



## Ta'ziz Partnership

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) has designed a new programme – the Ta'ziz Partnership – which will run **between 2023 and 2025** and specifically target partnerships between German higher education and research institutions and partners in the following MENA-countries: primarily Tunisia, Sudan, **Lebanon** and **Iraq**, but also Egypt, Algeria, Yemen, **Jordan**, Libya and Morocco.

The programme is aligned with [the regional concept of the German Federal Foreign office \(AA\), which goes by the same name](#) and followed the review of the “Transformation Partnership” which had been supported since 2012.

The program facilitates dialog spaces for reform efforts in the higher education sectors and in the societies of the participating partner countries. This is done also in close collaboration with non-university actors. The programme actively promotes the involvement of actors from non-university science and research, the public sector (e.g. politics, administration, state-owned enterprises), the economy (e.g. private companies, industrial enterprises) or civil society (e.g. NGOs, associations, foundations). Special attention is paid in all program lines to the participation of women, diversity and increasing the practical orientation to improve the employability of the participants. The involvement of Germany-alumnae/alumni is explicitly welcomed.

This is done through **three program lines**:

1. Ta'ziz Kurzmaßnahmen (short-term measures) support the establishment and/or expansion of professional cooperation through, for example, fact-finding-missions. Also, existing, possibly already funded partnerships and established scientific relationships are brought to a conclusion or intensified/consolidated through short-term measures such as exchange of students or scientists, (digital) conferences, summer schools or other events, and the development of concepts of products for teaching, research and/or university management.

The funding period is a maximum of 12 months, and universities can apply for funding **twice a year**. The next call for applications will be announced in April 2023. Each partnership can receive funding of up to EUR 40.000.

2. Ta'ziz Wissenschaftskooperationen (scientific collaborations) are partnerships in which partners can flexibly combine the fields of teaching, research, and university management in accordance with their own priorities. Establishing innovative teaching methods, improving the transfer of knowledge from research results into teaching or into society, improving the employability of graduates and/or building/strengthening management capacities can be possible fields of activities.

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3. Ta'ziz networks can unfold across several countries in the target region and integrate partners from both the science sector (universities and non-university science/research) and civil society, business, and the public sector. Strategies will be developed on how science in general and the network's disciplines in particular can contribute to reforms and processes in the countries and systems of the region - through exchange, networking, knowledge transfer and communication with, as well as participation of, non-university actors.

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**Only German higher education or research institutions are eligible to apply but must do so in close cooperation with partners from the target countries/target region.** The application also includes a detailed description of the specific goals which are intended to be achieved and of the indicators, which are to be used as signifiers.

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