education cooperation
- Increasing Germany-related competences of Indian students, graduates, doctoral candidates, post-docs and higher education teachers through a visit to Germany within the scope of a higher education cooperation
- Conduction of joint application-related research and teaching in Germany and India within the scope of higher education cooperations
- Integration of the topic “India” through innovative contributions in teaching and research and/or on contemporary India in relevant departments of a German university
- Development of innovative and sustainable forms of cooperation, such as joint education of graduates and doctoral candidates or joint research projects
- Close alignment of study and research opportunities within the cooperation to the requirements of international academia and the job market in order to increase the employability of graduates

Eligible measures

- Study and research visits of students, graduates and young academics to German and Indian partner universities (generally up to 6 months)
- Short and long visits of German and international university teachers
- Measures contributing to development and/or consolidation of cooperation (events, such as workshops, summer schools in Germany or India etc.)
- Study, teaching and research visits of doctoral candidates (generally max. 1 year)
- Joint excursions in collaborative projects
- Creation of scientific publications
- Information material about the project
- Human resources for coordination and administration of the project on the German side
- Coordination meetings of persons involved in the project

Expenditure eligible for funding

- **Project-related personnel resources for conducting and supervising the project:** Personnel in Germany (German university): research associates, academic assistants, student assistants
- **Material resources:** Fees as agreed with the DAAD, material resources inside and outside Germany, mobility and stay of German project staff
- **Funding recipients:** Mobility and visits of funded persons

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| | See appendix “Funding requirements” for details in this regard. |
| Type of funding | Funding will be provided as full financing. |
| Funding period | The funding period begins on 01.03.2019 at the earliest and ends on 28.02.2023 at the latest. |
| Funding level | The maximum amount available for the DAAD grant is generally limited to EUR 120,000 per financial year. |
| Subject areas | The programme is open to all subject areas. |
| Target group | German and Indian students, graduates, doctoral candidates, post-docs and university teachers. |
| Eligible applicants | German universities are eligible to apply. |
| Submission of applications | 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). |
| Application requirements | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project application (template in DAAD portal) • Financing plan (template in DAAD portal) • Detailed project description (see appendix for template) (appendix type: project description) • Short version of project description (see appendix for template) (appendix type: project description) • Cooperation agreement/letter of intent of all participating higher education partners (appendix type: contracts/agreements) • An endorsement of the application signed by the German university (see appendix on call for applications for template) (appendix type: programme-specific appendices) <p>The above 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 documents nor take into account any additionally supplied documents – except for the short description – or changes, including in the financing plan. Incomplete applications will be excluded from the selection procedure.</p> |
| Application deadline | The application deadline is 28 November 2018 . |
| Selection procedure | <p>A selection committee appointed by the DAAD will decide on the applications for project funding.</p> <p><u>Selection criteria</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academic quality of the project, which has to be agreed in close cooperation with the partner university • Credibility of information regarding target achievement as well as work and time planning • Plausibility of financing plan |

Scholarship selection procedure

Decisions on scholarship applications by students, doctoral candidates and post-docs are made by a selection committee appointed by the grant recipient.

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

The following should be specified:

- Public announcement of scholarship offers
- 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.)
- Award 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. visit and mobility allowance, tuition fees, etc.)

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Appendices

1. Funding requirements
2. Template “Detailed project description”
3. Template “Project description (short version)”
4. Template “Endorsement of application by the university administration of the German university”
5. DAAD table of fees
6. Template “Report”

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