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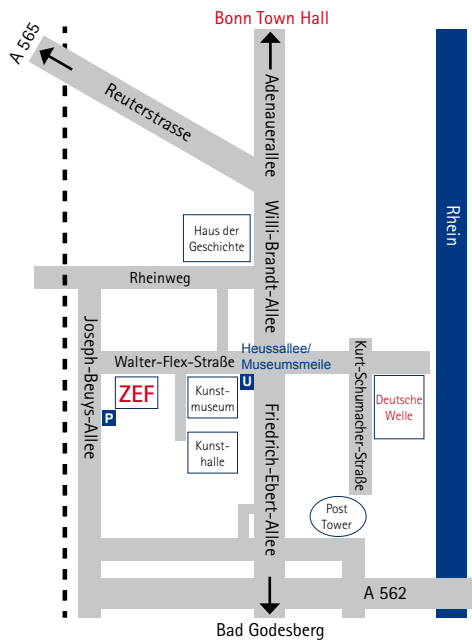
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INVITATION

TEN YEARS OF INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE TRAINING AT ZEF: CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT FOR THE DEVELOPING WORLD

October 1-2 2009 in Bonn



TEN YEARS OF BONN INTERDISCIPLINARY GRADUATE SCHOOL
FOR DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH (BiGS-DR):
CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT FOR THE DEVELOPING WORLD

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Bonn Interdisciplinary Graduate School for Development Research (BiGS-DR) of the Center for Development Research (ZEF), Bonn University, was founded in 1999. Its main goal is training future decision makers from developing countries as well as scientists from all over the world for an international career in a development-oriented setting.

BiGS-DR was one of the first graduate programs for development research in Germany. Today, it is well connected with partner institutions in Europe and all over the world in the fields of development research and cooperation.

After ten years of hard work we are proud to say that BiGS-DR has achieved its main goal of building human capital for the developing world. During the last decade, 402 young scientists from 77 countries have participated in our Graduate Program, and the majority of the students from developing countries have returned to their home regions in Africa, Asia and South America.

We want to celebrate the 10th anniversary of our Graduate Program at ZEF on October 1 and 2 this year and would be very pleased to have you with us on this occasion. You are cordially invited to attend our anniversary celebration and conference with debates and a panel discussion on our overall theme: "Ten years of international graduate training at ZEF: Capacity development for the developing world".

Looking forward to seeing you and exchanging ideas with you at ZEF in October!



Paul Vlek
Executive Director of ZEF



OFFICIAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Thursday, October 1 2009

- 17.00–19.00 hrs Reception at the Bonn Town Hall with speeches by
- **Ulrich Hauschild**, Mayor of Bonn
 - **Jürgen Fohrmann**, Rector of Bonn University
 - **Christian Bode**, Secretary General of DAAD
 - **Adolf Klope-Lesch**, Head of Directorate-General 3 on Global and Sectoral Policies, BMZ
 - **Wilfried Kraus**, Head of Cultural, Earth System and Environmental Research, BMBF
 - **Paul Vlek**, Executive Director of ZEF
 - **ZEF alumni**
- Announcement and award ceremony of ZEF Friends' Prize for best doctoral thesis

11.15 hrs

Coffee break

11.30–12.45 hrs

Climate change in Africa: Are the continent's own scientists prepared enough?

Speakers:

Hans van Ginkel, Former Rector of the United Nations University in Tokyo and **Samuel Codjoe**, United Nations Regional Institute for Population Studies, University of Ghana, Legon

12.45 hrs

Lunch at ZEF

13.45–15.15 hrs

Achieving food security in and for the developing world: What do its scientists contribute?

Speakers:

Per Pinstrup-Andersen, Professor at Cornell University, Division of Nutritional Sciences, USA and **Felix Asante**, Senior Researcher at the Institute of Statistical, Social and Economic Research, ISSER, Accra, Ghana

Friday, October 2 2009

- 09.00 hrs Welcome at ZEF
- 09.15–09.45 hrs Key note address: *Capacity Development for the Developing World – Brain gain or brain drain?*
- Armin Laschet**, Minister of the State Ministry for Generations, Family, Women, and Integration of North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany
- 09.45–15.15 hrs Debates between ZEF Board and Alumni:
- 09.45–11.15 hrs *The international debate on the benefits and curse of foreign aid to Africa: How do its (social) scientists position themselves?*
- Speakers:
- Maritta von Bieberstein Koch-Weser**, Chief Executive Officer of The Global Exchange for Social Investment (GEXSI), UK and **Khalid Khalafallah**, Islamic Development Bank, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

16.00 hrs

Public panel discussion at the Deutsche Welle: Capacity Development for the developing world – Brain gain or brain drain?

On the panel:

- **Gerda Meuer**, Head of Deutsche Welle Academy
- **Max Huber**, Vice President of DAAD
- **Joy Kiiru**, ZEF alumna from Kenya, now Lecturer at the University of Nairobi
- **Paul Vlek**, Executive Director of ZEF
- **Claudia Warning**, Chair of VENRO
- **Hans-Peter Klös**, Head of Education at the Institut der deutschen Wirtschaft Köln

18.00 hrs

Small reception at the Deutsche Welle