

A CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ASA PROJECT 2022/2023

Project Overview

Riara University in Nairobi and Rhine-Waal University of Applied Sciences in Kleve, Germany with support of ASA Academia and ASA Global have been cooperating in modelling the African Union and United Nations since 2019. The project is not only meant to broaden students' horizons, but especially to strengthen north-south cooperation on knowledge generation and sharing in the field of international relations and diplomacy. The project focuses on 'Tackling the SDGs from a joint young Kenyan and German perspective.'

The ASA program is part of ENGAGEMENT GLOBAL (gGmbH) Service for development initiatives and is commissioned by the German Federal Government and funded by the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ).

Project Phase I

Prerequisite for participation is basic knowledge of international organizations such as the UN, the SDGs, and project management. Due to travel restrictions posed by Corona-19 pandemic, phase 1 of the project has been implemented through digital platforms since 2019. The entire project was implemented through interactive digital tools such as videoconferencing and online workshops.

Together with the students based in German Universities, participants were first required to develop a project plan and, with other interested parties, and implemented a first workshop with 30 participants. During simulation exercises, students then took on the role of delegates from member states and discussed particular challenges, policies and implementation strategies. Two professors and lecturers were identified from each institution to provide oversight and mentorship to participating students.

Project Phase II

Phase II of the project with German partner institution will take place from the beginning of April to the end of June 2022; in Nairobi - in consultation with Riara University - from the beginning of September to the end of November 2022. Three ASA seminars will take place in parallel with the project events in Germany taking place between April and June 2022, and another in spring 2023.

A prerequisite for participation in the ASA program is active participation in the seminars (2022 and 2023) and in both project phases in Nairobi in close cooperation with the institutions in Germany. These are 2 three-month full-time activities. Students' online presence times may differ from the usual working times in Kenya and Germany according to the time difference.

Minimum Qualifications

- You are in your second year of study and have knowledge of international politics or international law
- You have minimum academic Cumulative GPA of 3.00 and above
- Your proficiency in English language both spoken and written is excellent

Other Requirements

- Ability to work in teams, and especially in a multicultural international environment
- Track record of participation in community service and complimentary learning activities at the School of International Relations and Diplomacy
- You are familiar with the SGDs and, at best, have experience in organizing activities in a university context
- You also have organizational skills, a reliable and transparent approach and team spirit
- You have an impressive track record of academic performance

Access and Application Procedure

For a more detailed project description, please click on the link below:

<https://asa.engagement-global.de/projektfinder-projektetails.html?id=1505>

Interested candidates are required to send a one-page profile showcasing their interest and why they qualify for this opportunity.

How to Apply

If you are up to the challenge, possess the necessary qualification and skills, please send the following:

1. 1 Page profile
2. Copies of latest academic transcript
3. A copy of your Passport/ National ID
4. Passport Size Photo (JPEG)

quoting the project title on the subject line (Expression **of Interest in the ASA Project**) to ckimaita@riarauniversity.ac.ke, not later than **Tuesday, November 30, 2021, EAT 8.00PM**.