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AfricaLics Visiting PhD Fellowship

The AfricaLics Visiting PhD Fellowship programme offers African PhD students in the field of innovation and development an opportunity to study abroad at Aalborg University, Denmark for approx. five months as part of their PhD studies.

The objectives of AfricaLics Visiting PhD Fellowship

To expose African PhD students to an international research environment and access to scientific literature/databases.

To give African PhD students time away from home to focus on their PhD dissertation.

To enhance the African PhD students' prospects for taking part in innovation and innovation research in their home countries, thus helping to foster social and economic development.



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The activities of the AfricaLics Visiting PhD Fellowship

To complement studies at home institutions, African PhD students are offered a study stay at the department of Business and Management at Aalborg University, which includes supplementary supervision by assigned mentors from Aalborg University; feed-back from assigned discussants on presentations of PhD project; participation in selected PhD training courses; inputs from other senior scholars from the AfricaLics and Globelics community involved in the AfricaLics/Globelics PhD academies and interaction with home institution supervisor during visit to Aalborg University (trilateral meetings with PhD student and mentors from Aalborg University).

The organization of AfricaLics Visiting PhD Fellowship

Funding for the AfricaLics Visiting PhD Fellowship has so far been provided by the Swedish development agency (Sida) as part of a larger grant supporting the development of the AfricaLics research network. It is expected that funding for the fellowship programme will also be available from 2017-2020.

The AfricaLics Visiting PhD Fellowship essentially covers travel costs for the PhD students to and from Denmark, a monthly stipend aimed at covering accommodation and living costs, participation in selected course activities, supervision, travel, room and board for the home supervisor in relation to their visit at Aalborg University.

Testimonial

"A clearer understanding of innovation, a good exposure to international way of learning, and my PhD has been widely improved"

Former AfricaLics Visiting PhD Fellow

"Opportunities of this type are very rare in developing economies, and he (PhD student) has taken the maximum of it."

Home institution supervisor of former AfricaLics Visiting PhD Fellow