

Call for applications

Workshop: Female academic careers in Africa

German Historical Institute Paris (GHIP), Merian Institute of Advanced Studies Africa (MIASA), Heinrich Böll Foundation

Hybrid format (online and multi-sites)

22-25 June 2021

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Schedule:

3 May 2021: Deadline for sending applications

17 May 2021: Announcement of selected participants

22-25 June 2021: Workshop sessions (online and multi-site)

What opportunities and solutions exist to imagine, plan and promote national and international women's academic careers? This fourth workshop Female Academic Careers in Africa aims to discuss the challenges and opportunities of female academic careers in African contexts. It will include two roundtables and a training session. The first round table, on research funding, will bring together personalities from the world of research with experience in funding agencies. The second round table will bring together women academics working in different African countries who will discuss the issue of evaluation institutions, continental and intercontinental experience, and the evolution of their careers within the university or research centres. The two round tables will be followed by a time of exchange in small groups. A preliminary training session, in French and in English, will be devoted to the gendered writing of applications and cover letters.

The workshop is intended for female researchers from African countries and/or affiliated to African universities at the beginning of their careers (priority will be given to postdocs in social sciences and humanities), who will be able to exchange on their professional experiences, reflect together on career prospects and strengthen their networks. Its format will be hybrid. Two or three selected women researchers from the same country will meet in the same place to follow the online workshop. An experienced researcher will also be invited to facilitate the discussions in each group. The online exchanges will be bilingual French/English with translation.

The workshop is funded by the Max Weber Foundation, German Humanities Institutes Abroad of the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) as part of the Women's Promotion Program of the Maria Sibylla Merian Institute for Advanced Studies in Africa (MIASA) based at the University of Ghana (Legon). In partnership with the German Historical Institute in Paris (IHA), a member of MIASA, which is conducting an international research programme based in Dakar in collaboration with the Centre for Research on Social Policies (CREPOS). It also benefits from the collaboration of the Heinrich Böll Foundation in Senegal.

Applications



Applications should be sent by **3 May 2021** in one PDF file to candidature-dakar@dhi-paris.fr specifying "Women's workshop application" in the subject line. For more information, please send a message to candidature-dakar@dhi-paris.fr specifying "Women's workshop information" in the subject line of the message. It should include:

- a CV,
- a motivation letter to participate in the workshop
- An abstract of the research project (max 300 words). Please also indicate the call(s) for funding that you would like to apply for (past or ongoing, listed below or not).

If you are selected, we will ask you to send us a two pages presentation of your project.

Examples of calls for applications for research grants can be found at

- <https://www.ug.edu.gh/mias-africa/fellowship-programme>,
- <https://www.ssrc.org/fellowships/>
- <https://www.daad.de/en/study-and-research-in-germany/scholarships/dlr-daad-research-fellowships/>,
- <https://stias.ac.za/fellowships/iso-lomso/>
- <https://www.codesria.org/spip.php?rubrique68&lang=fr>
- <https://www.westafricanresearchassociation.org/fellowships/>
- <https://www.auf.org/ressources-et-services/bourses/>
- <https://www.humboldt-foundation.de/en/apply/sponsorship-programmes/georg-forster-research-fellowship>
- a site where you can also find calls for proposals on this site: <https://fundit.fr/fr/>,