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## Young postgraduate students from 12 nations

More exciting than a first look behind the scenes at a modern broadcasting center? For HongMi Koo from South Korea, it's the challenge that awaits when she starts her Ph.D in Germany.

The young scientist will be making Germany her home for the next three years. HongMi is one of 12 academic scholars involved in the Doctoral studies program at the Center for Development Research (ZEF) in Bonn. They are from countries like Nepal, Indonesia, Pakistan, Ghana, Uzbekistan, Palestine, Senegal, Cambodia, Mongolia, India and Argentina and work in areas of research that could be of great use in their homeland. Like land degradation in South Korea, water management in Palestine or education for Pakistan.

***You will be living here in Germany for the next three years. What are you most excited about?***

Tamer Eshtawi: I want to get to know German culture. And, of course I want to write a good thesis; it will be about topics like development and water management.



Tamer Eshtawi (l), Nasir Aftab (m) HongMi Koo (r) talking with MY DW.



***Do you think any aspects of life will be particularly challenging?***

HongMi Koo: German is really challenging. I hope I will learn the language quickly. In three years, I want to speak German fluently.

***What will you miss the most?***

Nasir Aftab: Pakistani cooking! I can't cook at all and will miss the food. But I will Skype with my mother when I am in the kitchen and she will give me instructions.

"In three years, I want to speak German fluently," HongMi Koo.



Young scientists researching in Germany.

***How did you like your DW visit?***

HongMi Koo: Everything is new to me. It was exciting for me to find out about media production. Like how a short audio report about the Dalai Lama is made. I couldn't have imagined that you could shorten speech without tampering with the characteristics.

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