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**German Egyptian Research Long-Term Scholarship to the Federal Republic of Germany
"GERLS"**

As an outcome of success achieved during the German-Egyptian Year of Science & Technology 2007, a cooperation agreement has been made between the Ministry of Higher Education of the Arab Republic of Egypt "MoHE" and the Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD). Funds made available by the German Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Egyptian Ministry of Higher Education have been allocated to create a program offering up to 81 postgraduate scholarships for Egyptian doctoral candidates.

The target group of this program will be comprised of Egyptian researchers who generally have been awarded M.A. / M.Sc. degrees in the past three years.

1. Background and objective

Within the framework of the long-standing cooperation between the Arab Republic of Egypt and the Federal Republic of Germany, and in partial fulfillment of the MoHE and DAAD aims and objectives; as well as in consideration of the funding resources and regulations of both parties, the aforementioned parties have agreed to create the "German Egyptian Research Long Term Scholarships" (GERLS).

2. Aim and duration of doctoral studies in Germany

Each year a group of researchers will be sent to Germany for doctoral scholarships in the scientific fields. Priorities will be agreed upon by DAAD and MoHE.

The GERLS program will be administered by the DAAD in close cooperation with the MoHE and German universities. Generally speaking, the scholarships within this program are awarded for 12 months, subject to extension up to 42 months.

Candidates can select adequately structured PhD courses or PhD supervisors in Germany themselves in order to join the GERLS program. However, dual funding from universities offering such courses and the GERLS program are not permitted. DAAD Cairo office and MoHE will support the candidates whenever necessary.

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GERLS Call 2015/2016

Please refer to the "Guide for Applicants" for detailed information.

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The following definitions will be used throughout this sheet:

✓ **“Full Ph.D.” Scholarship:**

Target: in all fields of academic studies except the ones mentioned under Specialization.
Degree: Ph.D. will be awarded by a German university.
Duration: up to 42 months.

✓ **“Channel” Scholarship:**

Target: in all fields of study except the ones mentioned under Specialization.
Degree: Ph.D. will be awarded by an Egyptian university,
Duration: up to 24 months.

✓ **“Specialization” scholarship:**

Target: for the study of fine and applied arts, architecture and music
Degree: without resulting in a degree
Duration: up to 24 months.

Special case:

Applicants from the fields of **arts, music** and **architecture** form a special case. Their applications will undergo an additional selection in Germany. Such additional selection activities in Germany will be implemented according to the procedures of the German Specialized Arts and Music Committee and in competition with candidates from other countries. A personal interview could be conducted at the time of the final selection in Egypt. The funding of these scholarships, however, is part of the GERLS program.

For more information, please refer to the additional information sheet for Artists.



3. Time line of the program:

- **Call for Application:** As of 15.07.2014 to 31.10.2014
- **Pre-Selection Procedures:** from November 2014 to end of January 2015
- **Final Selection Procedures:** March 2015
- **Final Selection Results:** April 2015
- **Start of Preparation Phase in Egypt:** May 2015
- **First Travel Date for the start of the language course in Germany:**
 - **For Full PHD:** October 2015
 - **For Channel and Specialization:** November/December 2015
- **Start of the Academic Semester in Germany:** April 2016

Kindly note that all above mentioned dates are subject to change without prior notice.

4. Language Requirements

4.1 English Language Requirements:

- All applicants have to submit proof of English language skills/abilities.
- This proof shall be either IELTS (band 6) certificate or institutional TOEFL (minimum score 550) or international TOEFL (minimum score 80).
- Sufficient proof of English skills is an eligibility criteria.

4.2. German Language Requirements:

- The German language is not considered as an entry requirement by the time of the application; however, it is a plus.
- All final selected candidates will receive an intensive language course for a period of two months.
- A placement test will be conducted to all applicants who have knowledge of German language and have indicated this in their application form.
- Applicants from the field of German studies and German school graduates will be exempted from the language course in Egypt and in Germany.

German Egyptian Research Long Term Scholarship (GERLS)

Call for Application

Call for Application: 1 July

Deadline: 31 October

Contacts

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