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To
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Introduction of official advising activity on academic exchange between Iran and Germany

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## Dear Dr Vahedian

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) is Germany's national agency for the support of international academic cooperation and exchange. In collaboration with the Iranian Ministry of Science, Research and Technology, DAAD advises Iranian researchers and young scientists, international offices and students on funding opportunities in order to carry our research in Germany.

Furthermore, DAAD supports German researchers to visit their counterparts in Iran in order to conduct research activities or participate in conferences, hold workshops and give lectures.

With more than 1000 Alumni in Iran, DAAD appointed certain outstanding researchers and former scholarship holders as honorary "Research Ambassadors" to inform their colleagues and students about the German higher education and research landscape, different funding organizations like DAAD, the Alexander-von-Humboldt Foundation (AvH) or the German Research Foundation (DFG).

I introduce Ms. Torabi as advisor on academic matters between Germany and Iran. She will be in touch with our DAAD Office in Tehran and will be up to date regarding new initiatives, funding schemes, visits by German delegations and opportunities for Iranian academics.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for further clarification. I hope to visit your University soon again and remain with best regards.

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