



## Offer of Scholarship for 2014

to the Collaborative Masters Program in Agricultural and Applied Economics in Eastern, Central and Southern Africa (CMAAE), a programme initiative of the African Economic Research Consortium (AERC)

### What are the objectives of the programme?

**DAAD**, as a publicly funded, self-governing organisation of the institutions of higher education in Germany, promotes international academic exchange as well as educational co-operation with developing countries through a variety of funding and scholarship programmes.

**CMAAE**, a programme initiative of the African Economic Research Consortium (AERC), is a Collaborative Master of Science Programme in Agricultural and Applied Economics in Eastern and Southern Africa. The programme draws participation from 16 universities in 12 countries of Eastern, Central and Southern Africa.

The objective of this support is to promote the graduate training programme in Agricultural and Applied Economics Studies offered by CMAAE.

It has been agreed upon that DAAD co-operates with CMAAE by offering up to 5 in-region scholarships for a Master of Science Programme in Agricultural and Applied Economics.

### Eligible Applicants

#### Applicants

- must be nominated by the Acting Director of CMAAE.
- must have completed their last university degree less than 6 years ago at the time of application.
- must be nationals of a Sub-Saharan African country.
- coming from non-accredited institutions are eligible for DAAD funding for studies at one of the seven accredited universities.
- may not apply for studies in their home countries.

*Female applicants and candidates from less privileged regions or groups will be especially encouraged to participate in the programme.*

### Eligible Fields

Agricultural & Rural Development; Agricultural Policy & Trade; Environment and Natural Resource Management; Agribusiness Management

### Place of Tenure

University of Zimbabwe (Zimbabwe), University of Pretoria (South Africa), Makerere University (Uganda), Bunda College of Agriculture (Malawi), Sokoine University of Agricultural Sciences (Tanzania), Egerton University & University of Nairobi (Kenya).

### Duration and Commencement

The duration of the Master's programme is two years.

### Application Procedure and Deadline

CMAAE will screen, pre-select and short-list the applications, then forward pre-selected applications (max. 15 to 20) to the DAAD office in Nairobi. DAAD reserves the right of final selection. The complete documents for studies in Uganda, Zimbabwe, Malawi, Tanzania and Kenya (application form, signed information sheet, letter of motivation, CV, recommendation letter by Head of Department and certified copy of university degree certificates including transcripts) should be submitted to the DAAD office in Nairobi not later than **June 30<sup>th</sup> 2014**. Applications for studies at the University of Pretoria should be submitted by **15<sup>th</sup> November 2014** at the latest. Incomplete applications or applications that reach DAAD after the above mentioned deadline will not be considered.

### Terms and Conditions

CMAAE has to provide a detailed report about the academic progress of the supported students and the use of the funds once a year.  
The scholarships are initially granted for one year and can be extended upon receipt of an application for renewal by using the provided form.  
The scholarship holders have to submit a copy of their degree certificate after completion of studies.

### Financial Obligations

DAAD's funding will consist of a total amount of US\$ 21,450.00 per scholarship holder covering the stipend and other related costs according to the budget. This amount will be granted to each scholarship holder as follows:

US\$ 10,800.00 for the first year  
US\$ 10,650.00 for the second year

The scholarship holder shall be entitled to receive US\$ 5,000.00 per year for accommodation and subsistence according to the budget (see below). The remaining funds will be administered by CMAAE. They are intended to cover the expenses for tuition fees and other related costs according to the calculation stated below.

CMAAE will contribute to the programme by ensuring that general costs of infrastructure for running the programme are covered.

The funds for university fees and research and monitoring will be transferred to CMAAE at the beginning of the academic year. The allowances for living costs will be paid in two instalments; at the beginning and six months after. The funds for the second year will be released after the extension of the scholarships has been granted.

#### Banking details:

Account holder: African Economic Research Consortium Inc.  
Account No.: 349 55 438  
Bank: Citybank N.A. 330 Madison Avenue, New York, USA  
Sort Code: 021 00 00 89

### Value

Item	Year 1 / US \$	Year 2 / US \$
Fees at host university	2,000.00	2,000.00
Research and academic monitoring (incl. operating costs at shared facility, thesis supervision and support, travel costs, insurance, books and other charges etc.)	3,800.00	3,650.00
Stipend to cover the average living expenses for 12 months	5,000.00	5,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10,800.00</b>	<b>10,650.00</b>

The total sum for two years amounts to US\$ 21,450.00 per student.

### General Ruling

The two parties may clarify or alter the provisions of scholarships only upon prior consultation and mutual consent in writing only.

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