

Call for Application

On behalf of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) the Brandenburg University of Technology Cottbus-Senftenberg in Cottbus is organizing the

International DAAD Alumni Seminar

**“Development of a renewable energy technology market in developing countries -
Knowledge and technology transfer for utilization of solar energy”**

June 2nd - 09th 2015
in Cottbus, Germany

followed by a

visit to the world's leading solar Trade Fair "Intersolar Europe 2015"

June 10th - 12th 2015
in Munich, Germany

The seminar and trade fair visit are part of the program DAAD Alumni Special Projects. The seminar is organized and hosted by the Department of Civil Law and Public Law with References to the Law of Europe and the Environment of the Faculty of Environmental Sciences and Process Engineering at BTU Cottbus-Senftenberg (Prof. Dr. Eike Albrecht, www.tu-cottbus.de/recht). The costs will be mainly covered by funds from the DAAD provided by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ).

The seminar targets Germany alumni from developing countries (nationals of countries in the [DAC list](#) of developing countries) who carried out research or studied in Germany for at least 3 months and are presently living and working in their home countries. The alumni should have a background in academic fields relevant to energy and work experience in industry and business relating to solar energy generation, transmission, distribution, application; manufacturing and sale of solar energy products; design; consultancy; project developers; planners; industrial research and development; educational institutions and related fields. The prospective participants should be potential multipliers who will disseminate the acquired knowledge and promote the adoption of solar energy technologies in their respective countries.

The seminar is designed to offer its participants an opportunity to have a profound insight into solar energy technologies options for development and growth in rural areas in the global south. It will promote creative exchange of ideas between alumni and the project staff in the field of solar energy, facilitates international scientific cooperation and strengthens participants' capacity in the field of energy law and policy; solar energy potential contribution to energy sustainability, network stability,

technologies as well as application of innovative solar energy systems in developing countries. The seminar will enhance scientific knowledge and good practices with respect to solar energy generation and utilization. In addition, it will enhance exchange of experiences, establishment of international networks between the alumni, scientific discourse and international academic cooperation in the field of solar energy. It will foster ideas with respect to joint research projects, technological development and the transfer of knowledge and technology on solar energy.

The Topics of the DAAD Alumni Seminar are:

- Planning, law and policy
- Solar energy application and production
- Solar energy in developing countries
- Solar energy's industrial application
- Grid stability/ Innovative solar energy systems

Participants' Profile:

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- Potential multipliers who will disseminate the acquired knowledge and promote the adoption of solar energy technologies in their respective countries.

The Programme in Cottbus will include:

- Lectures by BTU academic staff,
- Papers and country case studies presented by the alumni and resource persons,
- Group work and discussions,
- Practical insight into solar energy recent technological development, photovoltaic and e-solars installations at BTU Cottbus,
- Excursions to the world's largest solar energy complex (Solarpark Senftenberg) and another renowned solar energy technology company (Phönix SonnenWärme AG Berlin),
- German cultural event.

Cost Coverage (The following expenses will mainly be covered by funds of the DAAD provided by the BMZ.):

- International travel ticket to Cottbus and from Munich.
- Transport from Cottbus to "Intersolar Europe 2015" Munich (by train),
- Transport from the Hotel in Munich to Munich Airport,
- Entrance fees at the Trade Fair in Munich
- Accommodation and living expenses based on a fixed daily allowance during the stay in Cottbus and Munich,
- Travel health insurance and visa costs for the stay in Germany.

All other costs, such as transport costs from participants' home town to their home airport or travel costs for visa application in the home country have to be borne by the participants. Please keep in mind that living expenses are only covered partly during your stay in Cottbus as well as in Munich.

Application Requirements and Process:

Please send your application by **6th of April 2015** via email to: ateghemm@tu-cottbus.de

The application (in English language) must include the following documents in **one single pdf file**:

- A **letter of application**, stating your motivation for participation and your special interest in the topic,
- A **short CV** with personal data (please add list: Surname, First Name, Organization (in English), Department (in English), City, Country, Phone: E-Mail (one address only): PhD-candidate (yes or no), student (yes or no), former participation in an Alumni Special Project (yes or no), information on studies at home and in Germany and professional development,
- An **abstract** on a topic relevant to the seminar which displays your involvement in solar technology in your home country (the main topics are listed above; abstracts must not exceed one page; please use font type "Arial", font size 11, 1.5 line spacing),
- A **short description of your present duties/position and your personal professional goals**, indicating your envisaged field of activities and duty level,
- An **overview** on seminars, workshops or conferences visited in Germany after finishing your studies in Germany,
- A **passport size portrait photograph**.

The seminar will be held in English, hence English proficiency is essential to follow the presentations and participate in the discussions. It is necessary to participate in the whole program (seminar, trade fair visit and social program).

The program for the visit to the solar trade fair "Intersolar Europe 2015" and the International Conference on Solar Technology and Engineering is prepared by the DAAD.

All applicants will be informed about the results of the selection process in April 2015.

Travel Dates:

The date of arrival in Germany will be *June 2nd 2015* (arrival at Berlin either Airport Berlin Tegel or Airport Berlin Schönefeld).

The date of departure from Germany will be *June 13th 2015* (departure from Munich).

For any further questions please contact the organization team:

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