DAAD / DIES Cooperation projects regarding Quality Assurance in Africa
Agenda

1. DIES Programme and QA Projects

2. DIES QA Projects
   - Objectives and tools
   - Examples
   - Success factors and lessons learnt
Dialogue on Innovative Higher Education Strategies (DIES): Joint Venture of DAAD with the German Rectors‘ Conference (HRK)

**Dialogue**

- DIES Conferences
- DIES Visits
- DIES Seminars

... fosters the exchange on topics of higher education management and quality assurance

**Training Courses**

- International Deans’ Course
- Proposal Writing
- UNILEAD
- Internationalisation
- Quality Doctoral Education
- NMT (Alumni)

... equip university managers with skills for innovative higher education management

**Partnerships**

- DIES Partnerships

.... facilitate cooperation between German universities and their partners in developing countries in order to set up efficient management structures

**Projects**

- DIES Projects

.... in-depth collaboration with regional partners on a specific topic - combination of all available DIES instruments
Objective: Strengthening the quality of the higher education systems

DIES Projects in various (sub-)regions

1. **Central America**
   - **2004-2007** cooperation with the Central American Association of University Rectors (CSUCA)

2. **East Africa**
   - **2006-2015** cooperation with the Inter-University Council for East Africa (IUCEA)

3. **Southeast Asia (ASEAN QA)**
   - **Since 2011** cooperation with AQAN, AUN, SEAMEO RIHED and ENQA

4. **West and Central Africa (EWAQAS)**
   - **Since 2013** in cooperation with AAU, CAMES, UNESCO, UNESCO IIEP, UEMOA, ANAQ-Sup

5. **Southern Africa (SADC)**
   - **Since 2017 activities** in cooperation with SAQAN, SARUA, CHE, UNESCO IIEP
DIES Projects
combination of tools

1. Capacity building measures
   ✓ Workshops and conferences
   ✓ Training courses

2. Policy dialogue, information and sensitization
   ✓ Policy briefs and studies
   ✓ Round tables, high level dialogue events
   ✓ Delegation visits for leaders

3. Support of networks and exchange
   ✓ Part-funding of network meetings
   ✓ Involvement of networks in all project activities

✓ Delegation visits for leaders
DIES Project in East Africa (2006-2015)

Activities

- Capacity building for QA practitioners
- Development and use of the QA handbook
- Foundation of the East African Quality Assurance Network (EAQAN)
- EAQAN-Forum, annual conference
- Benchmarking for selected subjects

Activities

- Training for Policy Makers, Focus EQA
- Training University Staff, Focus IQA
- Conferences, workshops and delegation visits
- Multiplication and dissemination (Handbooks, Policy briefs)
- Foundation of QA networks and alumni support (NMT, ToT)
Support in Southern Africa (2017 – )

Activities

Regional Conference on QA (needs analysis)

Study on QA in the region

Training for Policy Makers, Focus EQA. Planned: IQA Training Course
Creating synergies: HAQAA and DAAD/DIES

- Exchange of experts and expertise
- Extended scope for dissemination of knowledge and useful material (course modules)
- Extended knowledge for DAAD on state of the art in continental Africa and new contacts and ideas for programme lines or course adaptation
- Course experiences of DAAD/DIES are used for realizing needs oriented training within HAQAA
- Sharing of cross-regional good practices