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## Call for Scholarship Applications 2022

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Development (BMZ)

**“In-Country/In-Region Scholarship Programme” Sub-Saharan Africa at  
University of Abomey-Calavi, International Chair in Mathematical Physics and  
Applications (CIPMA – UNESCO Chair) in Benin**

**Background:** DAAD through the “In-Country/In-Region Scholarship Programme” funded by the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), offers scholarships for PhD and Master Studies. The programme aims at fostering strong, internationally oriented higher education systems in Sub-Saharan Africa with the capacity to contribute to sustainable development.

It has been agreed upon that DAAD cooperates with University of Abomey-Calavi, International Chair in Mathematical Physics and Applications by offering up to 2 In-Region and 1 In-Country scholarships for PhD and up to 9 In-Region and 3 In-Country scholarships for Master studies at University of Abomey-Calavi, International Chair in Mathematical Physics and Applications for the intake 2021.

**Application fields:**

- International Master Programme in Oceanography and Applications
- International PhD Programme in Oceanography and Applications

**Language of application:** All applications **MUST** be submitted in English.

**Target group: graduates and postgraduates from Sub-Saharan Africa or Others:**

The Master programme is aimed at students in their **second** (and last) **year** of the Master’s degree and therefore the programme is generally only funded for one year and is usually starting in October.

But with a Master’s degree, if applying for the doctoral programme **who want to pursue studies in Oceanography** in their home country or in another Sub-Saharan African country. Applicants should be university staff or academically trained personnel of public sector.

**Number of scholarships:** 1 Doctorates & 3 Masters from Benin  
2 Doctorates & 9 Masters from other Sub-Saharan countries

**Eligibility criteria** – To be admitted in the Master programme (**2nd year only**), applicants must hold a Master 1 level academic degree or a master degree in Physics, Chemistry, Oceanography, mathematics or related domain to oceanography. For the doctoral programme, applicants must hold a Master's degree in Oceanography. In addition, applicants must fit DAAD eligibility criteria, available on DAAD portal

**How to apply** – The application process contains two steps

**First step:** Applicants must apply for their studies at University of Abomey-Calavi, International Chair in Mathematical Physics and Applications by submitting (priority by email to two emails listed below) to Professor Hounkonnou:

- *An application form ;*
- *A Motivation letter*
- *An application letter addressed to ICMIPA Holder ;*
- *Copies of degrees / diplomas ;*
- *Academic transcripts;*
- *A curriculum vitae ;*
- *Proof of proficiency in English if you are from French country*
- *Certified copy of your birth certificate*

**Application file for doctoral candidates includes:**

- Cover letter of application to ICMIPA Holder
- Motivation letter to the ICMIPA Holder
- Concept note of the research project (not more than 10 pages)
- Curriculum vitae including if possible a list of scientific publications
- Academic transcripts with explanation of the grading system.
- Copy of certificates for the Master
- Reference letter from a lecturer-researcher

**ICMIPA UNESCO CHAIR Deadline: 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

**Second step:** DAAD reserves the right of final selection. Only the pre-selected candidates are asked to log into the DAAD portal, register themselves and submit a DAAD application. **DAAD Deadline: 17 February 2022.** More details are available **on DAAD partail.**

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