

DAAD / DIES Cooperation projects regarding Quality Assurance in Africa

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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



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

- **DIES Conferences**
- **DIES Visits**
- **DIES Seminars**

Training Courses



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

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

Partnerships



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

- **DIES Partnerships**

Projects



... in-depth collaboration with regional partners on a specific topic - combination of all available DIES instruments

- **DIES Projects**

Objective:

Strengthening the quality of the higher education systems

Projects



... in-depth collaboration with regional partners on a specific topic - combination of all available DIES instruments

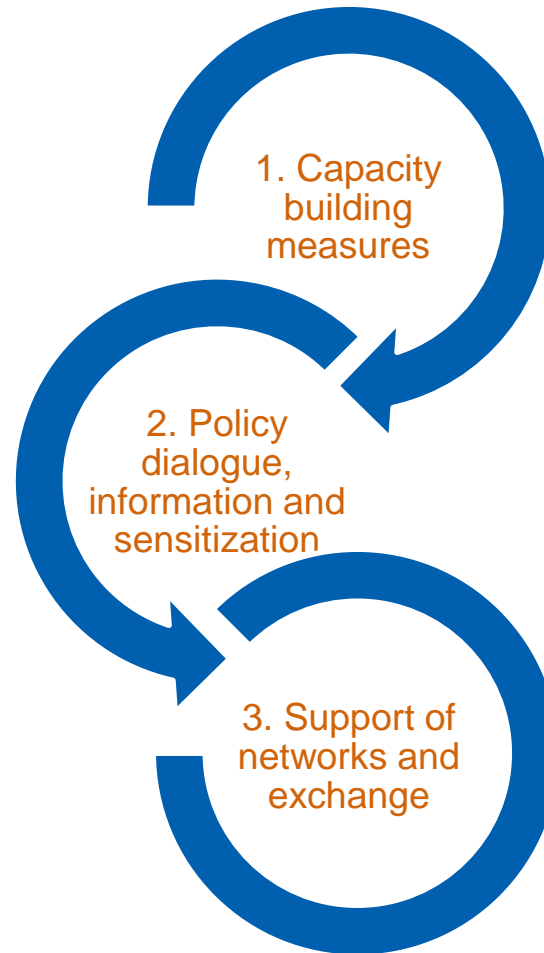
DIES Projects in various (sub-)regions

- 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

- ✓ Policy briefs and studies
- ✓ Round tables, high level dialogue events
- ✓ Delegation visits for leaders



- ✓ Workshops and conferences
- ✓ Training courses

- ✓ Part-funding of network meetings
- ✓ Involvement of networks in all project activities

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

DIES Project in West and Central Africa (2013 – 2019)

Activities



Training for Policy Makers, Focus EQA

Training University Staff, Focus IQA



Conferences, workshops and delegation visits



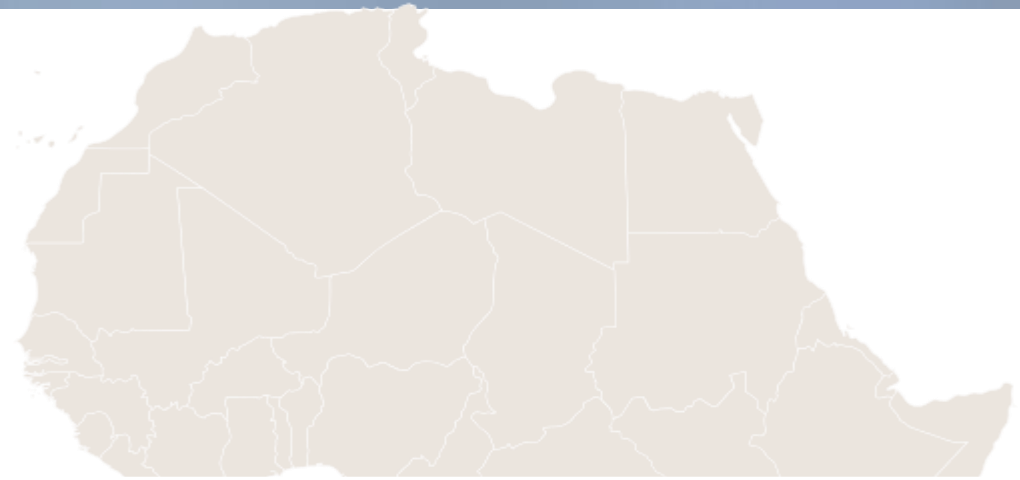
Multiplication and dissemination
(Handbooks, Policy briefs)



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 → 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