

Call for COSIMENA Funding

For activities aiming at strengthening the academic cooperation between Germany and the MENA region, especially Egypt, in 2024



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Within the scope of its clusters, COSIMENA offers support for a great variety of activities which range from scholarly evening lectures to summer/winter schools and scientific conferences.

Starting from 2024, the allocation of funds will be based on a formalized application process. Upon the announcement of a call, interested institutions must submit – by using a standardised form - by the given deadline(s) proposals that explain the intended activity, outline the contribution provided by the requesting institution(s) (be it organisational and/or financial) and contain a finance plan. Kindly note that COSIMENA support can also be requested for partial funding of relevant activities, for instance, the coverage of travel costs for certain participants from abroad or the funding of a specific part of a bigger event.

Applicants can be German and Egyptian universities; partnerships with institutions from the MENA region are possible. The activities must take place in Egypt starting March 15th, 2024. The eligible costs that might be covered will be explained in the outlines of the different event formats below.

The selection will be done by an academic selection committee, beside feasibility, scientific value, expected impact and contribution(s) of the host institution(s), special emphasis will be



given to activities aimed at young academics as well as a gender-sensitive approach and efforts to include disadvantaged and peripheral groups.

These are the event formats which can be supported:

Evening Lectures/Panel Discussions / Mini workshops

One speaker from abroad; round trip and two nights (according to the BRKG; flights and accommodation will be booked by the DAAD); networking reception; rent for event space if premises of the DAAD in Cairo are not suitable or available and no Egyptian host institution is involved.

Workshops and Symposia

At least one full day – up to two days; for workshops one day: two speakers, two days: three speakers from abroad maximum; for symposia up to six speakers from abroad; equal distribution between speakers from Germany and the MENA region needed. Travel expenses and accommodation for speakers from abroad; refreshments and meals during the event, rent for event space if premises of the DAAD in Cairo are not suitable or available and no Egyptian host institution is involved.

Summer and Winter Schools

Cooperation between at least one German and one Egyptian university is mandatory. Considerable participation in the organisation by the requesting institution(s) is expected.

International Conferences

Only partial funding is available for such events, no full conferences can be sponsored. Funding can mainly be provided for the travel and accommodation of a limited number of foreign speakers for the duration of the event.

Deadline for applications 31st, January 2024 (00:00 Cairo Local Time)

For filling out the application form, please click here:

<https://www.daad.de/surveys/556216?lang=en>

Results will be announced by the end of February/Beginning of March.

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