



Creating Perspectives through Education Higher Education Support to Refugees in Europe and Host Countries in the Region

European seminar

11/12 May 2016

Permanent Representation of the Federal Republic of Germany to the EU, Brussels

Wednesday, 11 May 2016

Integration of Refugees into the European Higher Education System

- 13:30 Registration and welcome coffee
- 14:00 **Welcome**
Ambassador Dr. Peter Rösgen, Deputy Permanent Representative of Germany to the European Union
Peter Greisler, Head of Directorate Universities, Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), Germany
- 14:20 **Introduction to the Refugee Context and Higher Education Programmes Supporting Refugees in Germany**
Dr. Dorothea Rüländ, Secretary General, DAAD
- 14:50 **The European Migration Challenge: An Integration Action Plan**
Laura Corrado, Head of Unit Legal Migration and Integration, Directorate General for Migration and Home Affairs, European Commission
- 15:10 **A European Approach towards the Integration of Refugees into the Higher Education System**
Julie Anderson, Policy Officer Higher Education, Directorate General for Education and Culture, European Commission
- 15:30 Coffee break



16:00

Parallel workshops	
Recognition, Integration, Enrolment <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marina Malgina, Head of Recognition of Refugees' Qualifications, Department of Foreign Education, NOKUT, Norway• Patricia Staaf, Director of the Center for Academic Teaching, University of Malmö, Sweden• Katharina Riehle, Head of Section, Higher Education Programmes for Refugees, DAAD <p><u>Moderator:</u> Katharina Maschke, Head of Section, Strategic Development and Higher Education Policy, DAAD</p>	Language Learning, Online Education <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vanessa Debiais-Sainton, Head of Sector Erasmus+ Higher Education, DG Education and Culture, European Commission• Vincent Zimmer, Managing Director, Kiron Open Education, Germany• George Ubachs, Managing Director, European Association of Distance Teaching Universities• Anja Lorenz, Research Assistant, University of Applied Sciences, Lübeck <p><u>Moderators:</u> Christian Müller, Director Strategy & Katrin Haufe-Wadle, Senior Desk Officer Digital Learning, DAAD</p>

17:20

Panel Discussion: Where do we need European Action?

- *Julie Anderson, Policy Officer Higher Education, DG Education and Culture, European Commission*
- *Michael Gäbel, Director Higher Education Policy, European University Association (EUA)*
- *Peter Greisler, Head of Directorate Universities, Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), Germany*
- *Patricia Staaf, Director of the Center for Academic Teaching, University of Malmö, Sweden (tbc)*

Moderator: Christian Müller, Director of Strategy, DAAD

18:20

Wrap-up / end of seminar day

18:30

NETWORKING RECEPTION AND SHORT PRESENTATION OF THE HOPES PROJECT



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Supporting Refugees in Host Countries in the Region and Addressing Root Causes of Migration through Higher and Further Education Support

- 9:00 Registration and welcome coffee
- 9:30 **Welcome**
Herrn Dr. Thomas Eckert, Minister Counsellor, Deputy Head of Political Department, Permanent Representation of the Federal Republic of Germany to the European Union
- Representative of the German Foreign Office (AA)*
- Dr. Dorothea Rüländ, Secretary General, DAAD*
- 10:00 **Creating Perspectives for Syrian Refugees in Host Countries in the Region**
- The EU Regional Trust Fund Madad Fund**
Nadim Karkutli, Manager Madad Fund, Directorate General for Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations (DG NEAR), European Commission
- HOPES – Higher and Further Education Opportunities and Perspectives for Syrians**
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Dr. Carsten Walbiner, HOPES Project Director, DAAD
- 11:00 Coffee break
- 11:30 **Protection Needs and Guidelines in Higher Education Support Programmes Targeting Refugees**
Johannes Tarvainen, Education Officer, UNHCR



12:00 **European Union Support for Refugees and in Tackling Root Causes of Migration through Education Measures**

The Emergency Trust Fund for Africa

Hans Christian Stausboll, Head of Unit, Development Coordination East Africa and Regional Cooperation in Eastern and Southern Africa, Directorate General for International Cooperation and Development (DG DevCo), European Commission

The Refugee Facility for Turkey

Ruud Van Enk, Refugee Facility Turkey, Directorate General for Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations (DG NEAR), European Commission

12:45 Lunch

13:45 Moderated discussion

Creating Employment Opportunities through Higher Education Support Measures – long-term perspectives for refugees and communities in migration-affected regions

- **Platform for the Development of Entrepreneurs and SMEs in Africa, Ghana & Kenya**, *Prof. Dr. Jürgen Bode, Project Leader, Bonn Rhein-Sieg University of Applied Sciences, Germany*
- **LASER – Language, Academic Skills and E-learning Resources for Syrian refugees in Jordan**, *Gail Campbell, MENA Director for Education, British Council*
- **Capacity-building for Higher Education institutions within Erasmus+**, *Directorate General for Education and Culture, European Commission (tbc)*

Moderated by Michael Hörig, Head of Section, Development Cooperation: Partnership programmes and Higher Education Management, DAAD

14:45 **Seminar wrap-up and good-bye**
Dr. Dorothea Rüländ, Secretary General, DAAD

15:00 End of seminar