

## Call for Applications: Falling Walls Lab Vietnam 2018

Dear scientists and students,

The DAAD has brought an innovative, inspiring and interdisciplinary format for aspiring researchers for the first time to Vietnam – the Falling Walls Lab.

Falling Walls Lab is a unique competition that provides young researchers and entrepreneurs a platform to present their innovative ideas, research projects and social initiatives. The challenge is to present this in just 3 minutes in English!

All disciplines are welcome: from agriculture, medicine, economics, engineering to the humanities.

**The prize is highly attractive.** The winner of the Lab Vietnam:

- gets to **compete at the global Falling Walls Lab Finale in Berlin** on 8 November 2018 with Lab winners from across the world.
- wins a **ticket to the prestigious Falling Walls** Conference on 9 November where leaders from science, industry and policy-making meet. The round-trip flight ticket to Berlin and the accommodation in Berlin for 8-9 November 2018 will be sponsored.
- receives the **EURAXESS prize of 600 EUR to visit a research lab or university** in any of the 28 member countries of the European Union.

The **Falling Walls Lab Vietnam** will be hosted by the DAAD Regional Office Hanoi and take place at 4:30 pm on **25 May 2018** at Vietnamese-German Centre at Hanoi University of Science and Technology.

Please **apply online** through the website <http://falling-walls.com/lab/apply>.  
**Application deadline** is **6 April 2018**.

Did you know that the first place winner of the global Lab Finale 2016 was a Vietnamese female researcher? Check out her video and other winners [here](#) or on Youtube to get an idea of presentations at the Falling Walls Lab.

The Falling Walls Lab is great fun. It brings together bright minds with groundbreaking ideas that spark discourse and have great potential to impact our future.  
Apply now, share your innovative idea and win a trip to Berlin!

For more information, please visit: <http://falling-walls.com/lab/faq1>

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us via [lab@daadvn.org](mailto:lab@daadvn.org).  
We are excited to receive your applications!

Kind regards,  
DAAD Regional Office Hanoi

## Application criteria and process

### Applicants' profile/Eligibility

The Falling Walls Lab Vietnam addresses a broad range of people from all professional backgrounds and disciplines.

We are looking for:

- Scholars, researchers and scientists (BA-students, MA-students, PhD-/ doctoral candidates and post-docs)
- Entrepreneurs, engineers and young professionals (Start-ups, inventions, initiatives and business ideas)
- Innovators from all areas – science, humanities, arts, business and technology

The selection criteria are as follows:

- If a person has a Bachelor's degree, the degree should not date back more than 10 years.
- If a person has a Master's degree, the degree should not date back more than 7 years.
- If a person has a PhD, the degree should not date back more than 5 years.
- Postdocs and students currently enrolled in university are also eligible to apply.

The applicant has to be of legal age (18 years or older) in order to participate in the Falling Walls Lab.

### Application process

In order to apply, please complete the online application form on the website:

<http://falling-walls.com/lab/apply> by **6 April 2018**. Make sure you choose the Lab Vietnam.

Fill in your basic data, explain your personal motivation and the topic you would like to present. You should also have your CV ready in PDF format – the website will ask you to upload it. Filling in the application form should not take longer than 10 minutes. As soon as you have successfully finished your application, you will receive a notification in your browser window and via email.

After the deadline, a committee will make a pre-selection of candidates and we will get back to you within two weeks. If you are selected as one of the competitors, we will then give you further details for your presentation at the Falling Walls Lab Vietnam.