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Transatlantic Democracy Workshop

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS
Become a fellow at our Transatlantic Democracy Workshop to take place on September 30th + October 1st at the Deutsch-Amerikanisches Institut Sachsen, Leipzig.

Seismic transformations in transatlantic democracies pose challenges to the economic and political order. Technological change, globalization, but also the climate crisis are global phenomena with regional implications. These disruptions fan the flames of populist movements around the globe and increase political polarization.

To counter polarization in transatlantic societies, there is a growing demand for renewed democratic participation and civic (re-) engagement. One way to foster trust in deliberative mechanisms and liberal settings is to make the operating rooms of transatlantic politics more transparent and inclusive. In here, Think Tanks operate in powerful positions. Yet, hardly anyone in the general public knows what a Think Tank actually is or does, and why (or why not) it should be part of politics at all.

Our workshop is looking at non-governmental organizations through the lens of Think Tanks. It introduces students to the theory and practice of policy-related consultancy work. Transatlantic experts and practitioners from the field provide top-notch input and perspectives. Together, we discuss opportunities (and shortcomings) in engaging with local, transatlantic, and global challenges.

The workshop provides substantial training for advanced undergraduate and graduate students interested in public policy, international organizations, government agencies, higher education, and the (international) private sector. Participants foster strategic thinking and writing skills and learn how to translate their analytical work into policy-relevant formats.

For details about the application requirements and procedure, please visit our website at:

www.dai-sachsen.de/democracy
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AT A GLANCE
DAI Sachsen & Transatlantika +++ €200-Stipends Available +++ Learn how to feed your ideas into the process of policy-related consultancy work

Dates: Sept. 30 + Oct. 1  Location: Leipzig, Germany  Language: English
Application Deadline: August 20, 2021 (Notification by August 27, 2021)

HOW TO APPLY
To apply for a spot (and a €200-scholarship) at the 2021 Transatlantic Democracy Workshop, please fill in the online application form and submit all supporting documentation by August 20, 2021. The application requires:

- A one-minute video or a written essay (max. 500 words) in which you describe your motivation to participate in the workshop, and that addresses (one or both of) the following question(s):

1) Why (or why not) do transatlantic democracies need think tanks, and what role do they play in our societies?
2) Which global challenges with regional implications should think tanks address? Prioritize one such challenge and elaborate why it is of special interest to you.

- Your CV (2-page max.)

To apply, click here.