

Bielefeld University Welcome Centre Newsletter

April 2018

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Welcome Centre Events and News

- March 28, 2018 15:30 - 16:30 The Welcome Centre is offering a **guided tour in the Historic Museum of Bielefeld** on Wednesday, March 28 at 15:30. Participants will be lead through exhibits featuring interesting aspects of the history of Bielefeld. The tour will be in English and free of charge. Spots are limited, however, so please send an email to matthew.burch@uni-bielefeld.de in order to reserve a spot.
- April 5, 2018 9:30 – 11:30 **Campus Start** in U7-205
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
- April 5, 2018 11:30 – 12:30 **Campus Tour**, departing from U7-205
Following Campus Start, we offer a guided tour through the main and X building explaining all points of everyday interest for your convenience.
- April 5, 2018 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.
- April 17, 2018 19:30 –21:00 **International *Stammtisch***, (Regulars' Table), Casa Café & Bar
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.

Scholarships, Grants, Positions

Deadline: 31
May, 2018

The Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange (NAWA) has launched a programme for Polish researchers called "**Polish Returns**" with the goal of enabling Polish scientists to return to their country and it will create optimal conditions for returning scientists to conduct world-class research and/or development work. Proposals must be submitted by 31 May 2018 only in the NAWA ICT system, at: <https://programs.nawa.gov.pl/login>

Several
deadlines

The Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research has opened **postdoc positions** in Germany on different research areas:

Environmental law: <http://bit.ly/2paKEfx>

Protein microarray technology development: <http://bit.ly/2paD43P>

Resource technology: <http://bit.ly/2HxNvGf>

<https://recruitingapp-5128.de.umantis.com/Vacancies/1293/Description/2>

Deadline: April
25, 2018

The Université libre de Bruxelles has created a **Solidarity Fund** in order to support researchers that hold a PhD, who no longer have the freedom to pursue their research in their home country. It consists of a **one year postdoctoral solidarity fellowship for researchers at risk in all disciplines**. Further information:

<https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=2104539339561370&set=pcb.2104539632894674&type=3&theater&ifg=1>

Deadline: April
1st, 2018

The Leibniz-Gemeinschaft offers various **postdoc positions** in different study areas:

Developmental genetics of cereal crops: <http://bit.ly/2CT6qbu>

Solid state research: <http://bit.ly/2oNR03E>

Haptic perception of materials: <http://bit.ly/2Fcfuhd>

Career Development

The Center for Research on Learning and Teaching's Occasional Paper published an article on "**Writing a Statement of Teaching Philosophy for the Academic Job Search**," with helpful advices on writing teaching statements based on survey responses from search committee chairs.

http://www.crlt.umich.edu/sites/default/files/resource_files/CRLT_no23.pdf

Accommodation

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

#283 Room furnished, Im Bracksiek, Bielefeld, 300€, 12m², Room in a shared flat, suitable for singles, bedroom, no living room, KB shared, internet included, no pets allowed, no smoking allowed, women only

#292 House furnished, Kerkenbrink, 33619 Bielefeld, 1200€, 140m², 3 bedrooms, living room, KB, balcony and patio/garden, car space available, suitable for families with up to 3 children, no pets allowed, no smoking allowed

#300 Flat partially furnished, Melanchthonstr., 33615 Bielefeld, 880€, 100m², Available now until: 31.07.2018, 1 bedroom, own kitchen furnished, own bathroom, own livingroom, internet included, shared garden, shared utility room, no pets allowed, no smoking allowed

#271 Flat unfurnished, Stückenstraße , 33604 Bielefeld, 885€, 90m², Unfurnished flat with more than 1 room, KB, 2 bedrooms, living room, suitable for singles, couples, families with 1 child, patio, garden, winter garden available, no pets allowed, smoking allowed

Further Info

Until April 28,
2018

“Racism - not with me!” is this year’s motto within the anti- racism activity weeks in Bielefeld. A Network of several Institutions in Bielefeld have put together a wide program in cooperation with the communal Integration office of the Bielefeld City Hall. [https://ki-bielefeld.de/174-Antirassismus -
Aktionswochen](https://ki-bielefeld.de/174-Antirassismus-_Aktionswochen)

July 16 – 21,
2018

Bielefeld has its own **dance festival**, which will be taking place in the last two weeks of July. The workshop programme features a variety of dance styles from classical ballet to flamenco for adults and children of different proficiency levels. Some of them are also thought in English.
Detailed information: <http://www.tanzfestival-bielefeld.de/en/tanzfestival-bielefeld/about-tfb/>

2018 marks the **50th anniversary of ZiF**, the Center for Interdisciplinary Research. ZiF was founded in 1968 as the world's first university based institute for advanced study to embody interdisciplinarity and research orientation as the characteristics of the new university.

In the News

“Science in Exile” trailer

A new documentary film from The World Academy of Sciences (TWAS) explores how recent violence in Syria, Yemen and Iraq has threatened the lives of four researchers, forcing them to suspend their work and flee their homelands.

To watch the trailer please click here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i6NrZ_AKRPI