Bielefeld University Welcome Centre Newsletter
November 2016

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Welcome Centre Events

9th November  9:30 – 11:30  **Campus Start** in W0-135  
Monthly welcome event for new international researchers. Get to know the university and the Welcome Centre team, learn about getting started in Bielefeld, how to get around the university and the services we offer.  
Registration required:  welcome@uni-bielefeld.de

9th November  11:30 – 12:30  **Campus Tour**, departing from W0-135  
Following Campus Start, we offer a guided tour through the main and X building explaining all points of everyday interest for your convenience.

9th November  12:30 – 13:30  **International Lunch**, Westend cafeteria, main building  
Monthly opportunity to get to know other internationals over an informal lunch. We meet at the first table beyond the entrance to the Westend cafeteria. Friends and family are welcome.

15th November  19:30 – 21:00  **International Stammtisch** (Regulars’ Table), Kachelhaus  
Monthly informal get-together to meet other international academics in a casual atmosphere. Simply show up at the Kachelhaus in Hagenbruchstraße 13 in Bielefeld on the third Tuesday of every month.

Scholarships and Grants

1. RISE Germany offers summer research internships in Germany for undergraduate students from the United States, Canada, and the United Kingdom. In their internships, students are carefully matched with doctoral students – whom they assist and who serve as their mentors. Interns receive a monthly stipend to cover every day costs. About 300 scholarships are available each year. Learn more here: [https://www.daad.de/rise/en/rise-germany/](https://www.daad.de/rise/en/rise-germany/)

2. The Euraxess job portal has an overview of fellowships, jobs and Ph.D. studentships:  

3. Open call from the transnational fellowship programme “MOVE-IN Louvain“. The programme lasts five years, covers three calls for proposals and about 27 fellowships will be granted per call. Deadline is January 4th 2017. Further information as well as the guide for applicant:  

4. The European Research Council provides Consolidator Grants for young researchers of all scientific subject areas for those who finished their PhD within the last 7-12 years. For more information, follow this link: [https://erc.europa.eu/funding-and-grants/funding-schemes/starting-grants](https://erc.europa.eu/funding-and-grants/funding-schemes/starting-grants)
Career Development

Information event: 1st February 2017, 11am

The mentoring programme movement for women in research aims to support female students and researchers of all faculties in successfully building their careers in science. An information event for international doctoral candidates will be held on February 1st 2017 at 11am. The application deadline ends on February 25. Find more information here: http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/%28en%29/mentoring/movement/

Seminar recommendation for the winter semester. Both seminars will be held in English and require no prior knowledge:

- Research Data Management: https://ekvv.uni-bielefeld.de/kvv_publ/publ/vd?id=79750381 – This is an interdisciplinary seminar for participants from all faculties.
- Foundations of the Semantic Web: https://ekvv.uni-bielefeld.de/kvv_publ/publ/vd?id=81004189 – This is a bit more "techy", but does not require programming experience. Also useful for people interested in web technologies, language, logics and knowledge management.

Bielefeld University offers a workshop on academic writing in English for academics of the Humanities and Social Sciences fields. The workshop will deal with many topics of the day-a-day academic writing in English, such as: resources to write professional texts, how to properly structure your texts or how to identify and avoid common grammar mistakes. To register for the workshop contact Stefanie Haacke: stefanie.haacke@uni-bielefeld.de (0521 - 106-4698) For more information (in German): http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/pep/fortbildung/nachwuchs/Academic_Writing.html

To learn more about audits and their efficient use of funds within the project Horizon 2020 you might be interested to take part in the event taking place at Universitätsclub Bonn which informs about the European Commission’s audit politics and helps prepare universities, non-academic research institutions and companies in NRW for audits. More information (in German): https://www.uni-bonn.de/forschung/euroconsult/veranstaltungskalender/programm-audits-in-horizont-2020-23.11.2016.pdf

Cooperations and International Projects

Mathematicians in the International Research Training Group (IRTG) at Bielefeld University and Seoul National University (South Korea) are searching for hidden laws in random systems in their newly founded International Research Training Group. Nineteen experts from Germany and South Korea are supervising the joint research programme. Read more about it here: http://ekvv.uni-bielefeld.de/blog/uninews/entry/new_international_research_training_group
The Chinese government has conferred the highest national honour for foreign experts, the National Friendship Award of the People’s Republic of China, on the Bielefeld chemist Professor Dr. Katharina Kohse-Höinghaus. Read more about it here: http://ekvv.uni-bielefeld.de/blog/uninews/entry/chinese_friendship_award_for_bielefeld

Accommodation and Furniture

Accommodation offers: Here you will find some of our available flats and rooms in Bielefeld. You can find the whole list in our Facebook group and at the wall in front of our offices.

#50 partially furnished flat, Grewenbrink , 33619 Bielefeld, 555 €, 50m², 1-room-apartment, partially furnished, 1 bedroom,living room, KB, kitchen furnished,suitable for single/couple/family with 1 child, patio, no smoking allowed, small pets allowed.

#189 furnished house, Senner Hellweg, 33604 Bielefeld, 1000€, 80m². Until: 31.12.2017, 2 rooms, living room, KB, car space available, garden, pets allowed, suitable for couples, families or shared flats.

#217 furnished house, Roonstr., 33615 Bielefeld, 1450€, 140m², until: 25.02.2017, 3 bedrooms, living room, KB, suitable for families with 3 or more children, no pets allowed, no smoking allowed.

#238 unfurnished room, Kesselbrink, 33602 Bielefeld, 350€,14m², unfurnished room in a shared flat, shared KB, suitable for single or couple, shared garden, no pets allowed, smoking allowed.

#241 furnished flat, Voltmannstrasse ,33619 Bielefeld, 530€, 18m²,until 01.05.2017; 1 room apartment, furnished, suitable for single, 1 bedroom, shared living room, KB shared, shared utility room, shared patio, garden , pets allowed, smoking allowed.

#248 unfurnished flat, Kreienieksheide, 33619 Bielefeld, 700€, 68m², 1 bedroom, living room, KB, kitchen furnished, suitable for single or couple, balcony, no pets allowed, no smoking allowed.

Further Info

In the last year, almost 200,000 scholars were inscribed as doctoral students at German Universities. 15% of them were foreigners. For more information (in German): http://www.rp-online.de/panorama/wissen/bildung/fast-200000-doktoranden-an-deutschen-unis-aid-1.6276427

ViSiB has come out with a new programme of leisure activities for the winter term 2016/2017! You can take part in a day trip to Düsseldorf on 29th October or experience the Christmas Fair in Wuppertal on 3rd December. Take a look at the other activities here: http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/%28en%29/visib/freizeit.html
You want to find children’s books in Spanish, Greek, French, Italian or any other language? http://www.bibliomagia.de/ has a great selection!

Bielefeld University sets up clearing house for refugees. Bielefeld University is committed to help refugees with getting started at university. Read more about it under the following link: http://ekvv.uni-bielefeld.de/blog/uninews/entry/bielefeld_university_sets_up_clearing