



African Network of Earth Science Institutions (ANESI)
ANESI's Student Exchange Programme
Call for application

In the framework of the Earth Science Education Initiative in Africa, UNESCO has facilitated the setting up the African Network of Earth Science Institutions (ANESI) to promote high quality research and training through collaboration and partnership among Earth science institutions. The Student Exchange Programme is one of the core capacity building activities with the objective to increase the mobility of students in Africa. The programme is funded in the general framework of 2014-2017 Programme Cooperation Agreement between UNESCO and the Swedish International Development Agency (Sida).

Target

This call targets

1. Young Earth science postgraduate students (MSc and PhD) willing to participate in a specific course or to use a research facility in another African institution;
2. African Earth science institutions willing to host students from other African countries for a specific course.

Duration

The exchange program duration is minimum two weeks and maximum one month.

Grant

- A maximum of 1,500 USD/student if a student is applying or maximum 6000 USD/institution (four students) if an institution is applying. The grant will cover the travel and subsistence costs.
- In cases where the travel is for laboratory analysis, ANESI may cover some additional costs (not exceeding 1,000 USD) after evaluating the proposal, though ANESI encourages host institutions to share these costs.

Requirements

1. Be a citizen of an African country;
2. Be a current MSc or PhD student in an African Earth science institution;
3. be endorsed by the home institution;
4. Have identified the host institution.

Application

Each candidate must submit an application comprising:

1. A detailed proposal describing the activity to be undertaken and explaining how the programme will help advancing his/her research (5 pages maximum); please include the applicant's and the supervisors' contacts in both home and proposed host institutions (e-mail and phone);
2. The Applicant's CV;
3. A formal endorsement letter from the home institution;
4. A formal approval letter from the host institution.

Deadline

All applications should reach the ANESI's Secretariat before **15 November 2015, 11.59PM GMT +3.**

Selection

The selection of candidates will be on a competitive basis. To that end, an international committee will be set up. Priority will be given to those students or institutions having provision of matching funds for the same activity. ANESI will require a report from the host institution and from the beneficiaries immediately upon completion of the exchange program.

Send your application to ANESI Secretariat, UNESCO Nairobi: anesicalls@anesi.org