



Call for Applications Virtual Stay Sponsorships ACCESS - 2021

Tunis in 10-09-2021

Within the framework of the DAAD-funded research project "ACCESS", the African Centre for Career, Enhancement & Skills Support, jointly conducted by the University of Tunis and the University of Leipzig (Germany) in partnership with six African universities whose objective is to develop initiatives, strategies and activities that support employability in the respective partner countries: Benin, Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, Rwanda and Tunisia, we are offering, grants for the year 2021 to encourage young faculty researchers to develop activities related to the program's area of interest.

Web site: <https://access-centre.org>

Despite the current global mobility restriction, the **ACCESS Center** is seeking to facilitate the advanced development of **innovative ideas, methods, and training approaches by young teachers** to promote "**employability**" and, ideally, open up career paths for students. This is why the ACCESS program (University of Tunis/University of Leipzig), will offer **three grants** called "virtual stay" to the selected candidates. Recipients will be able to focus on the development of solutions in the field of **Humanities and Social Sciences**. This grant will last three months (**October - November - December 2021**). The outputs and results developed by the successful applicants will be **disseminated in the ACCESS network channels**.

Mobility is not included. The beneficiaries will be working from home and collaborating via **Zoom**.



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1. What we offer

- The virtual stay sponsorship will provide you a funding of usually **975 EUR per month** for the duration of 3 month in order to facilitate dedicated work on the development of your idea, method or training approach
- Close interaction and workshops with the University of Tunis and University of Leipzig.
- Dissemination of the outcome of your work in the ACCESS channels with your name as the author.
- Promotion of the best and publishable results within the ACCESS Network
- A certificate of the ACCESS Centre as a reference for your personal professional development.
- Access to the international ACCESS network to enhance your professional network.

2. You can apply if

- a-** You have recently completed at least an above average master degree (not more than 6 years ago) or you are actively involved in teaching and research
- b-** You want to propose an idea/method or teaching approach that solves a pressing challenge in the areas and fields developed by the ACCESS Program.
- c-** You want to make this product of yours known in the ACCESS network and beyond
- d-** You are eager to contribute to change the employment perspective of African talents

3. How to apply

- a-** Submit your professional CV.
- b-** Write a cover letter that explains how you want to address the issues related to the main theme of ACCESS (graduate employability).
- c-** Be sure to include a precise problem statement including the definition of the groups affected
- d-** Demonstrate your ability to deliver a solution



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4. Selection Process

- a- A committee of 3 experts from the ACCESS-Tunisia Program will select the beneficiaries of this grant on the basis of the quality of the proposal and the motivations of the applicants.
- b- The result of this call will be presented, in early November, at the monthly meeting of the ACCESS Board of Directors.

5. Submission of Applications

The application must be sent by mail to the following e-mail address:

acesstunisie2020@gmail.com

6. Call for applications calendar

- a- Publication of the call: **Friday, September 10th, 2021**
- b- Closing of applications: **Monday, September 20th, 2021**
- c- Selection and result: **Thursday September 30th, 2021.**

(Successful applicants will be notified by return email on Thursday, September 30, 2021).

The ACCESS network looks forward to seeing innovations inspired by you! Apply now.

Note: Women and people with disabilities will be given preference in case of equal qualification.

Pr. Hamadi TIZAOUI
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