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1. FU Berlin Cairo Office now on Facebook

The FU Berlin Cairo Office has just launched its own [Facebook page](#). Like the page to keep up to date about scholarship programs, studying at Freie Universität Berlin, and events and services of the Cairo Office.

2. [Freie Universität Berlin among the four best universities in Germany](#)

Freie Universität Berlin, according to the latest World University Rankings by Times Higher Education (THE), is one of the four best universities in Germany. Freie Universität ranked 86 in the overall world rankings, an improvement of 42 positions since the last such ranking.

3. Save the date: Second German Science Day in Cairo on 16 November

Following the success of the first German Science Day in Cairo in 2012, the [German Science Center in Cairo](#) (DWZ) again opens its doors for visitors on **16 November**. The DWZ partner institutions, among them Freie Universität Berlin Cairo Office, will offer workshops, seminars, lectures, and special counseling and information sessions.

4. Save the date: Next CTTC on 10 December

In the next [Cairo Talk on Transformation and Change \(CTTC\)](#), Dr. Samer Atallah, Assistant Professor in the Department of Economics of the American University in Cairo, and Dr. Stephan Roll, research fellow at the German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP), will discuss how political conflict affects economic development in Egypt - and reverse. The event takes place on 10 December.

5. [EU-METALIC II: 2nd Call of the EU-METALIC Scholarship Program now open](#)

The EU-METALIC II program offers scholarships for undergraduate, master, doctoral and post-doctoral students and staff. These scholarships are financed with the support of the Erasmus Mundus program of the European Union and will cover travel, insurance, participation costs and subsistence allowance. The call will close on **17 January 2014**.

6. Call for Applications: [6 PhD Scholarships - IMPRS Moral Economies](#)

The International Max Planck Research School for Moral Economies of Modern Societies (IMPRS Moral Economies) at the Max Planck Institute for Human Development offers 6 PhD scholarships. Highly motivated M. A. (respectively M. Phil. or equivalent) graduates are encouraged to apply for a PhD scholarship from **1 November to 1 December 2013**.

7. Current calls of Dahlem Research School programs

[Berlin Graduate School Muslim Cultures and Societies](#)

The Berlin Graduate School Muslim Cultures and Societies (BGSMS) will admit up to fifteen PhD students to its structured doctoral program. Up to ten of these candidates will receive a Graduate School grant. The complete application package must be submitted by **15 November 2013**.

[Friedrich Schlegel Graduate School of Literary Studies](#)

The Friedrich Schlegel Graduate School of Literary Studies is the only graduate school focusing solely on literary studies to have been repeatedly successful in the German "Excellence Initiative". In 2014 the Graduate School will award up to 10 doctoral scholarships and up to 2 post-doctoral scholarships. The application deadline is **6 January 2014**. More information on the call can be found [here](#).

Berlin Mathematical School

The Berlin Mathematical School (BMS) invites applications for the Dirichlet Postdoctoral Fellowship starting in the fall of 2014. This two-year position is open to promising young mathematicians holding a PhD who want to pursue their own research in any of the fields of mathematics represented in Berlin. Completed applications are due by **1 December 2013** and should be submitted online at the BMS website: <http://www.math-berlin.de/about-bms/dirichlet-fellowship>.

8. New call for PhD long-term scholarship program GERLS

The 6th call of the funding program GERLS is now open. The target group for this program are young researchers who have been awarded their Master's degree recently (not longer than three years ago) and would like to continue their PhD-related research in Germany. Deadline for application: **31 October 2013**. Further information can be found on the [DAAD Cairo website](#).

9. German Egyptian Mobility Program for Scientific Exchange and Excellence Development (GE-SEED)

The German Egyptian Mobility Program for Scientific Exchange and Excellence Development (GE-SEED, formerly known as GESP) aims at supporting bilateral mobility between Egyptian and German scientific teams with special emphasis on young scientists (Master and PhD students) and within the framework of a jointly submitted research project of a period up to two years. Deadline for submission: **15 December 2013**.

10. Bilateral Exchange of Academics (WAP)

The Bilateral Exchange of Academics Program (WAP) primarily intends to support the implementation of mutual teaching and research projects between German and Egyptian scientists. The program offers academic visits to Germany ranging from 1 to 3 months, depending on the applicant's work schedule. Target group of the WAP program are PhD holders working at Egyptian universities or research institutes.

For more information, kindly check the WAP information sheet available on the [DAAD Cairo website](#).

11. DAAD funding line for short-term cooperation with universities in Egypt and Tunisia

In the framework of the German-Egyptian transformation partnership, since 2012 the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) has supported a wide array

of measures that aim to strengthen the higher education sectors in Egypt and Tunisia. Applications for new short-term projects in 2014 can be submitted now. For detailed information on the application procedure, see the [information sheet](#).