



**DAAD  
Leadership for  
Africa**

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**Welcome**



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# Leadership for Africa

## Programme's outline

- Funded by the German Federal Foreign Office with 4 Mio. € / 70 scholarships each year
- Scholarship programme to complete a Master's degree in Germany
- Annually call for application in East, West and Central African countries
- LfA targets recognized refugees and nationals of the refugees' host countries
- Additionally, mandatory extra-curricular training programme LEAD!
- Programme implementation in close cooperation with UNHCR



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## Insights of the 1st intake:

**42 scholarship holders – 17 refugees**

**Ethiopia, Kenya, Sudan and Uganda  
and even more country backgrounds**

Southsudan, Somalia, DR Congo, Burundi and Eritrea

## 2nd intake:

**70 scholarship holders – 15 refugees**

**Cameroon, Ethiopia, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Senegal and  
Tanzania**

**and even more country backgrounds**

Somalia and Eritrea

## Upcoming Call for applications

**West- and Centralafrica: Cameroon, Ivory Coast, Ghana,  
Niger and Senegal**

**East Africa: Burundi, Ethiopia, Kenya, Ruanda and Uganda**

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## Objectives

- legal pathways for migration will be provided through higher education opportunities for refugees
- Support the academic qualification and advancement of young African scholars
- Contribute to the education of a future generation of alumni/graduates, who will be vital for the development of their home and host countries
- Supporting academic institutions in African partner countries: outstanding graduates and future doctoral candidates bring skills back to home universities and society

## Best Practice and Challenges

- Strict selection procedure based on academic criteria
- Well-structured pre-departure phase including issuance of convention travel documents for refugee students without documents
- Close cooperation with UNHCR is highly necessary in order to take refugees' protection issues into account
- Successful applicants are invited to bring spouses and children along
- Be aware of possible traumatization of participants
- Close supervision/coaching of students' academic progress and integration into host country's society by DAAD and university staff
- Additional training provided by a selected university (blended learning programme) enhances students' competencies and future career perspectives



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**Thank you for  
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