

Call for Applications

NELGA Digital Accompanying Measures

What are the program objectives?

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) is funded by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) as commissioned by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) to organize accompanying measures for the "**Network of Excellence for Land Governance in Africa (NELGA)**".

NELGA is a partnership of leading African universities and research institutions with proven leadership in education, training and research on land governance. Currently NELGA has more than 50 partner institutions across Africa.

The objectives of NELGA are:

- Enhancing training opportunities and curricula on land governance in Africa;
- Promoting demand driven research on land policy issues;
- Connecting scholars and researchers across Africa through academic networks;
- Creating data and information for monitoring and evaluation on land policy reforms.

What measures will be funded?

We invite NELGA partners to apply for funding for small measures to **mitigate the effect of the covid19** crisis in the functioning of NELGA **through digital means**. Such measures are meant to ensure a certain operational continuity, both in term of regional collaboration between NELGA partner institution, but as well as the internal functioning within the institution (e.g. continuity of teaching). This funding is part of the general open call for NELGA accompanying measures as attached.

Measures eligible for funding:

- Conducting needs assessments for e-learning solutions
- Development of digital teaching and learning materials (e.g. new online modules)
- Implementation of virtual events

For the implementation of digitalization activities, expenditure on personnel¹ for the support of digital formats, as well as software, licenses and fees and services for external e-learning experts and developers are possible.

The budget of the measure should not exceed 15,000.00 EUR.

¹ Fees/expense allowances to permanent staff of the applying institution are not fundable.

Submitting an application

The application is to be submitted in writing electronically and must include:

- A detailed description of the project including concrete measurable objectives;
- A schedule of all planned measures as well as a detailed budget (template on request);
- Evidence of existing/initiated contacts with partners, where applicable.

Selection of applications:

A DAAD commission will assess the funding applications. The criteria for the selection of funding applications are as follows:

- A complete application;
- Inclusion of specific, measurable objectives which are directly related to the program objectives;
- Convincing description of plans for networking and network expansion;
- Description of sustainability and consolidation of measures.
- Economic and efficient use of financial resources.

The following aspects are relevant for the selection of proposals for curriculum development and review:

- Sustainability of the measures after the covid19 crisis;
- Capacity building that will enhance the digital literacy of NELGA partners;
- Promotion of e-learning in a sustainable manner;
- Cooperation with other NELGA partner universities.

Application deadline

Applications for the NELGA-DAAD accompanying measures may be submitted throughout the year. For this specialized call for funding for covid19 mitigation measure, we invite you to apply before the 15th of October 2020.

Contact details

Applications can be sent to the following contact persons:
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