

TWAS opened the call for application for a new programme: "**Seed Grant for New African Principal Investigators (SG-NAPI)**", fully funded through the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF).

The call for this new programme will remain open **until 27 July 2021** and invites applications by scientists from **selected African countries**, who meet the following eligibility criteria:

1. **aged 40 or below;**
2. **obtained their PhD abroad (outside his/her home country) within the last 5 years and returned to his/her home country within the last 36 months or will return home before the end of 2021;**
3. **holding a position at an academic and/or research institution (including international research centres) in their home country;**
4. **national of an eligible African country (in the Sub-Saharan region).**

For more detailed information regarding the application guidelines, kindly visit the [TWAS website](#) and download the document.

The focal point for this programme is the **TWAS SG-NAPI Grants Office** ([sgnapi@twas.org](mailto:sgnapi@twas.org)).

I would highly appreciate it, if you can kindly support us in disseminating the call to ensure we reach as many early career African scientists as possible, especially **women scientists**, who have the opportunity, thanks to this great programme, to enhance their careers and to build research capacity in African countries lagging in science and technology.

A brochure is attached, in case you want to forward to interested parties.