



Call for Applications

“Research in Germany” Press Tour

“The Future of Work”, 21–26 October 2018

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) invites a delegation of 15 international science journalists on a press tour to Germany on the future of work from 21 to 26 October 2018.

The topic: the future of work

The way we are working is changing fast. Digitisation, automation and globalisation are having a profound impact on the world of work. How and where will we work in the future? What kind of skills and education will we need? Will robots and intelligent machines take our jobs? This press tour picks up the topic of the "Science Year 2018 – Working Life of the Future", and sets out to explore the challenges and opportunities of the working life of the future. Journalists will meet researchers and developers at German research institutes, universities and companies.

Preliminary programme outline

The focus will be on the following aspects:

- How will automation and technology affect work (for example: artificial intelligence in automobile industry)
- The challenges of digitisation – and possible solutions (for example: cyber security)
- The effects on individuals and society (for example: new workplace structures and models)

Among the institutions to be visited are (to be confirmed):

- Fraunhofer Institute for Industrial Engineering (IAO), Stuttgart
- Future Work Lab – Innovation lab for work, people and technology, Stuttgart
- Max Planck Institute for Intelligent Systems, Stuttgart/Tübingen
- Porsche AG, Stuttgart
- Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Karlsruhe
- Institute for Employment Research (IAB), Nürnberg
- Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg

Who can apply?

Journalists specialised in the coverage of science, technology, economics, sociology or future studies are welcome to apply. Former participants of press tours organised by the DAAD may apply again.

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Participant profile:

- Established journalists with at least three full years of professional experience working/freelancing for general or popular science media
- Currently working as journalist or freelance for print, online or broadcast media outlets (unfortunately, TV journalists cannot take part due to logistical limitations)
- Excellent contacts with media in your home country
- Specialised in economics, sociology of work, digitisation, automation, future trends or other science and technology issues
- Excellent English language skills
- Commitment to fully participate in the programme (21 to 26 October 2018)

Information to submit (via online form):

- A one-page essay on your motivation (max. 700 words) describing why you should be selected and why the topics of the tour are interesting to your readership
- Three recent articles or audio productions that you have published on related topics
- A recent Curriculum Vitae (CV) in English
- Personal contact details
- Information on the media you are mainly publishing in

A jury will select the participants based on submitted documents with a special focus on your motivation essay.

Application Procedure

Please apply online at: www.research-in-germany.org/presstour2018

Please fill out the online form and upload the requested documents. Only complete applications will be considered. Participants will be selected by a DAAD committee.

The deadline for applications is **Monday, 21 May 2018, 23.59 pm (CEST)**. Applicants will be notified by 11 June 2018.

If you are selected, the DAAD will provide official invitation letters for your visa process. However, it is your responsibility to obtain the required travel visas.

Included in the tour (expenses covered by DAAD):

The DAAD will take over the following tasks and will cover the following expenses:

- organisation of the tour
- accompaniment throughout the tour by DAAD staff and a tour guide
- travel expenses from and back to the journalists' country of origin (Economy Class, 2nd Class (train)) according to the Federal Travel Expenses Law
- accommodation and subsistence expenses for the duration of the tour (as outlined in the final programme)
- transfers within Germany during the tour (as outlined in the final programme)
- health insurance coverage (for the duration of the tour)

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