STIPE Seminars and Events 2023

Introductory seminar in September 2022, photo Eckhard Röhm

In the following program, we list all events just as we could foresee them in September 2022: online in the beginning of 2023 and then mainly in presence. However, the Corona situation in Germany may change at any time. We are preparing to be able to offer all events online. The dates will remain the same!

We will also try a blended learning format with you. The information whether the respective event takes place online, hybrid or in presence, can be found in the specific invitation, which we will send you at least 4 weeks in advance.

Participation is free of charge for scholarship holders, either online or in person.
1 First meeting of the new Executive Team 2023

**Online** ● 18th of February 2023 ● 12 participants

In this meeting, the newly elected representatives of the scholarship holders will gather. The members will get to know each other as a group and learn about their various tasks, give feedback on their experiences with STIPE, and decide which topic the study day should address at the General Assembly of the scholarship holders in December 2023. In addition, they prepare themselves for their task of advising new scholarship holders as "buddies".

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2 STIPE visiting didacta (educational fair)

**Stuttgart** ● 7th-11th March 2023 ● 6-10 participants

All the scholarship holders who are interested in the field of education are invited to visit the fair as small STIPE-delegation. It is planned to strengthen the presence of Brot für die Welt at the fair and to present educational material at the own booth. We will be also participating in workshops and discussions. There will be networking opportunities with different educational actors and NGOs.

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*Kathleen Schneider-Murandu, Kornelia Freier among others*
3 Seminar about exploitation and pollution of the seas with STUBE Baden-Württemberg

Stuttgart ● 17th-19th March 2023 ● 12 participants

This seminar is for scholarship holders of all programs and will be organized in cooperation with STUBE Baden-Württemberg near Stuttgart. We will learn about the background and effects of the exploitation and pollution of the seas. Which actions must be taken on a national and international level in order to protect and preserve the sea as an ecosystem? Together we will think about our possibilities to contribute through our behavior—individually and collectively. The seminar is part of the multiplier-program and is also useful for working on topics which could be transmitted in schools. The participants will be partly international students from universities in Baden-Württemberg and partly scholarship holders from Brot für die Welt.

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Kathleen Schneider-Murandu, in Kooperation mit STUBE Baden-Württemberg

4 Introductory seminar for new scholarship holders

Online ● 22nd-24th March 2023 ● 15-20 participants or Berlin ● 29th-31st March 2023

The mandatory seminar is conceived for the new scholarship holders of all scholarship programs. It offers orientation in regard to the programs, the process of funding and the scholarship seminar program STIPE. The participants have the opportunity to get to know Brot für die Welt and to meet the staff personally. In addition, the Executive Team is available to give them advice.

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Kathleen Schneider-Murandu, Florence Zeller, Scholarshipteam Germany

5 Seminar: Good Leadership in the context of church, civil society and development

Berlin or central location in Germany ● 20th-22nd April 2023 ● 20-25 participants

This seminar is mandatory for the Leadership scholarship holders and voluntary for other scholarship holders. The aim is to reflect together on what good leadership is. Part of the program will be a professional coaching about leadership—skills and methods. The participants will be inspired by leaders of the church and the civil society. For the exchange about their own biography alumni will be invited.

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K. Schneider-Murandu, Beate Schreiber, Nadine Ebinghaus, Dionisie Arion
6 Anti-Bias-Workshop: How does it work to be diversity sensible? In German and English

Berlin • 10th-12th May 2023 • 12 participants

For this topic we will invite the new representatives of the scholarship holders that were elected in December 2022 and if there are spare capacities also other scholarship holders to participate in this workshop together with Brot für die Welt employees. Two experienced coaches will introduce the anti-bias approach and initiate a reflection process. The participants will process their own experiences of discrimination and work on their inner attitude.

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7 Meeting of the Executive Team

Berlin • 12th-14th May 2023 • 12 participants

At this meeting, which will be held right after the Anti-Bias-Workshop, the members of the Executive Team will work on the organization of the study day at the General Assembly of the scholarship holders in December 2023. It is also about team-building, and the teaching of moderation and presentation techniques, i.e. the acquisition of a skill set with which the Executive Team can complete its tasks in the future.

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8 STIPE at the DEKT (German Protestant Church Day)

Nürnberg • 7th-11th June 2023 • 20 participants

‘The time has come’ (Marc 1: 15) is the motto of the next DEKT. All scholarship holders in Germany are invited to experience this big protestant festival together as a STIPE-group. There will be some activities in which active involvement is expected, for example at the Brot für die Welt church service or at one of our booths at the included fair. We will also have the opportunity to experience how political church is in Germany and will participate in discussions and workshops about current topics.

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9 Evaluation and (Re)Integration seminar for all scholarship holders, whose scholarships end in 2023

Berlin • 7th-10th July 2023 • ca. 40 participants

The seminar is compulsory for scholarship holders of all programmes whose funding ends in 2023. The focus is on reflecting on the study stay or the scholarship period, the professional perspective and the preparation for it. Information on support opportunities (e.g. via the reintegration program of Brot für die Welt, CIM/GIZ or small NGOs such as Africa works e.V.) will be presented. Some alumni will share with you how their paths went after the scholarship and pass on their personal tips. We will also offer you a short career coaching or application training and a workshop on resilience and mindfulness for the challenging times. The highlight is the closing service on Saturday evening with the ceremonial presentation of the scholarship certificates, followed by a last party all together.

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10 Introductory seminar for all new scholarship holders

Berlin ● 27th September – 1st October 2023 ● 30 participants

This mandatory seminar is aimed at new scholarship holders in all scholarship programs. It offers orientation in regard to the programs, the course of the support and the co-curricular programme STIPE. The participants have the opportunity to get to know Brot für die Welt and to meet their respective desk officers in person. In addition, the Executive Team will be there to advise them. Within the seminar the participants will visit the Lutherstadt Wittenberg for a day, this offers the opportunity to experience history by following the footsteps of Martin Luther and visiting some of the original sites of the Reformation.

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11 Meeting of the Executive Team

Berlin ● 30th September-2nd October 2023 ● 12 participants

At this meeting the representatives of the scholarship holders will be gathering again. They will meet the new scholarship holders at the end of their introductory seminar and then continue with preparations for the General Assembly which will take place in December 2023, including the study day, elections, the intercultural party and the church service.

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12 Specialized seminar: Initiative work - how and where do I get involved during my scholarship?

Berlin ● 20th-22nd October 2023 ● 25 participants

This seminar is mandatory for the scholarship holders of the Leadership and Refugee programs. The purpose of this meeting is the mutual presentation of the planned initiative work and the development of ideas for doing projects and seminars together. Best Practice examples of (former) scholarship holders will be presented. For an easier approach an insight into all the parts of project management will be given (planning, financing, monitoring, execution, budget control). STIPE offers an introduction to event management for all of those who plan an initiative seminar.

Financed from KED funds Andrea Schirmer-Müller, Beate Schreiber, Pfr. Dionisie Arion, Kathleen Schneider-Murandu

13 Anti-Bias-Blended-Learning-Workshop: How does it work to be diversity sensible? In German and English

online ● 16th-24th November 2023 ● 12 participants

For this pilot project we invite all of those scholarship holders who are interested to participate in a Blended-Learning-Format with employees of Brot für die Welt and professionals. Two experienced coaches will introduce the Anti-Bias-Approach and initiate a reflection process. The participants will process their own experiences of discrimination and work on their inner attitude. For that matter live video conferences for working with small groups will be combined with individual work that’s flexible in time. Please reserve time on the following days for the mandatory meetings with the other participants:

16.11.23, 13 - 15h
17.11.23, 11 - 16h
20.11.23, 11 - 16h
24.11.23, 10 - 12h

Financed from KED funds Agata Rymkiewicz, Agnes Sander and others
14 Meeting of the Executive Team before the General Assembly

Berlin ● 7th-8th December 2023 ● 12 participants

For the final preparations of the assembly, the Executive Team will already meet the day before at the conference venue of the Berliner Stadtmission.

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15 General Assembly

Berlin ● 8th-10th December 2023 ● 100 participants

The event addresses scholarship holders of all programs. The General Assembly offers opportunities to get to know each other, to exchange ideas, to network and to work interdisciplinary on the topic of the study day. The scholarship holders elect the new Executive Team and can be candidates for it themselves in order to contribute to the organization of STIPE in the following year.

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The Executive Team

... is the representation of the scholarship holders (12 persons) elected for one year at a time. There are three meetings in Berlin for each Executive Team (one in spring, one in fall and one directly before the General Assembly).

- The members represent the concerns of the scholarship holders towards the scholarship department
- They advise the new scholarship holders at introductory seminars and organize the next General Assembly in collaboration with the staff of Brot für die Welt.
- They take responsibility for organizational, logistical and content-related tasks at STIPE events, for example the moderation of working groups
- They are the administrators for different scholarship-holder communities on the EASY platform.