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#### "Wir schaffen das!"

One of the most important German sentences making it to world wide attention was Angela Merkel's "Wir schaffen das!" — we'll make it.

With millions of people fleeing into and throughout Europe some people may fear a total collapse of European civilisation as we know it. Some Europeans feel threatened and fear for their own benefits or even for their cultural identity. — Admittedly, we are getting out of our comfort-zone and we are stretching our limits. Most people and politicians alike are trying hard to find a good solution for those who are fleeing Syria and Afghanistan. In 2015 alone, Germany welcomed more than a million men, women and children fleeing war, terror and unbearable human rights violations. We do keep our borders open for refugees because Germany is a strong country in many ways: economically, financially, technologically and last not least socially. Citizens are collecting clothes and organising housing for refugees, students help translating for the newly-arrived, the DAAD has set up a scholarship programme for hundreds of refugees, universities have opened their gates. Germany will surely change with so much input from abroad — and I believe it will be for the better.

In the meantime in Thailand DAAD visited dozens of universities and partner organisations, hundreds of students and scholars came to the Information Centre and we talked to thousands of people about study and research in Germany. And sometimes about the refugee crisis. We have had a successful year and we've seen Germany rising even further in popularity among Thai students and researchers. About a thousand students from Thailand are enrolled in German universities right now and more than 300 scholarship holders have gone to Germany for an academic stay in 2015.

Despite all the extra efforts for refugees we have a reliable budget for our established scholarship programmes and we'll continue giving scholarships for the best. This year individual funding rates for DAAD scholars and fellows are being increased.

Our three biggest programmes open to individual applications are I) Intensive Language Courses for undergraduates, II) International Master Programmes in Public Policy / Good Governance and in Development Related Studies and III) Research Stays for doctoral candidates and post-docs.

There is a strong move from both Thai and German side to create and intensify lasting structures for internationalisation. More than a dozen university delegations from Germany have visited Thailand and they are all opening up to student or researcher exchange. Many universities are looking for partners to start joint or double degrees. Some universities even plan to set up international programmes together with Thai Partners.

Finally I'd like to point out that all our efforts couldn't bear fruit without the strong support by our partners in Thailand. This includes the German Ambassador to Thailand who has been very generous hosting several events in his residence. It includes our friends from Goethe Institut, and it also includes many Thai colleagues who have been to Germany or who feel related to our common cause. They have been there for us with advice and practical help and we highly appreciate this!

Together, we will make it!

Dr. Georg Verweyer
Director of the

DAAD Information Center Bangkok

## Recommended Weblinks

**DAAD Press Section** 

www.daad.de/presse/en/

Letter - Magazin für DAAD Alumni

www.daad-magazin.de/ letter.html

Research in Germany

www.research-ingermany.de/newsletter

Alumniportal Deutschland

www.alumniportaldeutschland.org

ASEM Newsletter

http://asem-educationsecretariat.kemdikbud.go.id/ newsletter/

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## HRH Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn awards Royal Tokens to DAAD representatives

During the celebrations at King Mongkut's University North Bangkok Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn awarded Royal Tokens to the DAAD Lecturer Dr.-Ing .Alex Brezing and to the director of the DAAD office Dr. Georg Verweyen to recognise 10 years of successful Thai-German cooperation at The Sirindhorn International Thai-German Graduate School of Engineering (TGGS).

After the award ceremony Princess Sirindhorn opened the "Science, Technology and Innovation Exhibition" on the ground of KMUTNB, where she spoke to the exhibitors including representatives from RWTH Aachen, Goethe Institut and DAAD.

#### Focus:

#### Research in Germany

Science and research in Germany are characterised by an excellent infrastructure, a wide variety of disciplines, well-equipped research facilities and competent staff.

Germany offers various forms of research locations: universities, non -university institutes, companies and institutions run by federal or state (Länder) authorities.

All in all, there are nearly 1,000 public and publicly funded institutions of science, research and development in Germany. They are joined by a large number of research and development (R&D) centres run by companies.

In selected fields or regions, these industrial and academic institutions pool their research and development activities in networks and clusters to work more efficiently and to benefit from a higher level of knowledge. Furthermore, cooperation at European as well as international level has become an essential dimension of science and research in Germany.

## Research Career and Funding Opportunities in Germany

For an ambitious researcher, Germany is one of the most attractive and dynamic research and innovation locations. A research stay in Germany offers the chance to work with world leading universities, influential research institutions and connect with major players in German industry.

Germany's reputation for quality, efficiency and innovation springs from close cooperation between industry and research facilities. A cornerstone of this success is the government's commitment to funding. The German government is investing more money in research and innovation than ever before. Therefore science and research in Germany is supported by an excellent infrastructure, covers a wide variety of disciplines, offers well-equipped research facilities and competent staff from all over the world.



### Doing a doctorate in Germany

The German doctorate has one of the best reputations worldwide with more than 4,000 international graduates completing their doctorate in Germany every year. Structured PhD programmes frequently have a strong international focus with English being the team language.

There are two models to choose from when pursuing a PhD in Germany. You can choose either the traditional, individual route, or you may prefer the structured doctoral programmes. The traditional PhD model continues to be the most popular choice where you choose your research topic and write your thesis under the supervision of a professor. Structured doctoral programmes are similar to programmes in English-speaking countries where a team of supervisors look after a group of doctoral students. There is a fixed curriculum within which they work toward their doctorate and write their dissertation.

### Focus:

Research in Germany

Almost 1,000 public and publicly funded institutions for science, research and development. Approx. 500 research and innovation networks and clusters

605,000 staff in R&D including 361,000 R&D researchers

German higher education institutions maintain over 32,000 international collaborative partnerships with roughly 5,200 universities and research institutions in more than 150 countries

Gross domestic expenditure on R&D: 80 billion euros (2013)

## Research Career and Funding Opportunities

## in Germany ... continued

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Career opportunities for postdocs and experienced researchers

Whether you come to Germany as a postdoc, a junior professor or a visiting researcher there's a wide range of career options open to you. Universities, non-university research institutes and companies offer young international researchers excellent opportunities to gain research experience and qualify for the next step in their career.

The initial postdoc stage is about further developing skills in research and possibly teaching while experienced postdocs can pursue the prerequisites needed for a professorship. Opportunities for experienced junior researchers with post doctorate research experience include leadership positions and the chance to realize their own research project. Conceivable is for example a leadership position in research and development (R&D) at a researchoriented company, where you could manage an international team of researchers in application and projectoriented research.



### Financing and funding your research work in Germany

There are many funding opportunities in Germany for international researchers. The largest organisations that award financial support to individuals are the German Research Foundation (DFG) and the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD). However, a large number of charitable foundations are now focused on supporting research and junior researchers. When it comes to the support and funding of research projects, non-university research institutions and industry play a major role. They are a key part of the German research infrastructure and particularly support young researchers with job offers or scholarships.

## Keep up to date

If you would like to keep up with the latest news, career and funding opportunities and much more "Research in Germany" offers a monthly newsletter and has a Facebook and Twitter page. For more information visit us at www.research-in-germany.org

## Master Studies in Berlin Getting Closer to your Goals!



#### Berlin MBA - Master of Business Administration

- 15-month full-time programme, start in September
- Taught in English
- Career development service
- For ambitious university graduates with 3 years of work experience
- Study visits to Asia, USA, UK, Europe
- Strong focus on leadership
- Tuition fee: € 17.500

Specialization pathways: European Management, European-Asian Management, Transatlantic Management

## Master International Business Management

- 15-month full-time programme, start in September
- Taught in English
- For prospective students with an undergraduate degree and 1 year of work experience
- Study Visit to London
- Study exchange at internationally recognised partner universities offered
- Personal development module
- International Management Focus
- Tuition Fee: € 12.900

Specialization modules: International Management, International Tourism Management

## Master Chinese-European Economics and Business Studies

- 4-terms study programme, start in October
- Taught in English
- Study place: Berlin, Germany and Chengdu, China
- Double degree available on request
- Tuition Fee: 9.800 €

## KMUTNB-Fair celebrates 10th anniversary of TGGS

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From 07.10.-09.10.2015 the KMUTNB (King Mongkut's University of Technology North Bangkok) celebrated their 56<sup>th</sup> anniversary together with the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the TFII (Thai-French Innovation Institute) and the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the TGGS (Thai-German Graduate School). Together with other Thai and international Institutions, the DAAD was invited to attend the "Science, Technology and Innovation Exhibition" on the ground of KMUTNB.

We gave out information about studying and research to all the interested students, who visited our exhibition stand during the three days. The students also had the chance to gather general information about the universities in Germany and about scholarships, which are annually offered by the DAAD.







## International M.A. Programme in Intercultural communication and European Studies (ICEUS)

Programme duration: 4 semesters (24 months) Programme start: Winter semester (October 1)

Credits: 120 ECTS

Language of instruction: English and German International study group of 30 participants per year Internship of ten weeks is part of the programme Study trips to Brussels and Straßbourg Admission requirements: Bachelor's degree or equivalent (180-210 ECTS),

certification of good proficiency in German and English

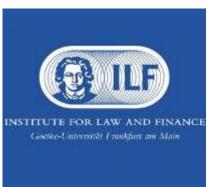
Application deadline: 15 May for applicants from outside

the EU; 15 July for EU applicants

Contact person: Ilka Gersemann, coordinator of the programme

E-Mail: info.iceus@sk.hs-fulda.de

www.hs-fulda.de/iceus





#### Key facts

Degree conferred by Goethe University Frankfurt For graduates from Asia holding a first degree in law, business or economics

One-year program conducted in English



#### **Tuition fees**

16.000€

1,600€ scholarship if applications received by 28 February

#### Application deadline

15 May

#### <u>Contact</u>

<u>LLMint@ilf.uni-frankfurt.de</u> www.ilf-frankfurt.de/LLM-International-Finance



## Study and Research in Germany



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Monthly Presentations in Thai language will be held on Thursdays at 6 p.m. at DAAD Information Center Bangkok as follows: January 21st February 18th March 24th April 21st May 19th June 16th July 21st August 18th September 22nd October 20th November 17th December 15th No need to register. For more information visit <u>www.daad.or.th</u>.

#### Closing Dates 2016

DAAD Information Center Bangkok will be closed during the following Thai and German public holidays:

February 22nd
April 6th, 13th,- 15th
May 2nd, 5th, 9th, 20th
July 19th, 20th
August 12th
October 3rd, 24th
December 5th, 12th,
and 25th—
January 2nd (2017)

OCSC-Education Fair at Siam Paragon (14.-15.11.2015)

A broad range of Thai and International Institutions of Higher Education participated in this year's OCSC Education Fair. So also did the DAAD. Roughly around 1.000 visitors came to see us at our booth. The DAAD provided them information about studying and research in Germany, as well as informed them about the opportunities to get a scholarship for their studies and researches in Germany. It was also a good opportunity for the students to gather further information on the German university system in general from the DAAD, since there had not been many German institutions at the OCSC, except for RWTH Aachen/TGGS, Goethe Institut Thailand and the Freshman Institute of Aachen.

It had been two joyful and impressing days for the whole staff of the DAAD Information Center Bangkok and the DAAD-Lecturers, who came to help at the exhibition stand!





#### Monthly Presentation "Study and Research in Germany"

Since September the assembly hall, where the presentation normally takes place, is being renovated, therefore from October—December 2015 our DAAD monthly presentation was held in the library of the Goethe-Institut Thailand. On these last three dates, a lot of visitors e.g. students, parents and interested people came to gather information about studying and doing research in Germany. Also the presentations in the New Year will continue to take place in the library.

The ambience in the library was very nice and the DAAD wants to thank the Goethe-Institut for being kind and arranging everything!





Become a versatile industrial manager through MBA&E studies at the HTW Berlin

The Master of Business Administration & Engineering (MBA&E) is a three-semester, English-language Master programme aiming at a technical management career profile. Typical graduates target positions in areas like production management, supply chain management and project management. MBA&E graduates often work at multinational companies and in international environments.

Programme structure and specializations Our top priority is to help our students advance in their careers. The MBA&E curriculum provides a high level of employability after the studies. The programme rests on four pillars

- \* A balance of solid management and technology skills giving graduates job market versatility
- \* Four specialization options to allow graduates target jobs in specific functions or industries
- \* A broad range of managerial employability skills taught throughout the curriculum
- \* A Master thesis and an optional internship to enhance job-readiness and business acumen



In addition to the two core modules - *General Management* and *Technology & Engineering*, the MBA&E curriculum includes a specialization option that specializes students in an area of their choice. At the moment, the following four specialization options are offered:

Automotive Management. Drawing upon the experience of the German automotive sector, the specialization prepares its students for jobs at OEMS, suppliers and consulting. Interdisciplinary Management. Prepares participants for the management of complex and interdisciplinary projects at the interface of technology and people.

Lean Management. Focuses on the optimization of production, logistics and administrative processes and applies across a number of different sectors.

Global Procurement. Prepares for the set-up and management of international procurement and outsourcing projects, covering technical, managerial and intercultural aspects.

Application, fees and contact information For application instructions, tuition fees and further information, please see our website at <a href="http://mbae.htw-berlin.de/">http://mbae.htw-berlin.de/</a>.

Please contact our programme office any time at <u>admission-mbae@htw-berlin.de</u> or +49 30 5019 2411.

## Study visit to Germany — a personal account

#### Study trips to Germany

DAAD funds Study trips for groups of a maximum of 15 students accompanied by one university teacher. Individual doctoral candidates may also be funded after consultation with the DAAD. The groups visit at least two German universities where they participate in the academic programme.

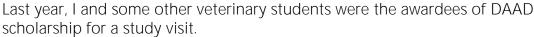
A cultural programme is organised in the evenings and at weekends.

Trips should be between 7 days and a maximum of 12 days in Germany.

DAAD will cover transport, board, accommodation and fees in Germany. International air fair must be covered individually.

Lecturers from any field of study can apply through their university.

My name is Lallalit Sukontarattanasook. I'm a veterinary student of the Khon Kaen University in Thailand.





Personally, this visit has inspired me to work harder to be accepted to a PhD program in Germany after I'll graduate from Khon Kaen University. In the near future (February 2016), I will go to Germany again for a 3-month training in avian virology at Freie University Berlin. Without the help of the DAAD, this great opportunity would never have been happen. I, and also on behalf of the other awardees, would like to express our thankfulness with the deepest appreciation for your kind help and precious guidance."







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- Biogeochemistry of the climate system;
- Climate related economics and social sciences.

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