Results from Alumni Information Survey
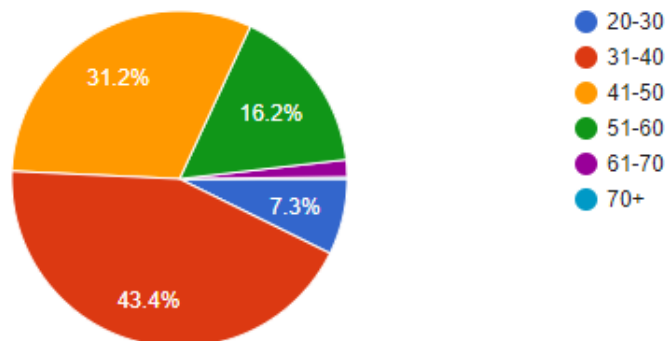
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The survey was sent out through the Danida Alumni Network Portal to 2029 members. 549 alumni from 41 different countries answered the questionnaire and completed the survey.

These are the results and at the end you can find selected comments from members. We could not include all comments here, but will take everything into consideration:
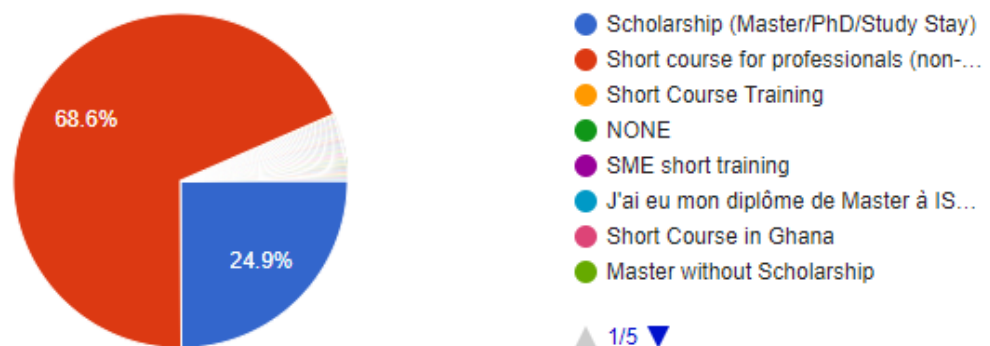
Please indicate your age group

548 responses

- 20-30
- 31-40
- 41-50
- 51-60
- 61-70
- 70+

Please select if you've pursued a Master or PhD, in part or fully in Denmark or if you have attended a short course for professionals (non-degree). Choose the first option if you have attended both.
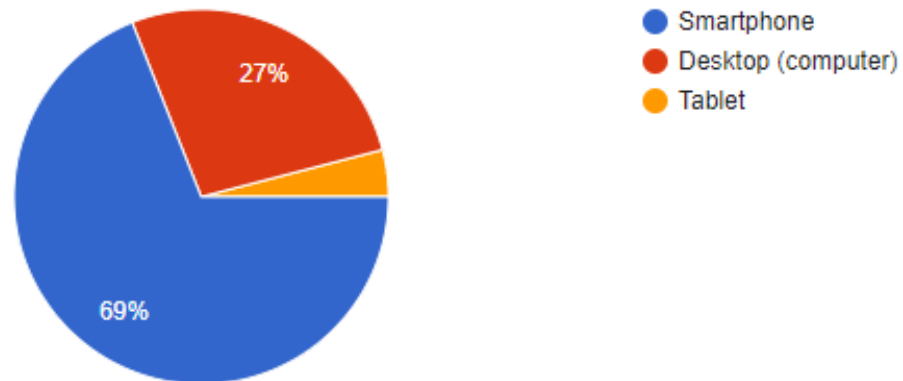
538 responses

- Scholarship (Master/PhD/Study Stay)
- Short course for professionals (non-...
- Short Course Training
- NONE
- SME short training
- J'ai eu mon diplôme de Master à IS...
- Short Course in Ghana
- Master without Scholarship

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* the remaining 5% filled out 'other' and described which course they attended, most of them are short courses.

In your everyday life what device are you most frequently online on?

545 responses

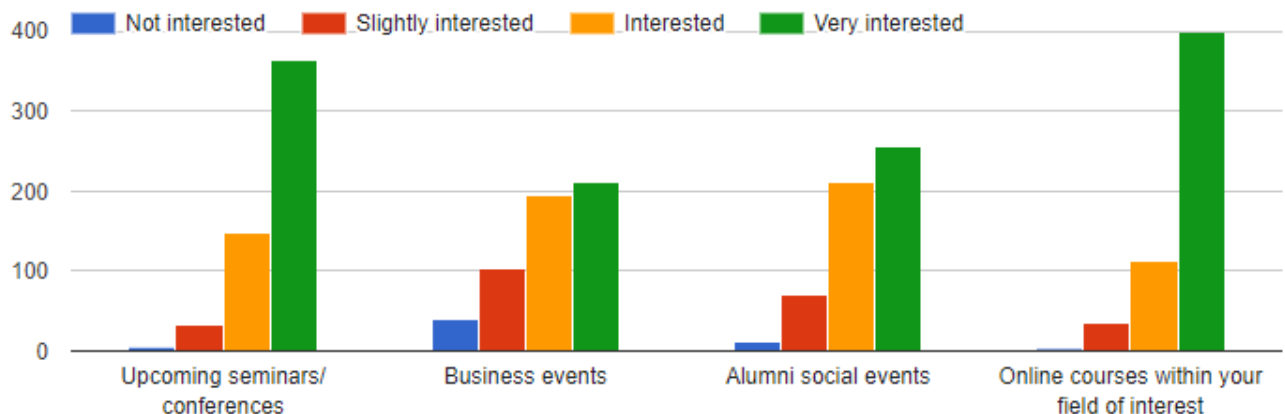
- Smartphone
- Desktop (computer)
- Tablet

27%

69%

466 of the 549 members who submitted answers are 'sometimes', 'often' or 'daily' using **Facebook** (216 daily) **462** are using **Whatsapp** (339 daily)

The two are by far the most popular social media among the respondents.
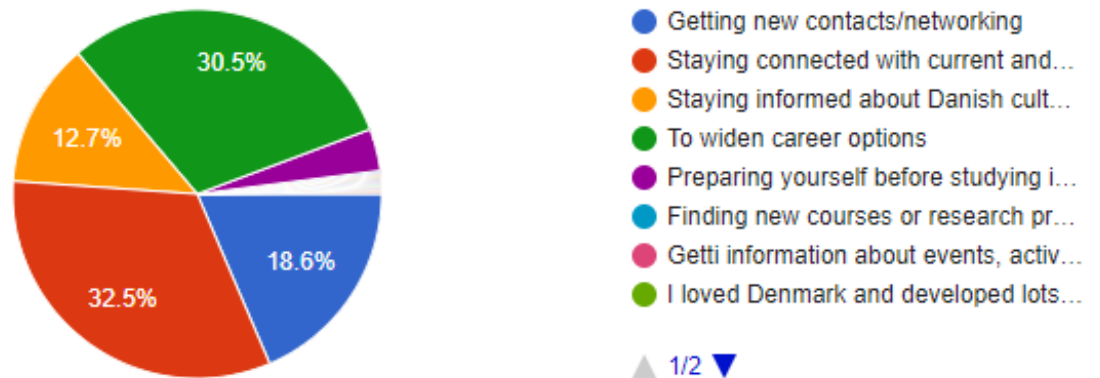
LinkedIn is the third most used social media.

How interested would you be in the following events, if they were posted on the Danida Alumni Network (website) and/or our social media channels?

Not interested   Slightly interested   Interested   Very interested

Upcoming seminars/conferences | Business events | Alumni social events | Online courses within your field of interest

In general, there was an interest in most subjects mentioned in the survey. But especially seminars, conferences, relevant calls and online courses are of interest to a majority of the respondents. Other popular subjects include personal content about other alumni and cultural content about Denmark. Not much interest in quizzes, competitions and tips to learn the Danish language.
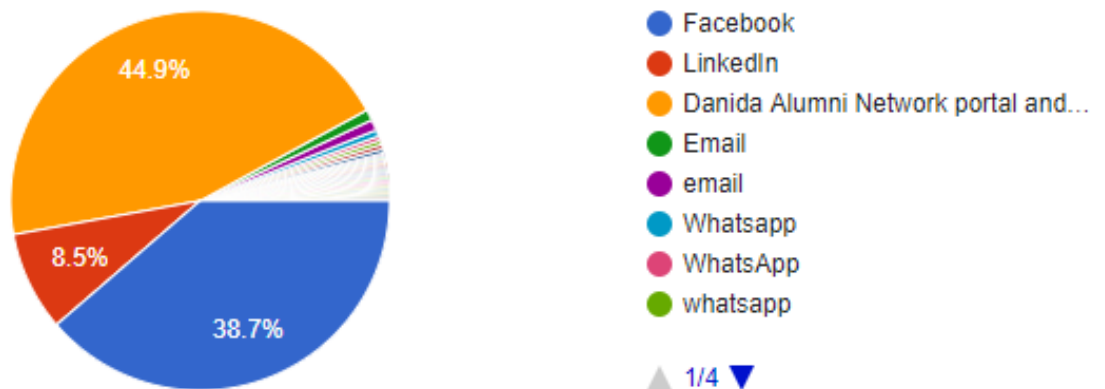
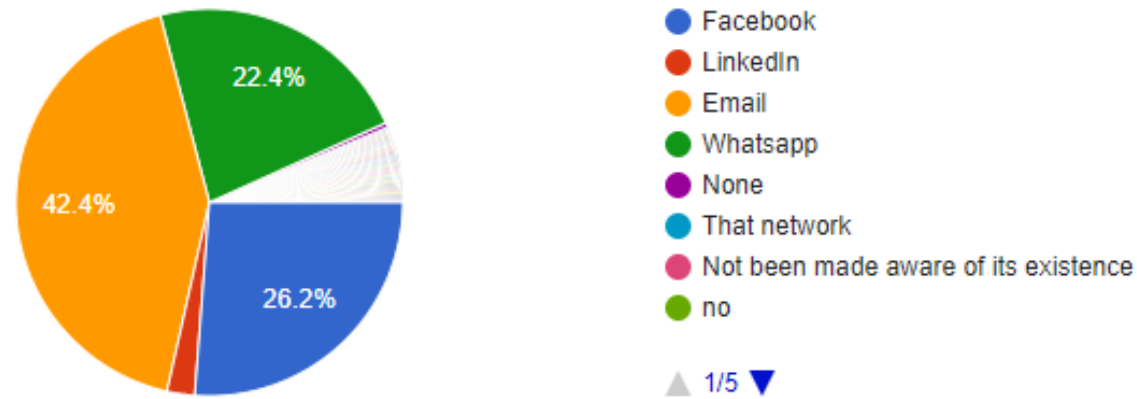## What do you primarily use the Danida Alumni Network for?

544 responses

- Getting new contacts/networking
- Staying connected with current and...
- Staying informed about Danish cult...
- To widen career options
- Preparing yourself before studying i...
- Finding new courses or research pr...
- Getti information about events, activ...
- I loved Denmark and developed lots...

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Which platform do you prefer to use for getting in contact with the Danida Alumni Network?

543 responses

- Facebook
- LinkedIn
- Danida Alumni Network portal and...
- Email
- email
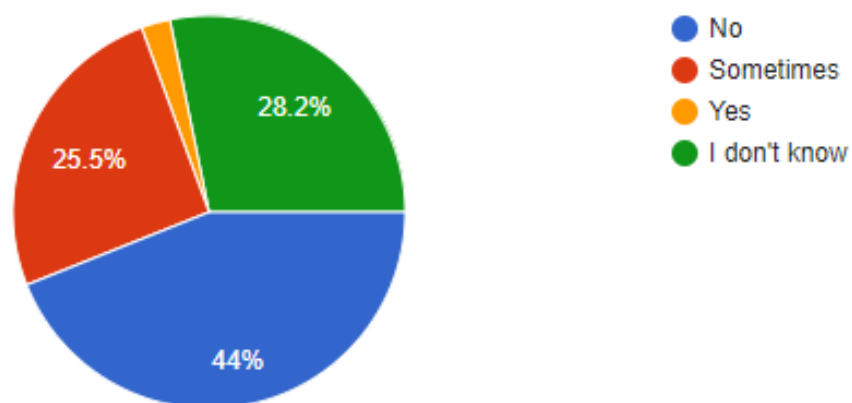- Whatsapp
- WhatsApp
- whatsapp

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If there is a local Danida Alumni Network present in your country, how do you stay in contact and updated with the network and its members?

519 responses

- ● Facebook
- ● LinkedIn
- ● Email
- ● Whatsapp
- ● None
- ● That network
- ● Not been made aware of its existence
- ● no

▲ 1/5 ▼

22.4%
42.4%
26.2%

Do you feel that there are too many duplicated news stories posted both on the Danida Fellowship Centre's communications platforms and then the Danida Alumni Network platforms?

546 responses

- ● No
- ● Sometimes
- ● Yes
- ● I don't know

28.2%
25.5%
44%

Selected comments from the survey (all comments are being taken into consideration)

Besides the national alumni network, regional in country networks should also be created. From experience it is very hard to organize activities for alumni from all parts of the country. However it is much easier to bring together those within reach

Most of the members forgot their password and became hard to retrive them. May be you could look other option for password management

Organizing a day at the embassy for Danida Alumni

More meetings (both formal and informal) to allow members to network and learn from each other.

Some of us may not seem very active at times because of lack of internet network in some rote locations where we discharge our services to communities. We are still grateful for receiving news from the network however late.

The local Alumini should be strengthened / I think, every country should have a local alumni Network with Danida.

Too few activity compared to DAAD GERMANY. Danida should learn from them how to keep in touch with alumni

Some annual event like conference/seminars that would keep the alumni members appraised with new development paradigms and approaches as they share changes made from studies undertaken in Denmark would make the network more interesting

As we do not have Alumni Network in Nepal, it would be great if we start one.

Career opportunities can be posted here to help young professional as myself

Creating network based on research/business interest / Include thematic areas so that we align practice to alumni relations

Active engagement is lacking in the country DFC should ignite some action amongst members to start

The facebook page is not updated regularly, we need regular updates