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ATSAF and GIZ Supporting Early Career Scientists - Junior Scientist Program (JSP) and Upcoming PhD Program Acinar

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Abstract

With around 350 members ATSAF – Arbeitsgemeinschaft für Tropische und Subtropische Agrarforschung e.V. (Council for Tropical and Subtropical Research) connects key players in German development-oriented agricultural research. This includes professors of German universities with a focus on development-oriented agricultural research and a matching teaching concept, that supports the training of young researchers in this field. Contacts to and stays at International Agricultural Research Centres are invaluable in bringing young scientists early on to practice. The "ATSAF - CGIAR++ Junior Scientist Program" financed by BMZ via giz BEAF, supports students in completing their Master's degree and enable them to gain practical experience in project-based scientific work at an International Agricultural Research Centre. For this purpose, ATSAF is, in collaboration with giz BEAF, financially supporting Master students enrolled at German universities in conducting their research to create a Master thesis at one of the CGIAR or IARC centres.

As a next career step ATSAF offers a structured PhD programme at the Academy for International Agricultural research (ACINAR). German University Professors and their CGIAR partners supervise PhD students in a CGIAR Research Program. The student receives a 4 year stipend and a research grant enabling him or her to join an international project and conduct development oriented agricultural research in a multidisciplinary team. The academy provides additional training in three obligatory modules and other training components. This programme is financed by BMZ GIZ for initially five years. Application will be possible from October 2020. More information for both programs at www.atsaf.org

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