



**ALUMNI DEUTSCHLAND, UNIVERSITY OF IBADAN: FACULTY INTERACTIVE FORUM,
3 TO 7 FEBRUARY, 2014**

The Alexander von Humboldt (AvH) and DAAD are German scholarship foundations, with the AvH being the most prestigious scholarship and DAAD, the biggest scholarship opportunity worldwide. While AvH is mostly opened for young and middle career academics with PhD, DAAD has programmes for graduate students, young and middle career academics with or without PhD and senior academics.

To date, 47 scholars from the University of Ibadan have won AvH Fellowships in the last fifty years. However, the application profile from the University of Ibadan has suffered declining interest in recent years. This called for intervention from alumni of both scholarship foundations from University of Ibadan, under the umbrella of the Alumni Deutschland, University of Ibadan (UI).

Between February 3 and 7, 2014 Alumni Deutschland, UI, organized a Faculty Interactive Forum covering all the Faculties and the College of Medicine, to reawaken interests in the scholarship programmes. The workshops were facilitated by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Professor A. I. Olayinka and attended by no fewer than 387 participants from across all the Faculties and 12 Resource Persons comprising previous award holders of AvH and/or DAAD.

At the workshops, opportunities and challenges related to successful applications for AvH and DAAD scholarships and fellowships were discussed. The workshops provided opportunities for participants to discuss their views and setbacks against their interests on the programmes and the application process.

It was emphasized that there are granting opportunities for various categories of academic staff irrespective of their career positions ranging from newly recruited Assistant lecturer to the most experienced Professors. Moreover, some of the awards no longer have age restrictions.

Alumni Deutschland offers to support individual applications by providing necessary guides on how to successfully apply for AvH and DAAD. The following members of Alumni Deutschland UI can be contacted in respect of support for application:

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