



# Innovators Connect – Tandem 2024

## Call For Applications

### What?

Two weeks immersion programme for young researchers interested in start-up founding and early-stage start-up founders from India and Germany. Participants will work in Indo-German teams to generate innovative ideas, undergo training for bringing research ideas to market and get exposure to start-up and innovation ecosystems of India and Germany. The programme will include design thinking workshops, information sessions, mentoring, networking sessions, lab visits and more.

### Where

India - Hyderabad, Bhubaneshwar and Bengaluru

### When

11 November - 22 November 2024

### Who can apply?

#### Applicants from India

PhD (ongoing or completed) / Postdocs (PhD not older than four years) with a lab to market idea and registered (full time) at any of the partner institutions of the programme

OR

Early stage-start-up founders (less than two years of incorporation) with minimum bachelor's degree and preferably a master's degree incubated onsite at one of the partner institutions

#### Applicants from Germany

PhD (ongoing or completed) / Postdocs (PhD not older than four years) with a lab to market idea and currently affiliated with a university, university of applied sciences or a research institution in Germany

OR

Early-stage start-up team members/ early-stage start-up founders (< 2 years of incorporation) with minimum bachelor's degree and preferably a master's degree affiliated with a university, university of applied sciences or a research institution in Germany





## Focus Areas

Participants should have a research background in:

- Life Sciences
- Pharmacy
- Material Sciences
- Internet of Things (IoT)
- Robotics
- Engineering
- Artificial Intelligence (AI)
- Machine Learning (ML)
- Blockchain
- Cybersecurity
- Chemistry

With their lab to market ideas / start-up ideas in:

- Digital Health
- MedTech
- Energy
- Mobility
- Cleantech
- Antimicrobial Research,
- Drug Discovery,
- Smart Manufacturing
- Aerospace
- Agri-tech

## Programme Offers

- Mentoring
- Design Thinking
- Pitching session
- Workshops
- Information sessions
- Networking
- Intercultural training
- Connect with VCs
- Exchange with start-ups
- Pitch training
- Teamwork
- Expert talks & more

## Number of participants

30 (15 from India and 15 from Germany)

## Financial support for participants

Travel and accommodation for participants is covered by DWIH New Delhi\*

## Caught your interest?

For detailed information see Innovators Connect- Tandem 2024\*



## Apply online

<https://www.daad.de/surveys/263622>

## Deadline

20 August 2024

## Winners get

Opportunity to meet in Germany in 2025 to work on their ideas and participate in a leading start-up conference in Germany. They will get mentoring and support to raise grants for product development from partners of the programme.

## Got questions?

Write to Aadishree Jamkhedkar, Head of Programmes at [jamkhedkar@dwhi.org](mailto:jamkhedkar@dwhi.org)

## Programme Partners in Germany

KIT Gründerschmiede-Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Transfer Centre (TRACES)- University of Stuttgart, Centre for Entrepreneurship-University of Rostock, Fraunhofer Venture- Fraunhofer and hei INNOVATION- Heideberg University.

## Programme Partners in India

### Hosts and main partners

Centre for Cellular and Molecular Platforms (CCAMP), ASPIRE Technology Business Incubator - University of Hyderabad, Society for Innovation and Development (SID)- Indian Institute of Sciences (IISc) and KIIT-Technology Business Incubator (KIIT-TBI)-Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT).

### Associate partners

Startup Incubation and Innovation Centre (SIIC)- Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur

## Programme Of

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