

Scholarships for the German-Arab Master's Course  
"Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency for the MENA Region"  
(REMENA)

University of Kassel / Cairo University

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What are the goals of the programme?

This master's course is designed with an interdisciplinary and integrative approach that goes beyond addressing problems related to the natural and environmental sciences. The economic, ecological and regulatory policy dimensions of the energy sector (e.g. national and international energy and climate policies, energy management legislation, etc.) are reflected in the curriculum along with the socio-cultural aspects. In content and methodology, this programme for academic experts in environment and energy-related fields provides a practice and need-oriented opportunity for continued training that places special emphasis on the development of intercultural communication skills. By working in small mixed groups, students are trained in intercultural communication and management skills, so that as graduates they will be in a position to cooperate on international projects in areas such as development cooperation or scientific-technological cooperation. English is the language of instruction. Upon successful completion of the course graduates will be awarded a master's degree of each university.

Who can apply?

Applications are open to participants from the following countries: Germany, Algeria, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestinian Territories, Syria, Tunisia and Yemen.

Target Group

The target group of this master's programme are **young professionals from the field of Renewable Energies**, with some practical work experience (at least 2 years if possible).

What is funded?

German scholarship holders :

The DAAD awards a monthly scholarship of € 800 for the phases abroad (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> semesters). During the second semester in Germany no scholarship can be awarded! The scholarship also includes health insurance and insurance for accident and personal liability for the whole study period (including the phase in Germany). Furthermore, the DAAD pays a subsidy towards the travel expenses.

Arab scholarship holders:

The DAAD awards a monthly scholarship of € 600 (Egyptian students) and € 700 (MENA-country students) for the first semester and € 750 for the second and third semesters. The scholarship also includes health insurance and insurance for accident and personal liability for the whole study period (including the phase in Germany). Furthermore, the DAAD pays a subsidy towards the travel expenses.

## Application

List of the **required documents**:

- DAAD application form "**Application for Research Grants and Study Scholarships**" ([http://www.daad.de/medien/deutschland/stipendien/formulare/forschungsstipendium\\_en.pdf](http://www.daad.de/medien/deutschland/stipendien/formulare/forschungsstipendium_en.pdf));
- application form for the course;
- **hand-signed** CV (please use the europass specimen form at <http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/>);
- **hand-signed** letter of motivation (with reference to current occupation) with precise description of the academic/professional and personal reasons for wishing to participate in this programme;
- 2 recommendation letters (e.g. academic letter/s from your university or professional letters from your former or current employer; the letter must have a signature and office stamp and must be of recent date);
- confirmation of employment from the employer in your home country, and if possible, a guarantee of re-employment upon returning home;
- proof of language abilities in English (e.g. TOEFL or IELTS or comparable) and if applicable German or Arabic;
- certified copies of awarded academic degrees, of academic transcripts and School Leaving Certificate;
- Explanation of the grading system
- Copy of passport

The application has to be in English.

**Applications that are not complete will be excluded from the selection procedure.**

## Selection

A selection committee consisting of professors of the course and representatives of the DAAD will nominate the candidates for a scholarship.

Aside from the study achievements and the academic quality of the applicant, the most important selection criterion will be a convincing presentation of his/her professional and personal motivation for participating in this programme, including the expected benefits after returning to the home country and/or the expected contribution towards German-Arab cooperation.

The bachelor's degree should not be more than 6 years old. Arab candidates who have already been in Germany for more than 15 months at the time they apply cannot be considered for a scholarship.

## Deadline for applications

The complete application must be submitted by **March 15<sup>th</sup> 2013 via uni-assist.**

## Contact and further information

For more information regarding the programme and application, please visit the programme website ([www.remena.uni-kassel.de](http://www.remena.uni-kassel.de)) or address your further questions to: [remena@uni-kassel.de](mailto:remena@uni-kassel.de)

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