

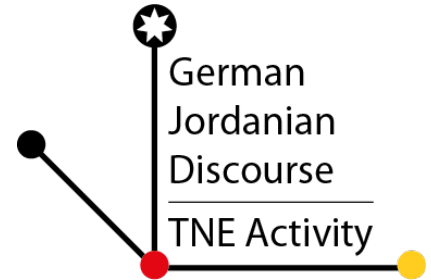


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# German Jordanian Discourse Series – A Transnational Education (TNE) Activity

**Talk:** DAAD Funding Opportunities



## Online Event

**Registration:** <https://bit.ly/3yC3m3o>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

## Agenda

Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022 | 14:00 AM-15:30 PM  
(Amman Time)

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| 14:00 | Opening   | Event Moderator: Dr. Dhiah Abou-Tair                                   |
| 14:05 | Welcome Notes   | Prof. Dr. Reiner Finkeldey   |
| 14:10 | Talk: DAAD Funding Opportunities<br>- Ta'ziz partnerships<br>- Other DAAD funding schemes | Mr. Benjamin Schmäling- Director of DAAD's<br>Regional Office in Amman |
| 15:00 | Q&A   |  |
| 15:30 | Adjourned   |  |



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### Mr. Benjamin Schmäling

Benjamin has joined the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) in 2017, as coordinator of a worldwide online project for teacher training, before heading the unit in charge of transnational education projects in the Middle East, Africa and Latin America. In 2021, he became director of DAAD's newly established Regional Office in Amman, Jordan. Before working for DAAD, Benjamin was a visiting lecturer for German as a foreign language at French universities Lille III and Paris-Sorbonne from 2011 to 2016. He is an expert in international higher education cooperation, especially between Germany and the Middle East, and shares his expertise not only in the context of advising politicians and universities, but also with the interested public through numerous publications and articles. Benjamin studied at universities in Passau, Erlangen and Paris. He holds a university degree in cultural studies and a state examination in German and French.

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## The TNE Program linked to German Jordanian University

Since its foundation in 2005, the German Jordanian University has been continuously intertwined with the funding program "Transnational Education - Binational Universities" (TNE) of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD). The funds for the program are provided by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research of the German Government. On the German side, Magdeburg-Stendal University of Applied Sciences is the project managing party. It has set up its own GJU Project Office (PO) whose team is in intense daily exchange with GJU. As GJU's core partner, Magdeburg-Stendal University of Applied Sciences manages all TNE- and pending scholarship funds and steers the university's further development together with GJU.

Strengthening GJU's German dimension by fostering mutual exchange of students, faculty and administrative staff is at the heart of TNE-funding: The Flying Faculty Program enables German lecturers to teach at GJU on a regular basis and to intensify teaching and learning relationships between German university partners and GJU. The Staff Mobility Program gives GJU lecturers and administrative staff the opportunity to teach and work for a month at a German partner university while transnational students groups are supported in collaborating in applied oriented yearly projects. Regular meetings of eight Joint Academic Networks of GJU and its German partners, events to strengthen university-industry relations and knowledge transfer as well as special scholarship programmes for third-country students from the region round off the funding. In addition, GJU's unique selling point, the German Year for all BA-students, is flanked by German scholarships for particularly high performing students. In turn, the high number of GJU-students going to Germany each year is matched by an increasing number of international students coming to GJU thereby promoting GJU's and the TNE-project's radiance in the Arab world.





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## The German Jordanian Discourse Series

The German Jordanian Discourse Series tries to highlight points of shared interest in the German and Jordanian scientific community. Based on the mission of the German Jordanian University to further enhance the excellent scientific relationship between the two countries, it offers a platform for exchange of ideas and opinions as well as aims at contributing to the development of both systems.

