



JULY - AUGUST PROGRAM

EVENTS

Please note that all these events are free of charge unless stated otherwise. Follow our social media pages to stay updated with the latest information as the details may be subject to change!

EXHIBITION

Indigo Hypoxia by Sannad Shreef

02. - 23.07.2026

Exhibition opening - 02.07.2026, 5:00PM, Goethe-Institut, Auditorium

Indigo Hypoxia is conceived as an immersive solo exhibition a space that brings together painting, textile installation, and live performance. It presents a series of presences: alienated blue figures existing within a purple atmosphere. The exhibition explores an internal psychological state shaped by a sense of spatial and emotional void. This is not a literal room, but a mental enclosure in which the figures are suspended—caught between withdrawal and exposure, fragility and weight. They do not simply occupy the space; they embody it. The central question of the exhibition emerges through this tension: what does it mean to feel internally blue while existing within a purple exterior? **The exhibition is open on Monday – Saturday, 10 am – 6 pm.**

LIVING AND WORKING IN GERMANY

Information Session

Pathways to employment, vocational training and recognition of foreign qualifications in Germany

02.07.2026, 7:30PM – 9:00PM, Online via Zoom

In this 1.5-hour interactive information session, hosted by the Central Overseas and Specialized Placement Service of the Federal Employment Agency, you will receive valuable tips and advice on the following topics:

- Recognition of academic and vocational qualifications
- Job and apprenticeship searches
- Cover letters and job interviews
- The social security system in Germany

Registration Link: <https://forms.office.com/e/Le1LsaTAU1>

This webinar has been organized in cooperation with our Welcome Coaches based in Germany

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FILM SCREENING

Docudays – Satellite Screenings

08.07.2026, 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM – Militantropos by Alina Gorlova, Simon Mozgovyi, Yelizaveta Smit

11.07.2026, 4.00PM – 6:00PM – Intercepted by Oksana Karpovych

15.07.2026, 7:00PM – 9:00PM – Iron Butterflies by Roman Liubiyi

18.07.2026, 4.00PM – 6:00PM – Traces by Alisa Kovalenko, Marysia Nikitiuk

UNSEEN Cinema, Nairobi

The Goethe-Institut Kenya in collaboration with the Ukraine Embassy in Kenya and UNSEEN Nairobi present a satellite screening of the 23rd Docudays UA International Human Rights Documentary Film Festival. This Festival was held in Kyiv on 5–12 June 2026. The series will screen four films for the catalog. The festival facilitates the respect for and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms, to establish an understanding of human dignity as the highest value, to raise the level of civil activity in Ukraine, to promote the development of documentary filmmaking. Docudays promotes an active civic position and respect for human dignity and support the development of the Ukrainian film industry.

WOMEN IN LITERATURE

How female authors authentically tell women's stories

09.07.2026, 6:00PM – 8:00PM, Goethe-Institut, Library

This edition is dedicated to the women who write about women's issues, bringing attention to stories that reflect the challenges, triumphs and complexities of women's lives. Through novels, poetry, memoirs, essays and other literary forms, these writers create space for dialogue, understanding and empathy. The event will delve deep into the connection between literature and womanhood. It will be moderated by Wendy Njoroge.

CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP

A writing workshop by Christine Mungai

14.07.2026, 5:00PM – 8:00PM, Goethe-Institut, Library

This is a closed workshop organized by Goethe-Institut in partnership with Qwani and the Continent. The workshop will equip the participants with the essential skills needed to research, interview, verify and craft compelling reported stories for newspapers, magazines, online publications and other media outlets. Through practical exercises and real-world examples, the workshop explores the structure of reported stories, techniques for building strong narratives from facts and strategies for writing reader-friendly content.

Christine Mungai is a writer, journalist, media trainer and curator based in Nairobi. Christine has over 15 years of experience in journalism, with her work appearing in leading African and international publications. Attendance strictly by RSVP

LIVING AND WORKING IN GERMANY

Café Deutsch

24.07.2026, 4:00PM – 6:00PM, Venue TBC

Welcome to our Café Deutsch, a dedicated conversational space led by a German native speaker. Participation is open to anyone with B1 level German and above. Visit our social media pages for updates on the venue.

LITERATURE FORUM

Amka

A literary Forum for upcoming writers and literary critics

25.07.2026, 10:00AM – 1:00PM, Goethe-Institut, Library

This is a forum for upcoming writers and literary critics to share and discuss stories, poems and current literature trends with the aim of enhancing their creativity. The Forum provides a space to listen to the voices of established and budding writers. AMKA and the Goethe-Institut organize the monthly readings in the library of the Goethe-Institut every last Saturday of the month as well as external venues. Participation in the forum is open to both men and women. Interested participants may send their poems and short stories to amkaforum@gmail.com

LIVING AND WORKING IN GERMANY

Information Session: Tips and Tricks for your Job Application

27.07.2026, 6:00PM – 7:30PM, Online via Zoom

In this webinar, you'll learn—using various examples—what a top-notch application should look like. Topics that will be covered: the cover letter, the resume in table format and the overall structure of the application, including attachments. So that you can apply what you've learned right away when creating your own documents, you'll receive links to the presentation as well as additional examples and practice materials afterward.

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This webinar has been organized in cooperation with our Welcome Coaches based in Germany.

ANNUAL BREAK: 3. – 14. 08.2026

LIVING AND WORKING IN GERMANY

Pathways to employment, vocational training and recognition of foreign qualifications in Germany

06.08.2026, 11:30AM – 1:00PM, Online via Zoom

In this 1.5-hour interactive information session, hosted by the Central Overseas and Specialized Placement Service of the Federal Employment Agency, you will receive valuable tips and advice on the following topics:

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- Job and apprenticeship searches
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LAUNCH

Object Movement Dialogues Publication Launch

20.08.2026, 6:00PM

Goethe-Institut, Auditorium

The launch of the compilation of all the object movement dialogues held under the International Inventories Programme held from 2019 – 2023.

PLAYREADING

Caucasian Chalk Circle – Bertolt Brecht

21.08.2026, 6:00 PM, Goethe-Institut Auditorium

The fourth installment of the playreading series showcases a play which allows difficult situations and predicaments within an African family dynamic, to seep into the forefront as Ato Malinda entertainingly discusses the repercussions of trauma as they occur in a Kenyan work environment.

The playreading series is curated by Esther Kamba.

THE LITERARY QUARTET

Head-to-Head on Kenyan Literature: Battle of Books

22.08.2026, 2:00PM - 5:00PM, Goethe-Institut, Library

What makes a great book? Is it the unforgettable characters, a gripping plot, beautiful language, powerful themes or the emotions it leaves behind? This event answers this question. In this exciting head-to-head session, two panelists will champion a book that they have read and attempt to convince the audience that is the best choice among the books presented. Each panelist will have the opportunity to make a compelling case for their selected title, highlighting its strengths, impact and relevance. The event is a partnership with Qwani and the Kenyan Readathon. It celebrates Kenyan literature by providing a space for open expression. This dynamic session promises robust and fresh discussions on Kenyan literature. Copies of the books being presented will be available at the venue for those who would like to read them after the session.

VR AND GAMING

VR and Gaming For Tech Enthusiasts

26.08.2026, 2:00PM - 4:00PM, Goethe-Institut, Library

In line with our digital as well as global learning strategy, we are happy to present our VR and Gaming sessions. The goal for this is to enhance the interaction of our target groups with new technologies and the promotion of knowledge transfer.

The target group for this month is tech enthusiasts. We have a great variety of VR content and games that participants can engage in for fun and learning purposes. Additionally, we will host a renowned game developer who will showcase their game and give participants a chance to play along and enjoy the game. Send an email to info-nairobi@goethe.de to reserve a spot for this session.

LAUNCH + PANEL

Imagine Freedom – Anthology Launch

27.08.2026, 6:00PM, Goethe-Institut, Auditorium

The multi-faceted project Imagine Freedom is an exploration of the meaning of freedom and how it is played out, or not, by society. Over the last two years, we have been asking artists, writers and intellectuals as well as the public to engage with us on the various aspects of freedom in society, citizens' rights and obligations around it, the different spheres of influence on freedoms and given checks and balances around it. Next to three public panels and two podcasts, the project has also collaborated with artists and writers that will all feature in the publication Imagine Freedom. Next to the launch of the anthology, we will also have an insightful panel. The project Imagine Freedom is curated by Wanjeri Gakuru.

LIVING AND WORKING IN GERMANY

Café Deutsch

28.08.2026, 4:00PM - 6:00PM, Venue TBC

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PERFORMANCE

The Jam

28.08.2026, 7:00 PM, Goethe-Institut, Auditorium

The Jam is back in full force this year. We will open the start of The Jam-ming session with a bang, so as usual get your dancing shoes ready for an unforgettable night with some of the best fem energy and performers. The Jam is curated by Tangaza Magazine and features young, upcoming talent from the Kenyan music scene.

WORKSHOPS AND TRAININGS

A1/A2 GERMAN SPEAK SALON

06.07.2026 - 10.07.2026, 2:00PM - 4:00PM

Online via Zoom

Are you planning to live and work in Germany but are struggling with speaking German? Our Speaking Salons are just what you need! Join us to practice conversations in a group setting, with the guidance of our trainers, and activate your spoken language. Pre-registration is required. You will then receive a ZOOM link before the event commences.

Registration Link: <https://forms.office.com/e/Le1LsaTAU1>

LEARNING STRATEGIES

20.07.2026 - 24.07.2026, 4:30PM - 6:00PM

Online via Zoom

To take up employment in Germany, you need a certain level of German skills. Our Learning Strategies workshops are designed to optimize learning of German for both mastery and visa. Pre-registration is required. You will then receive a ZOOM link before the training commences.

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GERMAN LANGUAGE

German Examinations in 2nd Trimester

View and register for upcoming German examinations via the following link: [German exams - Goethe-Institut Kenya](#)

German language courses in 3rd Trimester

Courses will commence on 24th August in Mombasa and on 31st August in Nairobi.

Registration dates: 21. - 24.07.2026.

PRE-UNIVERSITY BRIDGING COURSE

Are you looking to study in an institution with state-of-the-art facilities, zero tuition fees and in a cosmopolitan environment? German universities offer a wide range of courses in several disciplines and have earned world-wide recognition in STEM related courses.

The Pre-university bridging course (Studienbrücke) offers school-leavers with above-average grades in STEM subjects and a command of the German language an opportunity to train in their home country; in preparation for a course of study in Germany.

Enrollment for the next pre-university bridging course commencing in August is ongoing and closes on 19th July.

Registration link:

<https://www.goethe.de/ins/ke/en/spr/stb/bfl.html>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEIN WEG NACH DEUTSCHLAND CALENDAR

We are in the process of transitioning our event registrations to the Mein Weg nach Deutschland Calendar, a global portal for all "Living and Working in Germany" events offered by Goethe-Institut. It is available in 15 languages and allows you to filter and select events according to your needs.

What this means for you:

1. A one-time calendar registration via <https://meinwegnachdeutschland.portal.gap.goethe.de/> create your user account. The first time you sign up for an

event, you'll be asked to provide additional personal details, another one-time process. Thereafter, future event sign-ups will take just one click.

2. Access to MWnD events from across the globe for free.

FEEDBACK SURVEY

To help us gather feedback on our offerings, we are conducting a voluntary survey through this link: <https://forms.office.com/e/3P05qNS3P3>. We would also love to know which stage of the migration process you're currently in, as well as how we can better support you along the way.

AMIF Newsletter - Living and Working in Germany

Subscribe to our new newsletter if you wish to stay informed about our upcoming information sessions and events:

<https://www.goethe.de/ins/ke/en/new.html>

WHATSAPP CHANNEL! - LIVING AND WORKING IN GERMANY

Join our Living and Working in Germany WhatsApp channel:

<https://whatsapp.com/channel/0029VaaHmn7D8SDqWoAC932p>

We provide information about life in Germany that include topics such as language proficiency, qualifications and certificates, health and school systems and visa processes.

ACCESS OUR LIBRARY RESOURCES

Interact with our physical library offering printed and audio-visual media both in German and English that cover literature, kids' books, German culture, social Sciences, language, art, German geography and photography. Among other resources include our monthly VR sessions, kids' events, and school visits. We encourage you to register to become members: Ksh. 800 per annum. *Registration is free for our students learning German.

BIBTOGO APP

BibToGo App is a user-friendly App for library members of the Goethe-Institut. After downloading the App, customize it by choosing the Goethe-Institut in your country. The initial activation is to be done by Goethe-Institut library staff who will link the App to your personal library account. Afterwards, one can borrow media and extend borrowing periods. Other features include keep track of their currently borrowed media, keep track of fines, access personal details, reserve media borrowed by others and track borrowing history. It is linked to the e-Library service and the online catalogue. In the media recommendation section, one can access pre-defined recommendation lists from the library collection. The library staff can be contacted through the App via E-Mail or Messenger.

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Liability:

The Goethe-Institut Kenya is not liable for any injury, loss of life or loss/damages to personal property on its premises. Guests are encouraged to be cautious and conduct themselves appropriately at all times when on Goethe-Institut Kenya's premises. Please also note that our events are public events and that photos will be taken for PR purposes.

Photos: Jaridu dance performance by Jared Onyango.

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