

VAEA
Afrikanisch-europäischer Austausch

Summer
University
Namibia
2016

1. Summarized facts:

Organizer: VAEA – Verein zur Förderung des Austauschs europäischer und afrikanischer Kultur- und Bildungsangelegenheiten ZVR: 220024057

Date: 24. July 2016 – 20. August 2016

Application period: 30. September 2015– 30. April 2016

University: Polytechnic of Namibia; Windhoek

Participants: max. 28

Courses: 3 courses with focus on African European/American business relations

Trips: 3 trips Friday to Sunday

Accommodation: Hostel 5 min. walking distance away from the city center

Attendance fee: 1.900,-- Euro dorm rooms or 2.100,-- Euro double rooms

2. General information VAEA

VAEA is an international operating non-profit organization with the main goal to strengthen the cultural and education exchange between Africa and Europe/America. To reach this goal students/professionals from the three regions should get the chance to participate in exchange programs in the three regions. In the future this contacts should strengthen the friendship between the three regions.

3. General information Summer University Namibia

Namibia is one of the most fascinating travel destinations of the world. During the four week program the students will get the chance to gain important international experience at one of the best universities Africa's the Polytechnic of Namibia. At the three weekend the participants will visit some of the most beautiful landscapes of the world, see a unique wildlife and can try fun sport.

4. Academic program

4.1 Doing Business in Africa

Which things do you have to think of in order to make successful businesses in Africa? Which cultural differences could cause problems with African business partners? This fascinating questions will be answered during this course with a special focus on Southern Africa. During the four weeks the Dean of the Business school Mr. Kofi Boamah and guest lecturers will prepare you for business relations with one of the fastest growing regions of the world.

4.2 A profile of the Namibian Economy

This class give answers on the question why Namibia's economy is more successful than the economy of other African states. Which industries provide a big part to the GDP of Namibia, which industries have the biggest potential for growth and which industries are the rising stars in the future. All this questions are not only answered during the four weeks but also be discussed in class.

4.3 State, Government and Politics

The economic success of a country is highly dependent on the political decisions. The question why some African states are economically successful while others can not generate economic growth even if they have a lot of natural resources or are hit by hyper inflation will be answered in this course. The class will give an explanation of the history, present and future developments in Namibia.

5. Weekend trips

During the three trips the participants will visit some of the most beautiful landscapes of the world. The trip to Swakopmund will give the students the chance to try dune boarding, quad biking or sky diving and a boat cruise will bring them to dolphins and seals. The second weekend will bring the group to the Etosha national park with its unique wildlife. The last trip will show the participants the fascinating landscape of the Namib desert.

6. Cultural Festival

Traditionally every year the Polytechnic of Namibia organize the cultural festival. Students can watch traditional dance performances and concerts of the most famous Namibian artist. During the International cuisine day the group will participate themselves.

7. Packages

Included in the attendance fee are:

Accommodation in a hostel 5 minutes walking distance away from the city center

Breakfast and dinner during the academic week

Course fees

Trips (transport, accommodation, entrance fees, tour guide)

Airport transfer

Tutoring during the three weeks

8. Contact

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