

## Advancing the Policy Relevance of Gender Studies at Aden University

German-Yemeni Conference in Amman, Jordan, 14-15 December 2025

### *Call for Applications*

We are looking for contributors to a conference organized in the framework of a DAAD-funded short-term measure to support our project partner, the Woman Research & Training Center (WRTC) at the University of Aden, Yemen, in the further development of its master program (and the new development of a PhD program) on 'gender and development'. More information on this cooperation can be found on our [website](#).

Travel to and accommodation in Amman will be covered through the project.

The conference is designed to contribute to the development of a course syllabus (usually 16 sessions plus a group research exercise at the end) on the following three topics: economic development, governance and climate change. Next to staff from WRTC, Yemeni think tankers specialized on these topics will also be part of this conference as the project is designed to focus on the policy relevance of the teaching. At the same time, the staff from WRTC have also requested that we invite experts who can speak about new theories and methodologies as they have not had the chance to interact with international researchers since the beginning of the conflict in Yemen in 2014/15. You'd be meeting highly engaged professors, who have continued to provide higher education at the University of Aden with no or very limited salaries over the past ten years of the conflict in Yemen.

We are looking for advanced researchers at German institutions who can provide input on one of the following three topics from a theoretical, comparative, and methodological perspective (an additional gender lens would be great but isn't required):

- Development economics
- Governance in fragile states; state-building in post-conflict settings
- Climate change / environmental governance in developing countries

At the conference, your input would provide suggestions for 3-5 sessions within such a master / PhD course that would lay the theoretical and methodological foundations from international research before more Yemen-focused sessions begin (which would be designed by the Yemeni conference participants)

**Interested?** Please send a short expression of interest and your CV [asap](#) to [heinze@carpo-bonn.org](mailto:heinze@carpo-bonn.org)