

Dear Madams and Sirs,

As your faculty is an official partner of the DAAD funded Thematic network "SEE | EU Cluster of Excellence in European and International Law" we want to inform you about the possibility for research stays at the Europa-Institut of Saarland University that is one of this project's basic components. In that sense, we are happy to announce that the scholarships for professors and Ph.D. candidates for the year of 2019 are now available.

At the moment, according to the funding we received, we are able fund one Ph.D. candidate from every faculty for one month to research at our institute. But we are only able to fund one professor/post doc from the faculties in Belgrade, Tirana and Skopje as well as 3 professors/post docs from SEELS (all other partners will be funded in 2020). The scholarship includes a lump-sum for travel and accommodation costs and should take place and be implemented until 31st of December 2019.

Below please find the list of the lump sum costs planed for each region. Please note that they were calculated in accordance with the regional average costs for this type of activities.

1. Travel costs (lump-sum):

Albania	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Croatia	Macedonia	Serbia
325 €	350 €	350€	250 €	275 €

2. Accommodation costs (lump-sum):

Professors	min. 15 days	1335 €
Ph.D. candidates	1 month	400 €

The library of the Europa-Institut, as a special library for literature in European and International Law, as well as the faculty library and the university library are equipped not only with German literature but also with a big collection of English books as well as with literature on many other foreign languages. We have access to the main databases and we participate in the inter-library loan so that we are able to get all necessary publications. The library of the Europa-Institut serves also as an official EDC (European Documentation Center) of the European Union. It contains over 60.000 printed resources and it is an up to date and a user friendly library. The literature is freely accessible and sorted systematically according to subject area in the Systematic Catalogue. The available books are listed in the Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC) of Saarland University and State Library. In addition to classic information sources, you will have access to the main legal online databases, e-books, library catalogues and master' theses.

Finally we hope that you or someone from your faculty will be interested in a research stay at the Europa-Institut, in which case, please contact us. Furthermore, we would kindly ask you to encourage all interested candidates from your faculty to apply for a scholarship for a research stay until <u>24th March 2019</u>. The application should include a CV, a letter of motivation and a research proposal in one pdf document.

In case that there is no interest at your faculty in a research stay at your institution for 2019 please inform us. Since scholarships have to be awarded until the end of each year, we will, in the case you are not able to find someone, shift the place to another partner, so that we do not lose the money. A transfer of money to the next year is unfortunately not possible. The research stays can be implemented until end of February 2020.

Should you need any additional information or have any additional questions please do not hesitate to contact:

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Best regards from the Europa-Institut,

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