## DAAD Regional Office for Africa - October 17, 2012





#### Dear friends of DAAD,

With this *nairobi express* we would like to remind you of the **First Afternoon Tea at DAAD Office** on <u>Monday, 22nd of Octo-</u> <u>ber from 16:30 until 19:00</u>. The event will be focusing on Media and Communication and you will get to hear from interesting Professors from the University of Augsburg.

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In addition, we would like to inform you about KODI—the Open Data Initiative—and other recent developments in the world of DAAD.

Lastly, we forward you a call for proposals of the ACP Science and Technology Programme II which closes on <u>7th of February</u> <u>2013</u>.

Cordially yours,

Hours

Christoph Hansert, Director, DAAD Regional Office for Africa





# AFTERNOON TEA AT DAAD

#### New Innovations in Media and Communication

The first "Afternoon Tea at DAAD" will take place on Monday, <u>October, 22nd, 2012</u>. You will have the opportunity to meet Professors from the <u>University of Applied Sciences Augsburg</u>, which is located in the South of Germany.



The scholars are in Nairobi to strengthen their collaboration with the Kenya Polytechnic University College and take the opportunity to inform you about their current research projects. You can expect some inspiring photos and animations as well as a lively discussion.

Prof. Dr. Thomas Rist - *Current Topics in Interactive Media Research,* Prof. Robert Rose - *Designing Time - The Process as a Dimension of Art,* Prof. Dr. Doris Binger - *Media & Democracy - The Role of the Media in Democratic Transformations of Societies* and Prof. Dr. Andreas Kunert - *Photography - Current Topics*.

The Afternoon Tea starts at 16:30 at the DAAD Office Nairobi (Community Bus stop, Upper Hill Close, Madison Insurance House, 3rd floor) and ends at around 19:00.

Please confirm your participation by sending an E-mail to <u>intern@daadafrica.org</u> by <u>Octo-</u> <u>ber, 19th 2012.</u>

## **KENYA OPEN DATA INITIATIVE WORKSHOP IN THE OFFING**



Kenya is seen as one of the few countries in the developing world leading the way towards convenient public online data accessibility and DAAD is actively taking part in the change!

The KDSA in collaboration with DAAD, Kenya ICT Board, Kenya Open Data Initiative, National Council for Science and Technology and the World Bank are organising a sensitization workshop on the Kenya Open Data Initiative that seeks to reach a solution on the bottlenecks haunting data accessibility to be held between 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> October. Stakeholders from universities, governmental and research institutions and others are invited. The workshop aims

- To provide information to the stakeholders so that they can appreciate the benefits of sharing data via KODI.
- To use the platform as a means to support data sharing.
- To provide a means to measure performance in the use and management of data.

For more information about the recent developments please visit the <u>Kenya Open Data</u> <u>Initiative Website</u>.



#### **NEW DATABASE FOR DAAD PROJECTS**

German Universities with DAAD Alumni from developing countries focussing on Renewable Energy and Green Technology can apply for funding for the Alumni Special Project "Hannover Fair" by <u>October, 31st, 2012</u>. Alumni from developing countries will participate in a summer school at a German University which is focusing on the topic of the Hannover fair. The project will also enable DAAD Alumni to visit the Hannover fair in April 2013. Please click <u>here</u> for details.

#### **BACHELOR PLUS PROGRAMMES**

Bachelor Plus Programmes are Bachelor Programmes with a duration of four years including one year abroad. The Technical University Dresden now offers a Bachelor Plus Programme in Cooperation with the University of Nairobi focussing on German studies. A list with all collaborations can be found on the <u>DAAD Website</u>.





DAAD Alumni exchanging ideas at the conference.



Participants of the "Renewable Energy 2030 – Experts Visions" conference enjoying the German hospitality.

# 25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE POSTGRADUATE PRO-GRAMME ON RENEWABLE ENERGY (PPRE)

Imagine the World in 2030 - How would you expect it to be? More than 200 Experts in the renewable energy field held discussions on "Renewable Energy 2030 – Experts Visions" in Berlin from 1st to 2nd of October 2012. The conference was organised to celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the "Postgraduate Programme Renewable Energy" funded by DAAD.

The programme was developed in 1987 when the University of Oldenburg realized the potential of renewable energy – as one of the first universities in Germany. For the conference, the participants travelled to Berlin from all over the world including from countries like India, Ecuador, Rwanda, Sudan, Kenya and Ethiopia to exchange their knowledge on the topic. In the meeting, DAAD Alumni met recent scholarship holders; researchers met lecturers and members of NGOs met important company representatives. "We are very proud, that many important researchers and experts in the field of renewable energy participated", concluded Michael Golba, the Director of the PPRE.

More than 220 scholarships have been awarded by DAAD for the programme in the last 25 years. "We will support PPRE in future", assured Dr. Dorothea Rueland, the General Secretary of DAAD. To inform yourself about the possibilities of the PPRE programme, please visit the <u>University of Oldenburg Website</u>.

# Call for proposals

### **ACP Science and Technology Programme II**

The ACP S&T II call for proposals has finally been launched. The deadline for submission of applications is <u>February</u>, 7th, 2013.

You will find all relevant information on the <u>ACP S&T Website</u>.

Please note that the programme prioritises proposals from the fields of Energy Access and Efficiency as well as Agriculture and Food Security. However, other sectors and/or interdisciplinary approaches are not excluded as long as the anticipated activities are in line with the objectives of the programme.

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