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DIES Project

Call for applications for PhD students at Université Mohammed V in Morocco to the University of Cologne in Germany

Are you a PhD student at Université Mohammed V? Do you have an innovative start-up idea for example in sustainable energy, energy efficiency or artificial intelligence? Are you working with the Innovation Center at Université Mohammed V? You want to develop your business idea with the international incubators at the University of Cologne? You want to network with local start-ups in one of Germany's and Europe's leading ecosystems? Then this scholarship call is for you.

Project's framework

ADENIN "Advancing in Entrepreneurship and Innovation" is a DIES partnership project of the Université Mohammed V in Morocco and the University of Cologne, Germany. The project supports the implementation of entrepreneurship and internationalization strategies at Mohammed V in Morocco, as well as at the University of Cologne. In this regard, the incubators at both universities serve as co-incubators and help develop an in-depth exchange, to face the challenges of international entrepreneurship and to link the start-up eco-systems in both cities. Within this project, a scholarship for a PhD research stay at the University of Cologne is offered for a period of up to five months. The grant covers up to 800 Euros for travel reimbursement in addition to 1200 Euros scholarship per month for 5 months maximum.

The chosen participant will have the opportunity during their stay to attend (entrepreneurial) events, (online) courses at the University of Cologne, to develop his/her business ideas and plans under the guidance of experienced trainers with the incubator GATEWAY in the Cologne and to build a start-up network in Cologne.

Start of the stay:

5 months research stay can be commenced between April and August 2021

Prerequisite for participation:

- The candidate should have a detailed start-up plan.
- Projects in the following areas are not mandatory, however, it would be an advantage: Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy, Artificial Intelligence, Agriculture or health sector related in general.
- Professional relation with the Centre d'Entrepreneuriat at Université Mohammed V.
- Established network or contacts with trainers/students/lecturers/local start-ups in Germany would be an advantage.
- Proficiency in the English language is necessary (German would be an asset).

Required documents:

(uploaded as PDF on: <https://form.jotform.com/210543829328357>)

- CV
- Proof of enrollment at Université Mohammed V as a PhD student.
- Letter of motivation (expected outcomes of the stay in Germany in relation to the start-up idea as well as your work at the Innovation Center at Université Mohammed V should be highlighted in the motivation letter). The letter should not exceed 1,5 page.
- A project proposal (not more than 2 pages)
- Letter of recommendation from a professor at Université Mohammed V, ideally from the supervisor of your dissertation (an additional letter of recommendation from a professor at the University of Cologne would be an advantage)
- Proof of proficiency in the English language

Application deadline: **14.03.2021**

Results to be announced: **21.03.2021**