

# Bielefeld University Welcome Centre Newsletter

May 2017

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## Welcome Centre Events

9th May	9:30 – 11:30	<p><b>Campus Start</b> in U7-205</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Registration required: <a href="mailto:welcome@uni-bielefeld.de">welcome@uni-bielefeld.de</a></p>
9 <sup>th</sup> May	11:30 – 12:30	<p><b>Campus Tour</b>, departing from U7-205</p> <p>Following Campus Start, we offer a guided tour through the main and X building explaining all points of everyday interest for your convenience.</p>
9 <sup>th</sup> May	12:30 – 13:30	<p><b>International Lunch</b>, Westend cafeteria, main building</p> <p>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.</p>
12 <sup>th</sup> May	11:00 – 15:00	<p><b>Closing event of the project “Academics in Sub-Saharan Africa”</b> in T2-204</p> <p>The information and networking event with the title "Doing Research in Sub-Saharan Africa - Institutions, Projects and Challenges" consists of presentations by participants of the project on research institutions and projects in the region and a panel discussion on the challenges and opportunities of doing research there.</p> <p>Registration required (until May 8, 2017): <a href="mailto:welcome@uni-bielefeld.de">welcome@uni-bielefeld.de</a></p>
16 <sup>th</sup> May	19:30 – 21:00	<p><b>International <i>Stammtisch</i></b>, (Regulars’ Table), Casa Café &amp; Bar</p> <p>Monthly informal get-together to meet other international academics in a casual atmosphere. Simply show up at the Casa in Karl-Eilers-Straße 12 in 33602 Bielefeld on the third Tuesday of every month.</p>
1 <sup>st</sup> June	12:00-16:30 in	<p><b>Alexander von Humboldt scholarship workshop</b> in Morgenbreede 2-4 , Seminarraum 1.01/1.02 (rooms of the Studierendenwerk). The workshop will feature an official representative of the Humboldt Foundation and aims to inform and consult professors and post docs regarding the scholarships and prizes available through Alexander von Humboldt Foundation for international cooperations and work abroad.</p> <p>For more information, contact Donovan Babin under <a href="mailto:donovan.babin@uni-bielefeld.de">donovan.babin@uni-bielefeld.de</a>.</p>

## Scholarships and Grants

Application deadline: The Welcome Centre announces a **Scholarship for particularly engaged international doctoral candidates** (funded by DAAD). Prerequisites include

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a good academic record and previous voluntary (social) engagement serving international exchange; good knowledge of the German and the English language as well as another modern language is advantageous. Applicants should be at least in the second year of the doctoral studies. For further information see here: <https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/%28en%29/International/Scientists/aktuell/index.html>

Application  
deadline:  
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The Welcome Centre announces **Final degree scholarships for international doctoral candidates** (funded by DAAD): The final degree scholarship aims at helping international PhD students who need funding in order to complete their studies. Prerequisites include a good academic record and the expectation that the degree will be granted within a year. For further information see here: <https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/%28en%29/International/Scientists/aktuell/index.html>

Application  
deadline:  
September 14<sup>th</sup>,  
2017

The University of Jaén is hosting new researchers within the framework of the **Marie Skłodowska-Curie postdoctoral fellowships programme**.

More information on the programme and application requirements:  
[http://ec.europa.eu/.../2016\\_20.../main/h2020-wp1617-msca\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/.../2016_20.../main/h2020-wp1617-msca_en.pdf)

Application  
deadline:  
December 1st,  
2017

The new **research programme “Security, Society and the State” of the Gerda Henkel Foundation** is offering grants young researchers who want to pursue unconventional research agendas in the field of security.

More information: <http://www.gerda-henkel-stiftung.de/spsss>

## Career Development

Registration  
deadline:  
May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017

The Ministry of Innovation, Science and Research of NRW and the University of Bonn are organizing an information event (in German) that deals with **contracts in research programmes**.

It will take place at the Universitätsclub Bonn e.V. on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

More information: <https://www.uni-bonn.de/forschung/euroconsult/veranstaltungskalender>

Takes place on  
May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017

The **mentoring-programme *movement* for female PostDocs** is restarting in September.

If you are interested, you can join an informational meeting (in German) on Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 10am in room C2-136.

More information on the event and programme(English): <http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/%28en%29/mentoring/movement/>

Takes place on  
May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**Information event on funding opportunities for cooperations with Canada**  
as well as an introduction to the Canadian higher education system will be  
provided at an event at the University of Bonn.

It will take place on Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> May in the university main building.

You can find additional information at: <https://www.uni-bonn.de/forschung/euroconsult/veranstaltungskalender>

## 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

#257 Flat furnished, Im Hagen, 33739 Bielefeld, 1 bedroom, KB, furnished kitchen, living room; suitable for singles, couples, shared flat, family with 1 child, garden, pets allowed, smoking allowed

#154 Room furnished, August-Schröder-Str., 33602 Bielefeld, 300€, 18m<sup>2</sup> room in shared flat, landlady is the flat mate, shared KB, internet included, no pets, smoking allowed, women only

#259 Flat furnished, Am Gottesberg, 33619 Bielefeld, bedroom, living room, KB, kitchen furnished, suitable for couples, balcony, no pets allowed, no smoking allowed

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

#190 Room furnished, Manchesterstr., 33604, Bielefeld, 370€, 20m<sup>2</sup>, 1 room, kitchenette, shared bathroom, suitable for singles, no pets allowed, renting minimum: 1 year, women only

## Further Info

### Article about rising costs for Renting in Bielefeld

Article in the local newspaper on April 6, 2017 about the current accommodation market in Bielefeld and OWL (Ostwestfalen - Lippe): Accommodation market for renting and buying is very tight and prices have risen dramatically within the last year. To read the article, go to:

[http://www.nw.de/nachrichten/wirtschaft/21742027\\_Immobilien-Preise-in-OWL-ziehen-drastisch-an.html](http://www.nw.de/nachrichten/wirtschaft/21742027_Immobilien-Preise-in-OWL-ziehen-drastisch-an.html)

## Forró Dancing Classes

The Hochschulsport has some rare courses such as the **Forró dancing classes**.

Forró is a traditional brazilian dance. The courses are on Tuesdays at 18:00 (advance) and 20:00 (beginner) at the gymnastics hall in the Laborschule (orange building next to the uni).

It is not needed to bring a dancing partner. For More information on Forró and other offers visit:  
[https://hsp.sport.uni-bielefeld.de/angebote/Sommersemester\\_2017/\\_Forr\\_.html](https://hsp.sport.uni-bielefeld.de/angebote/Sommersemester_2017/_Forr_.html)