

## CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

# FRIAS SUSTAINABLE GOVERNANCE SENIOR FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME FOR RESEARCHERS FROM AFRICA

APPLICATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2024, 13:00 H CET

The Freiburg Institute for Advanced Studies (FRIAS) is the University of Freiburg's international research college. The Institute supports academic exchange across existing boundaries: between disciplines, between different cultures and countries, between established and younger researchers. The Institute supports innovative research projects through individual and group fellowships.

FRIAS provides modern office spaces and an up-to-date infrastructure and makes every effort to provide tailor-made solutions with regard to suitable accommodation, child care and educational facilities.

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### WHAT FRIAS OFFERS

- Fellowships are available to researchers from any nationality based in an African institution for **7 months between September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 and August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026**.
- Depending on their situation, selected applicants will receive a fellowship contract with the University of Freiburg or other compensation (for details see "Financial Aspects" in the application manual)
- Fellows receive a research cost contribution, a budget for individual training, a mobility allowance and travel costs of the inbound and the outbound journey.
- Fellowships will allow researchers to conduct their own research projects. Since one of the aims of FRIAS is to foster cross-disciplinary communication, full-time presence at FRIAS is mandatory.

## SELECTION CRITERIA

- Applicants must have a completed PhD plus a minimum of eight years of post-doctoral experience
- Applicants must be based in an African country
- 5 peer-reviewed publications since 1 January 2015, including at least one with or as a co-author
- Applicants must have six months' research experience at academic institution(s) in a country different from the country of their first academic degree by the time of application AND have received a Master/PhD in an African country
- Fellowships will be awarded to individuals with challenging and innovative research projects of top academic quality through a highly competitive, strictly merit-based selection process (expected success rate: ~15% of eligible applications)
- Applications are welcome exclusively from disciplines in the Humanities and Social Sciences with a thematic focus on sustainable governance

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Information on the candidate and project (abstract, layman's abstract, ethical issue table) have to be filled into the online application form. Additionally, the following attachments are required to be uploaded to the application portal:

1. Project proposal (max. 3000 words, 4 graphs) (PDF)
2. CV in tabular form (PDF, template available in the application portal)
3. Publication list (PDF)
4. Copy of the PhD diploma (PDF)
5. Letter of Cooperation by an academic partner at the University of Freiburg

For Further Information about the [Programme](#) and the Application requirements, please consult the [application manual](#).

## CONTACT

Please upload the **required documents** via the [application portal for Senior fellowships](#). For further details please contact us at FRIAS via e-mail: [fellowships@frias.uni-freiburg.de](mailto:fellowships@frias.uni-freiburg.de)