

# -- Liability disclaimer and safety precautions -- for participation in a study mobility program

Participant	
Host university	
Host Country	

Every exchange student under this agreement will be responsible for their own **insurance**, be it health insurance including repatriation, accident insurance, liability insurance or any other insurance, be it compulsory or optional. Neither the partner universities nor the Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt are liable for a student's or exchange staff's failure to buy adequate insurance for the stay abroad.

I am aware that the German Foreign Office regularly publishes travel advisories, safety information and travel warnings.

- Travel advice contains information about, among other things, the entry requirements of a country's entry requirements, medical advice, criminal or customs peculiarities.
- Safety information draw attention to special risks for travelers and Germans living abroad. It may include a recommendation to refrain from traveling or to restrict travel to a certain destination. In some cases, it advises against travel that is not absolutely necessary or against traveling to a destination in general.
- Travel warnings contain an urgent appeal by the Federal Foreign Office to refrain from
  traveling to a country or region of a country. They are only issued to warn that travel to a
  country or a specific region of a country is connected to an acute danger to life and limb.
  Travel warnings are rarely issued. Germans living in that country may be asked to leave
  the country.

Before starting my mobility and during my stay abroad, I will regularly inform myself about the current security situation, either on the homepage of the German Foreign Office: <a href="https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/de/ReiseUndSicherheit/reise-undsicherheitshinweise/uebersicht-navi">https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/de/ReiseUndSicherheit/reise-undsicherheitshinweise/uebersicht-navi</a> or via the "travel app" of the Federal Foreign Office: <a href="https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/de/ReiseUndSicherheit/app-sicher-reisen">https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/de/ReiseUndSicherheit/app-sicher-reisen</a>. I am also aware that I can register on the "Elefand" crisis precaution list: <a href="https://krisenvorsorgeliste.diplo.de/signin">https://krisenvorsorgeliste.diplo.de/signin</a>

## If I start my mobility, I do so at my own request and at my own risk.

I have been asked to inform the International Office of the KU immediately if I do not start, cancel or interrupt my mobility due to a changed security situation or current travel warning of the German Foreign Office in my host country.

I have taken note of the liability disclaimer and the safety precautions of the KU as well as of the DAAD's general safety precautions (to be found in the appendix).

Place, date	Signature of student

International Office November 2023



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# **Before departure**

## Inform yourself about your host country and appropriate behavior in the host country

Travel and safety advice from the Federal Foreign Office

Country-specific travel and safety advice from the German Federal Foreign Office (link).

Subscribe to travel and safety information as a newsletter (link).

German diplomatic mission(s) in the host country

Information from the German Foreign Office on consular assistance (link).

Country-specific information from the diplomatic missions abroad (link).

Sicher reisen Die App des Auswärtigen Amts

Here you can download the "Safe Travel" app from the Federal Foreign Office (link).

Apply for the appropriate visa

Contact the relevant consulate in good time.

## Save emergency numbers in your phone and write them down on an emergency card

International health and accident insurance

Save and make a note of the 24/7 emergency number + insurance number.

German diplomatic mission(s) in the host country

Save and make a note of important telephone and emergency numbers.

Police, emergency doctor, fire service ... in the host country

Save and make a note of important emergency numbers.

EC/credit cards, SIM card, etc.

Blocking hotline: + 49 116 116\*\* or + 49 30 40 50 40 50. Information on the blocking hotline (link).

#### Copy / scan important documents and keep them safe



## Have your health in mind

Vaccination protection / prophylaxis

Check your vaccination record and seek advice from a travel doctor if necessary.

Put together a first-aid kit

Suggestion of the Health Service of the Federal Foreign Office for a first-aid kit (link).

Medical information of the German Federal Foreign Office

Information and leaflets on medical precautions when traveling provided by the Health Service of the Federal Foreign Office (link).

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# In the host country

## Ensure that you can be reached in case of an emergency



**Provide contact details at the institution** (e.g. hotel, conference venue, event program, e-mail, telephone number(s), contact person on site).





Registration in the crisis prevention list for German nationals "Elefand" kept by the Federal Foreign Office (inclusion in the e-mail distribution list of the "Landsleutebrief"): www.krisenvorsorgeliste.diplo.de/signin





Charge your phone regularly, take a power bank with you if needed.

## Stay up to date



Read e-mails / text messages etc. regularly.

Follow the travel and safety advice of the Federal Foreign Office.



**Networking** (contact persons, colleagues, project partners, regional offices and local information centers of the German Academic Exchange Service).



Follow independent local news on the security situation on the radio / in the newspapers / on the internet / on television.

## Reducing risks - "Safety first"



Follow the instructions of local security staff.

Please register for and read the "Landsleutebrief" (e-mail) provided by the German diplomatic mission abroad (see above).



Adapt your behavior ("Keep a low profile!"). Avoid protests / rallies / demonstrations.



Information on "Behavior in the event of special risk situations" from the Federal Office of Civil Protection and Disaster Assistance (link).

"Behavior in the event of attacks and assaults" provided by the ASW Federal Association (link).

#### **Avoid complications**



When using a cab, use an official licensed cab with a taximeter (if necessary, ask at the hotel for a description of the license). Do not accept strangers who want to share a cab.



When choosing a hotel, consider the surrounding area (public places, government/military facilities, tourist attractions, news stations, neighborhood...).



**Know your surroundings** (police, hospital, German mission abroad ...).

Know escape routes / emergency exits in the hotel, prefer 3rd-6th floor...

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