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Sawatdee krap and Guten Tag,

I'd like to introduce myself as the new director of the DAAD Information Center in Bangkok. My name is Georg Verweyen or เก-ออร์ก แฟร์ไว เอิน.

So how did I get here? I have always loved seeing new place and meeting interesting people. While I studied German Literature, Linguistics, Philosophy and some Cultural Anthropology I moved around from Bonn to Paris (F), Utrecht (NL), Bochum and finally to Düsseldorf.

My PhD thesis at Ruhr University Bochum was cutting across sociology, history and literature dealing with literary texts talking about social blunders and people making a fool of themselves. The key outcome was that we hate to make a fool of ourselves, but we love to read about other people making a fool of themselves. Authors have used this topic to either criticise or support social values, especially in times of social change.

In 2009 I took the chance to go to Kenyatta University, Kenya as a lecturer for the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) where I taught students and PhD candidates. I learned a lot about Kenya and the people of Kenya, about my own language and how it feels to be outside my European comfort-zone. During a two-year break in Germany I headed the section for International Science at the International Office of the University of Cologne (2013—2015). But feeling that itch again to go abroad, I applied with DAAD and luckily they sent me to Bangkok. Now I am very curious to learn more about the Kingdom of Thailand and all the different universities, with 2.5 million students and thousands of researchers.

Of course I wish to share my enthusiasm about studying and research in Germany — Going abroad is great and going to Germany is a fantastic opportunity for Thai students.

DAAD's priority objective is to give **Scholarships for the Best** which includes students and researchers alike. In this issue of the newsletter we'll present a number of scholarship opportunities . These scholarships are all funded by Germany's Federal Foreign Office and the official call for application will be simultaneously announced by the German Embassy in Bangkok.

The second objective calls for **Structures for Internationalisation** and includes infrastructure for academic mobility and university cooperations. We've had some outstanding examples of internationalisation lately where students and lecturers from the ASEAN region met in Bangkok to discuss the future of German. We've seen university staff coming to Thailand to pave the way for an even closer exchange network. Bangkok is living up to it's promise of being an academic hub for the South East Asian region.

Finally we strive to support **Expertise for Academic Collaboration** both towards our regional partners and towards our German home base. None of our objectives could be reached without the support of a team based in Thailand. During the last weeks DAAD head-quarters in Bonn has sent two more lecturers to Thailand: Dr.-Ing. Alex Brezing who is teaching Engineering at TGGS in Bangkok and Dr. Dirk Baldes who is teaching German Studies at Chiang Mai University. So in total we are five lecturers and two administrators now.

Please be very welcome to get in touch with us, in person at the OCSC education fair, via email, facebook, twitter, website ... just look for DAADthailand.

Director of the

DAAD Information Center

Bangkok

A very warm welcome!

Study and Research in Germany

Monthly Presentations in Thai will be held on

Thursdays at 6 p.m.

at the auditorium of the Thai-German Cultural Foundation:

April 23rd

May 21st

June 18th

July 23rd

August 20th

September 17th

October 22nd

November 19th

December 17th

No need to register. For more information visit <u>www.daad.or.th</u>.

Closing Dates 2015

DAAD Information Center Bangkok will be closed during the following Thai and German public holidays: April 6th

April 6th

April 13th, 14th, 15th

May 1st

May 5th

May 13th

June 1st

July 30th, 31st

August 12th

October 23rd

December 7th

December 10th

December 25th to

January 1st (2016).





Visit of the German Ambassador

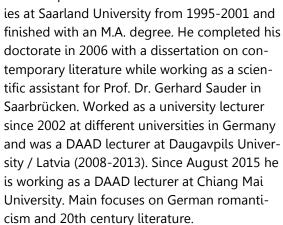


Dr. Antje Streit, Dr. Georg Verweyen, HE Peter Prügel, Dr.-Ing. Alex Brezing, Dr. Lasse Schuldt

Since August 2015 Peter Prügel is the new German Ambassador to the Kingdom of Thailand. After postings in Paris, Ankara and Tel Aviv, he has been regional coordinator for the ASEAN region at the Federal Foreign Office in Berlin, so he is familiar with the region already. The team of DAAD in Thailand was very honoured to welcome His Excellency for an informal talk in our office on August 18th. DAAD lecturer Dr. Antje Streit from Chulalongkorn University and two DAAD expert lecturers joined us on this occasion: Dr.-Ing. Alex Brezing from KMUTNB and Dr. Lasse Schuldt from Thammasat University.

Dr. Dirk Baldes started teaching German Studies at Chiang Mai University this August.

Born in 1974. Studied Modern German Literature, German Linguistics and Comparative Stud-



Dr.-Ing. Alex Brezing
has been appointed
DAAD Special Lecturer
for Engineering at The
Sirindhorn International
Thai-German Graduate
School of Engineering
(TGGS) at King
Mongkut's University of



Technology North Bangkok (KMUTNB). TGGS was founded as a joint project of KMUTNB and Alex' home University, RWTH Aachen University, to offer Graduate programs in Engineering according to the Aachen model in the SEA region. Alex teaches undergraduate and graduate classes in the field of mechanical design and connects students and researchers in Thailand with academia and industry in Germany. His fields are Design Methodology, Industrial Design, Computer-Aided Engineering (CAD, FEA) and Engineering Drawing.

Announcements by Hochschule Fulda



Pre-Study Fulda What is "Pre-Study Fulda"?

"Pre-Study Fulda" is a special introductory semester for international applicants to Fulda University. "Pre-Study Fulda" provides advanced preparation for students from abroad, including both, academic and language preparation (German and English) on different levels.

Admission requirements:

university entrance qualification, language skills depending on course level. Costs between 850€ - 1,780€. Semester fee: 300€.

Advantages:

bonus of 0,3 on your GPA; best possible start into your future studies; improvement of academic success.

Application deadlines: www.pre-study-fulda.de

Contact:

<u>Christina.pitz@verw.hs-fulda.de</u> <u>www.pre-study-fulda.de</u>

Global Software Development What is Global Software Development?

M.Sc. in Global Software Development is a modern software development programme with strong relevance to industry. The programme lasts 1,5 years (18 months). It is completely taught in English and places special emphasis on project work and on intercultural learning in mixed groups. Two options for a prep class prior to the start of the programme: 4 weeks (compulsory), 1 year (optional). Semester fee: 300 €, Monthly living costs: 600 − 750 € (scholarships available).



Admission requirements: Bachelor's degree or equivalent (180-210 ECTS);

Application deadline:

November 1.

Contact person:

Prof. Dr. Wagner, Director of the Programme





Scholarships for the Best/Stipendien für die Besten

Recommended Weblinks

DAAD Press Section

www.daad.de/presse/

Letter - Magazin für DAAD Alumni

www.daad-magazin.de/ letter.html

Research in Germany

www.research-ingermany.de/newslette

Alumniportal Deutschland

www.alumniportaldeutschland.org

ASEM Newsletter

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

ACA Academic Cooperation Association

www.aca-secretariat.be

PhD Germany

Would you like to do a PhD in Germany?

German higher education and research institutions are constantly on the lookout for qualified international doctoral candidates

In the DAAD database, you will find PhD positions specifically for foreign applicants.

PhDGermany The Platform for
Doctoral Positions and
Research Opportunities
in Germany

www.phdgermany.de



Scholarships funded by the Federal Foreign Office of the Federal Republic of Germany

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) offers scholarships for post-graduate studies and research to Thai nationals for the academic year 2016/2017. Applicants should be academic staff members of universities or research institutes.

The scholarships are available in every academic field. Applicants for Masters and Doctoral programmes should have graduated with marks well above average, not longer than six years ago. Applicants for doctoral programmes should not have started their Ph.D. programme more than three years ago. Applicants for Short-Term Research Stays should have gained their doctoral degree not longer than two years ago. DAAD Re-Invitation is a life-long opportunity for former DAAD scholars. Besides, applicants who have been resident in Germany for longer than 15 months at the application deadline cannot be considered.

Applicants are generally expected to be able to prove that they have a basic knowledge of German at the time of application and must prove that they have a good knowledge of English (TOEFL iBT 80 resp. IELTS 6.0), too.

The scholarship, which is extendible up to three academic years, includes a monthly allowance of Euro 750 for graduates and Euro 1,000 for Ph.D. candidates (approx. Baht 30,000 to 40,000) plus tuition fees, etc. Furthermore, travel expenses to and from Germany and an allowance for German health insurance coverage will be paid by DAAD.

Important: Application forms for the listed scholarship programmes must be filled online through DAAD-Portal at www.funding-guide.de

Applicants are requested to submit four complete sets of documents including the application forms and final academic records not later than the given deadlines during office hours at the DAAD Information Center Bangkok (www.daad.or.th).



DAAD scholarship holder at Uni Rostock © Hagenguth/DAAD

I. <u>Master Degree Scholarships</u> Apply before 31 October 2015

Study Scholarships for Foreign Graduates for Artists and Architects

II. <u>Doctoral Degree Scholarships</u> Apply before 31 October 2015

- Research Grants Doctoral Programmes in Germany (1-3 Years)
- · Research Grants One-Year Grants (7–10 months)
- Research Grants Bi-Nationally Supervised Doctoral Programme ("Sandwich Scheme")

III. Short-Term Research Stay Scholarships (1–3 Months) Apply before 30 November 2015

- Research Stays for University Academics and Scientists
- Study Visits for Academics –
 Artists and Architects
- Re-Invitation Programme for Former Scholarship Holders

... even more scholarships and more announcements

Meet DAAD Thailand at OCSC Education Expo 2015!

at Royal Paragon Hall (Booth F8-10), 5th Floor Siam Paragon, November 14th and 15th.

Please check **www.ocscexpo.net** for more information.

Summer Courses in Germany 2016

DAAD awards up to ten scholarships to Thai Students who wish to improve their knowledge of the German language and their cultural knowledge of the country.

DAAD supports students to attend a three-week summer university in August 2016.

DAAD is turning 90 -- More than 50 years of cooperation with Thailand Congratulations are in order!

Think of a nice way to congratulate DAAD in German (speech, drama, sketch, dance, song ...). Shoot a video showing your performance and publish a 5-minute YouTube clip with the tag #DAADthailand. Then, send us an e-mail to info@daad.or.th with a short academic CV and a link to your video, subject line: HSK2016

Apply not later than: October, 11th 2015

You should notice that alternatively you can attend any summer university course, at your own costs.

You can find scholarship details here: http://on.fb.me/1ILNTsR A list of eligible courses is here: http://summerschools.de

Announcement by Hochschule Lübeck

New Interdisciplinary Master Course "Environmental Engineering" (MaEE) at Lübeck University of Applied Science (LUAS)

The study programme Master Environmental Engineering is intended to further qualify experts in environmental protection based on sound environmental assessment and innovative technologies.

The study course attaches great importance to scientific methods, application orientation and problemsolving strategies in interaction with social requirements and at the intersection of different stakeholder interests. Course-integrated projects across the entire course duration aim at the training of skills to develop solution strategies, use of need-oriented, technical approaches and the development of a high level of social competence. Teams work on scientific and industrial projects of regional and international nature. MaEE has been designed as non-consecutive international full-time study-course of 3 semesters with 90 CP (ECTS) in English language; the tuition fee is 12,000 EUR in total for 3 semesters. Applicants must have a degree of Bachelor of Engineering (or a corre-

sponding, similar field) of at least 210 Credit Points (CP) and one year of professional experience in an environmental field.

Possible employers include public authorities, NGOs, scientific institutions, consulting firms and planning companies, corporations and environmental and water management services and organisations. The scope of duties may be of technically oriented and planning or advisory nature.

For more information, please refer to http://master-environmental-engineering.de or contact maee@fh-luebeck.de.



University of Applied Sciences

"German links ASEAN"

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Third Southeast Asian Summer University for German Studies



From 20th of July until 8th of August 2015 DAAD Thailand, Chulalongkorn University (German section) and Goethe-Institute Thailand jointly organized the 3rd Southeast Asian joyed highlights like a panel discussion about Summer University for German Studies on the topic "German links ASEAN". The event took place at Chulalongkorn University and was followed by 40 participants from eight different ASEAN countries.

It included workshops for young scientists (language training, educational training, facts about Germany, Austria and Switzerland and research methods) and workshops for students (German special language: tourism, research methods) as well as presentations by Dr. Thanakon Kaewwipat and Prof. Dr. Ampha Ortakul. The participants and teachers en-German Studies in ASEAN, the Cultural Evening (sponsored by the German Embassy Thailand) and an excursion to Nakhon Pathom. As a result of this event a facebook group for Southeast Asian German studies was founded. Everybody, who is interested, is invited to join us on Facebook: "Südostasiatische Germanisten".

Antje Streit, DAAD lecturer at Chulalongkorn University



Photo: private

Announcements by Frankfurt School of Finance & Management

Frankfurt: One of Europe's most vibrant economic regions — At its core: Frankfurt School of Finance & Management.

Here, 1,800 lecturers, 50 professors and 8,000 students bridge the gap between theory and practice, while being surrounded by Europe's leading financial institutions. Frankfurt School has one of the most research-active economics faculties in the German speaking region. With its practical and research-based orientation it regularly achieves top positions in rankings.

Programmes fully taught in English:



Bachelor's Programme Majors

Banking & Finance (BSc)
International Management (BSc)

Here you can watch a movie about our undergraduate programme: http://www.frankfurt-school.de/content/en/education_programmes/bachelor.html

The Frankfurt School of Finance & Management will award scholarships to graduates of the IB Diploma Programme to begin undergraduate (Bachelor) studies in August 2015:

http://www.frankfurt-school.de/content/en/education_programmes/financing_for_studies/scholarships/ib_scholarship.html



Master's Programmes

Master of Finance (MSc)
Master in Management (MSc)
Master of International Business (MA)

MBAs

The Frankfurt MBA (MBA)
International Healthcare Management (MBA)
Executive MBA (EMBA) http://www.frankfurt-school.de/
content/en/education_programmes/mba/emba.html

For more information, see www.frankfurt-school.de or contact us prospectivestudents@fs.de



Science Tour "Research in Germany" 2016 City of the Future — Research for Sustainable Urban Development



Are you an international scientist involved in and curious about the future of urban development and so called smart cities? Discover more about research into cities of the future by taking a tour of cutting-edge research facilities in Germany.

The tour, 31 January – 6 February 2016, organised by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), will be held in English and will provide a unique insight into innovative research activities in German universities, research institutes and industry.



City kife at the river Spree — D. Ziegert/DAAD

You will have the opportunity to

- Exchange ideas with German scientists
- Broaden your academic network
- Discuss future collaboration projects in urban transition, mobility and infrastructure.



Who may apply?

The tour is open to researchers engaged in sustainable urban development in the following disciplines: Infrastructure and traffic technologies, Urban studies and logistics, Sanitary environmental engineering, Geogra-



Travel through Germany — D. Ziegert /DAAD

phy and Renewable energy technologies.

You should:

- Hold a doctoral degree (degree awarded before 30 Sept 2013)
- Be affiliated to a non-German university/research institute
- Have a strong research background



German technology at its best — D. Hagenguth/DAAD

 Be able to initiate and manage major projects in cutting-edge research or educational cooperation.

How to apply:

Apply online at https://ssl.daad.de/limesurvey/227523/lang-en

Deadline: 25th September 2015

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For detailed information, please visit http://www.daad.or.th/en/



