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### MINGZ Doc Newsletter

Dear doctoral researcher,

It's a good thing that mental health has become increased attention since the Covid pandemic. You can easily find numerous articles and offers for help. However, it became evident that the most important role in a mental health issue is awareness and the contact to experts as well as other persons in a similar situation.

Therefore, we are happy to promote the [HRA-graduate day](#) on Monday, the 18th of March which is dedicated around mental health. Last but not least, we can highly recommend Desiree Dickerson (Closing note at 4pm), who will talk about "filling your excess". We remember Desiree Dickerson, a speaker who touched many people during the isolation phase of the Covid pandemic.

In addition, the MINGZ offers a [contact point for mental health](#) as well as issues with your supervisor under [bestatung\\_min@uni-hamburg.de](mailto:bestatung_min@uni-hamburg.de)

Yours, MIN Graduate Center

### NEWS OF MIN GRADUATE CENTER

#### Akademische/r Tutor/Tutorin im MIN Graduiertenzentrum gesucht (in german only)

Das MIN Graduiertenzentrum bietet unterschiedliche fördernde Maßnahmen für Promovierende der Fakultät für Mathematik, Informatik und Naturwissenschaften an. Eines dieser Angebote bietet internationalen Promovierenden Unterstützung vor und bei Ankunft, sowie während des Aufenthaltes durch ein kleines Team von akademischen Tutoren. Diese beantworten persönlich und per Email Anfragen und beraten bei bürokratischen Hindernissen.

**Einsatzort:** Campus Bahrenfeld, Universität Hamburg  
**Start:** ASAP im Jahr 2024 **Beschäftigungsumfang:** 2 Semesterwochenstunden (Vergütung: 390 € pro Monat)  
**Aufgaben:** Unterstützung internationaler Promovierender bei der Ankunft in Hamburg, Lösung administrativer und alltäglicher Probleme, Organisation von Vernetzungsmöglichkeiten.

Für Rückfragen steht Ihnen Dr. Anne Catherin Zappe ([anne.zappe@uni-hamburg.de](mailto:anne.zappe@uni-hamburg.de)) gerne zur Verfügung.  
[Bitte senden Sie Ihre aussagekräftigen Bewerbungsunterlagen per Email als PDF-Dokument.](#)

#### MINGZ Webinar I: Career Planning - Stay on track with an Individual Development Plan (IDP)

3. April 2024, 12:00 p.m. - 01:00 p.m., online

Doing a doctorate is a challenging task. It requires a strong commitment for several years, and the route to success is full of uncertainties. To support you on your doctoral journey, the MIN Graduate Center has designed a personal planning tool: the Individual Development Plan (IDP), which can be downloaded on the MINGZ website. The IDP will help you communicate with your supervisor(s), understand your skills and interests, stay on track, assess your progress, and plan your career. In a live online session we will explain how to use your IDP efficiently and how to adapt it to your specific needs. This webinar is recommended in particular for 1st and 2nd year doctoral researchers.

[Register via Geveits](#)

#### Early Bird: MINGZ GSP Course - June

10. and 11. June 2024, 09:00 a.m. - 01:00 p.m.

The MIN Graduate Center recommends all doctoral researchers to participate in a seminar on Good Scientific Practice. We will discuss important issues around a smooth and successful completion of your doctorate:

Introduction to the Bylaws of Good Scientific Practice, Misconduct in Research, Handling Data, Publication Process and Authorship, Responsibility of Supervisors and the Supervisor, Academic Freedom and Resolving Conflicts  
[Further information and how to register](#)

### WORKSHOPS & NETWORKING EVENTS

#### d-fine Recruiting Events

**d-fine Date with Danh Nguyen, mathematician and software engineering expert, 11 April**

- 17:30 - 18:30, MS Teams
- The format for a relaxed and informal exchange
- Target group: Students and graduates of physics, computer science, mathematics, natural sciences, engineering and economics programmes
- Registration deadline: 10 April

**d-fine Day Münster, 17 April**

- 12:00 - 18:30, at the Mövenpick Hotel Münster
- The format for comprehensive insights into everyday consulting work and presentation of projects. From consultant to partner - employees are available to answer questions.
- Target group: Students and graduates of physics, computer science, mathematics, natural sciences, engineering and economics programmes
- Registration deadline: 10 April
- Travelling expenses will be reimbursed after individual consultation

**QC & QML Hackathon in cooperation with ING-DiBa, 19 - 21 April in Frankfurt**

- Quantum Computing (QC) and Quantum Machine Learning (QML) Hackathon. An exciting weekend of hacking and networking with like-minded people at ING-DiBa.
- Target group: Students, graduates and young professionals
- Registration deadline: 15 March
- Travelling expenses will be reimbursed after individual consultation

**d-fine Deep Tech Evening, 24 April in Frankfurt**

- 17:00 - 19:00, at the d-fine office in Frankfurt
- Exciting evening event in a relaxed atmosphere with specialised lectures and networking.
- Target group: Students and graduates of computer science, business informatics, data science and related disciplines
- Registration deadline: 17 April
- Travelling expenses will be reimbursed after individual consultation

**d-fine Day - Engineers in management consulting, 25 April**

- 14:00 - 16:45, MS Teams
- The format for comprehensive insights into everyday consulting work and presentation of projects. From consultant to partner - employees are available to answer questions.
- Target group: Students and graduates from the various engineering disciplines
- Registration deadline: 24 April

**d-fine Date with Désirée Töpfer, chemist and expert for the chemical industry, 15 May**

- 17:30 - 18:30, MS Teams
- The format for a relaxed and informal exchange
- Target group: Students and graduates of physics, computer science, mathematics, natural sciences, engineering and economics degree programmes
- Registration deadline: 14 May

[Further information and registration](#)

#### HUL: Online Writing Retreat

23. to 25. April 2024, 09:00 a.m. - 03:30 p.m., online

The Online Writing Retreat enables you to write productively at fixed times and to exchange ideas with others in a motivating way. For three consecutive days, we will open up a digital writing space for you, which you can access from your desk at home (or wherever you happen to be). We structure the writing time for you, allow time for discussions and offer you additional suggestions in short impulse workshops on topics such as text planning with the "snowflake method", defence of the dissertation or concrete work on the text with the "chapter scan".

[Register via OpenOlat](#)

#### Workshop: BioHighTech for Plant Breeding

4. and 5. June 2024, BioTech-Campus Gatersleben

At our workshop, we'll dive into the BioTech-Campus "Green Gate Gatersleben", an internationally renowned research site in which academic and private institutions apply high technologies such as phenomics, genomics, data science, and artificial intelligence tools to foster plant research.

On day 1, the Leibniz Institute of Plant Genetics and Crop Plant Research (IPK) will give insights into major research infrastructures as well as advanced data analysis tools. We will visit the Federal ex situ gene bank, one of the world's largest germplasm collections, and the PhenSphere with its highly controlled environmental conditions and innovative rhizotron and container system for phenotyping.

On day 2, two companies at the interface will open their facilities for the PLANT 2030 ACADEMY. TraitGenetics and SU Biotech conduct applied plant science and offer various services for plant breeding. Here, we will gain insights into high-throughput genotyping, double haploids techniques and marker analyses as well as career opportunities for plant scientists.

[Registration closes latest 20. March 2024](#)

[Further information and registration](#)

#### Language courses in the summer semester 2024

The Language Centre of Universität Hamburg, are offering English and German courses in the summer semester 2024 that are specially tailored to doctoral candidates and academic staff.

The following English courses are offered:  
Academic Writing Workshop, Academic Writing, Presentation Skills - Level: B2/C1

German for international academics & PhD candidates:  
Refresher Course - Niveau: A2, day-to-day German at university - Niveau: B1&B2, academic German) - Niveau: C1, Communication in the library - Niveau: starting from A2, (all about numbers in German) - Niveau: ab A2, teaching in German) - Niveau: starting from B2.

[Further information](#)

#### KURSWECHSEL - Career Conference for Female Early Career Researchers

You are a highly qualified candidate for the top professional positions in your field. Do you actively think about your career options? Do you already know all the career paths available to you? Would you like to expand your professional network? Do you think about how you can overcome obstacles on the way to your favorite next position?

The aim of the KURSWECHSEL conference is to support women\* in the strategic planning of their careers, to present career prospects outside academia and to help them make a qualified decision on their next career steps.

[Further information and registration](#)

#### Doctoral Council - Joint Co-Working and Exchange

Every Thursday, 02:00 p.m. - 05:00 p.m., at the Hamburg Research Academy (Gorch-Fock-Wall 7) in room C.1067 and online

The Doctoral Council would like to invite all doctoral researchers from Hamburg to a joint Co-Working and exchange. It can be difficult to motivate yourself to write regularly on your own. The Co-Working offers you the space to work on your writing projects together with other doctoral students in a quiet atmosphere at a regular time. You will be guided into and out of writing with one writing exercise respectively. Afterwards and during the writing breaks, you can also use the room to network and talk with other doctoral students.

[Register here](#)

### JOB OFFERS & FELLOWSHIPS

#### Open position at Humans and Microbes - UKE

The Research Training Group 2771 "Humans & Microbes" offers one scientific PhD student position in infection biology.

The position will be located at the Institute of Medical Microbiology, Virology and Hygiene of the University Medical Center Hamburg Eppendorf (UKE) in the group of Prof. Aepfelflacher. The candidate will be associated with a dynamic and competitive research training group in Hamburg and will profit from its educational, methodological and networking activities.

We are looking for a PhD candidate in Molecular Bacteriology to investigate the immunosuppressive function of a *Yersinia enterocolitica* effector protein.

[Further information](#)

#### Vacancy for life science graduates at EUROIMMUN near Lübeck

Invitations are currently invited for the position of a technology transfer professional responsible for IP searches and grant applications/management.

Your new role entails supporting our patent department in analyzing intellectual property rights and facilitating technology transfers. You'll also manage public funding applications for R&D projects, conduct patent searches, ensure compliance with licensing agreements, and maintain databases.

Requirements include a degree in molecular biology, biochemistry, chemistry, or process engineering, along with proficiency in those fields. Experience with patents and research, familiarity with bioinformatic tools, strong intercultural communication skills, and fluency in English (with proficiency in another language like Chinese preferred) are essential. You should also have excellent communication skills, a service-oriented mindset, and attention to detail.

Expect job security with indefinite contracts, a balanced work-life schedule, a supportive work environment, and competitive compensation including 13 salaries and retirement plan contributions.

[Further information and application](#)

#### Call for Applications: International Partnership Funding (IPF)

Are you looking to (re)connect with international colleagues from partner universities this year?

With this call, we aim to facilitate new and ongoing collaboration in research, teaching and administration, primarily with UHH's international strategic and profile partner universities. After successful application, we provide funding for activities at the partner university or in Hamburg that strengthen and deepen international partnerships and aim at creating long-term and sustainable collaborations.

The target groups are UHH researchers looking for funding for joint research or teaching activities, and UHH administrative staff.

[Deadline for application is 15. March 2024](#)

[Further information and application](#)

#### Ideas and Venture Fund

The aim of the Ideas and Venture Fund is to provide quick and uncomplicated funding for research projects that lay the foundations for the acquisition of third-party projects in individual funding programs. Measures eligible for funding include preliminary studies, preparatory workshops, and networking activities.

Funds are still available to support initiatives in the application phase for the funding of collaborations (e.g. SFBs, research groups or research training groups), which were previously also supported by the IVF. Please contact the colleagues in Dept. 4 Research Management and Funding.

Researchers who have a doctorate (up to 5 years after doctorate – parental leave etc. is considered accordingly) and whose employment at Universität Hamburg is secure for the planned duration of both the IVF project and submitting the subsequent grant proposal are eligible. Funding requests can be submitted for projects in the University's emerging fields and profile initiatives. The funding amounts to €50,000 per project.

[Deadline for application is 29. March 2024](#)

#### Announcement of the award of VAA Stiftung

The VAA Foundation's Excellence Prize is awarded for outstanding dissertations that represent a special achievement for the further development of the above-mentioned specialist areas and that can be said to have industrial application relevance.

The award is accompanied by prize money of €5,000.00 in each case as well as a certificate highlighting the merits of the award winner. In total, prize money of €15,000.00 is awarded in a calendar year.

Faculties and departments of chemistry and process engineering are entitled to nominate candidates. The agreement on the nomination of a dissertation from the faculty or department is made in accordance with the rules or practices applicable within the university.

The work to be awarded should have been completed in the calendar year 2023 (January 1 to December 31) (completion period).

[Suitable proposals for the award can be submitted until 31. March 2024](#)

#### Independent Projects for Postdocs - Universität Bremen

The University of Bremen's 2024 Central Research Funding call emphasizes interdisciplinary collaboration and the ability to transcend subject boundaries to foster innovation. Postdocs, both from Germany and abroad, are eligible to apply.

For those shortly after completing their PhD (A), the doctoral certificate must be obtained within 10 months after the application deadline, not exceeding two years from the deadline.

For advanced postdocs aiming for professorship (B), the PhD should be between two to four years before the application deadline.

The project aims to prepare candidates for professorship, focusing on developing a profile appealing to their discipline.

Funding includes a three-year postdoc position with an additional allowance of up to €5,000 per year. Personal development support and assistance in grant proposal writing are provided. Research stays abroad of up to nine months are allowed, with a teaching load of one class per semester for the full postdoc position.

[Deadline for application is 1. April 2024, 11:59 p.m.](#)

#### Call for Applications: PIER Seed Projects 2024

Are you an early-career researcher at DESY or UHH/uke and have an innovative idea for a joint research project?

Then PIER Seed Projects could be something for you! The programme promotes innovative research ideas in the research fields of particle & astroparticle physics, nanoscience, photon science, infection & structural biology, accelerator research, theoretical physics and artefact profiling.

It provides rapid and non-bureaucratic seed funding to identify, develop and implement completely new research ideas. It focuses on the promotion of creative ideas and lateral thinking that may sound risky but have high potential benefits.

[Deadline for application is 8. April 2024](#)

#### Groningen-Hamburg Funding

Universität Hamburg and the University of Groningen jointly support collaborative initiatives with the aim of leading to third-party funded research, large scale collaborations, jointly authored papers as well as joint teaching activities at the advanced level (master or doctoral education).

You are invited to apply for funding up to a maximum of EUR 8,000. The initiative will be jointly funded by Universität Hamburg and the University of Groningen. Funding will be confirmed in May and should be spent within 18 months starting from 1 July 2024.

[Deadline for application is 15. April 2024](#)

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