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Newsletter for Doctoral Candidates

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Dear Doctoral Candidates,

We hope you are doing well. The end of the semester can be a very busy time packed with many tasks – how about planning ahead for your summer semester and enhance your transferable skills set? Then [subscribe to our Transferable Skills Training Newsletter](#) and don't miss out on our upcoming course opportunities. 😊

In today's newsletter, we would like to encourage you to take part in the new round of the [National Academics Panel Study \(Nacaps\)](#). The longitudinal study is the only representative scientific examination of doctoral candidates and doctorate holders in Germany. On February 27, we will send an invitation link to every doctoral candidate at TUM who has been registered after December 1, 2020. However, why should you participate? Research, higher education institutions such as TUM and educational policy will benefit from your experiences – and so will you yourself as a doctoral candidate. Take part and make a difference!

Have you ever looked at the [TUM Publication Guidelines for Affiliation Designation](#)? If not, it might be a good idea to do so! Learn more about the current regulations and be on the safe side when publishing.

Moreover, we would like to congratulate the [newly elected TUM Graduate Council \(GC\) speaker team](#): Anna Christina Jäkel (TUM School of Natural Sciences) as first GC speaker and Ayesha Müller-Wolfertshofer (TUM School of Engineering and Design) as second speaker! We are very much looking forward to further cooperation. Of course, we will keep you updated on the latest activities of the GC.

Further, we are pleased to announce that our [international portfolio at TUM-GS](#) continues to grow. With the [upcoming TUM-Tsinghua research exchange program](#), we expect to enable our doctoral candidates to gain research experiences at the internationally renowned Tsinghua University from early summer this year.

As always, we compiled some interesting events for you in the [TUM & Co.](#) section, as well as a report from the [DocEnhance project](#) on doctorate holders' employment situation, skills match and more.

We wish you all a pleasant day!

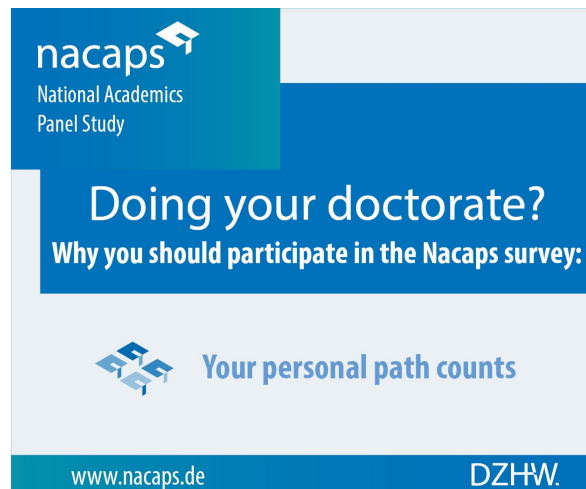
Nacaps Study on Doctoral Candidates – Take Part and make a difference!

On February 27, the Nacaps survey will enter a new round – and your opinion is in demand! The National Academics Panel Study (Nacaps) by the German Centre for Higher Education Research and Science Studies (DZHW) aims to gather versatile research data on the study conditions for doctorates, career aims and professional development, as well as on the general life situation of doctoral candidates and doctorate holders in Germany.

By the end of February 2023, we will invite every doctoral candidate at TUM who has been registered after December 1, 2020. You will receive a link via email that grants you access to take part in the longitudinal online survey.

So why should you participate in the survey? Because your personal path and experiences count. Only with a large number of respondents, the study depicts a full picture of the doctorate landscape. Scientific research, higher education institutions such as TUM and educational policy will benefit from this information – and so will you yourself as a doctoral candidate! Your participation will influence future decisions, which are relevant for early career researchers. Learn more on the [Nacaps website](#).

[Learn more](#)



Nacaps Survey – Your personal path counts!
(Image: Nacaps)

Extended version of TUM Publication Guidelines for Affiliation Designation

Did you know that TUM extended its binding Publication Guidelines in 2022? The new version includes regulations on how authors shall indicate their affiliation when belonging to two higher-level units at TUM. The aim is to ensure all publications originating from TUM are accurately attributed to the university. In case of authors belonging to two or more units, both affiliations must be named with the institution where the majority of research was conducted listed first. The updated guidelines are binding for all TUM members and visiting scholars. Learn more on the [website of the University Library](#) and [have a look at the guidelines](#).

[Guidelines](#)

Graduate Council

New Graduate Council Speakers Team 2023 Elected

On January 18, the Graduate Council gathered online for its 101st meeting to vote for the new speakers of the 2023 term. The Graduate Council is happy to announce that Anna Christina Jäkel ([Physics of Synthetic Biological Systems, TUM School of Natural Sciences](#)), former second speaker, was elected as first speaker of the Graduate Council. Ayesha Müller-Wolfertshofer ([Urban Design, TUM School of Engineering and Design](#)) was elected as the second speaker. Anna Christina Jäkel has been a doctoral representative of the Graduate Center of Physics since 2021 and continued her role in the Graduate Center, TUM School of Natural Sciences. Ayesha Müller-Wolfertshofer has been a doctoral representative of the School of Engineering and Design since 2022. As of January 18, this team is the official voice of the Graduate Council and thus, represents all doctoral candidates at TUM. Feel free to get in touch with the Graduate Council and the speakers team of Anna & Ayesha via [e-mail](#).



New second GC speaker
Ayesha Müller-Wolfertshofer
(Photo: Müller-Wolfertshofer)

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Internationalization

Upcoming research exchange program with Tsinghua University

We are pleased to announce that our international portfolio at TUM-GS continues to grow. With the upcoming TUM-Tsinghua research exchange program, we expect to enable our doctoral candidates to gain research experiences at Tsinghua University from early summer this year. Tsinghua University is not only considered China's leading technical university, but is also one of the best universities in the world. We will provide you with more information on the application procedure and funding in due time. During the visit of the high-ranking Tsinghua delegation to Munich this January, the TUM President, Senior Vice Presidents Juliane Winkelmann and Gerhard Kramer, as well as our Graduate Dean Hans-Joachim Bungartz signed the agreement for the upcoming program.



New President of Tsinghua University visits TUM.
Prof. Wang Xiqin, Prof. Kramer,
Prof. Wang Hongwei, Prof. Winkelmann,
Prof. Bungartz, Prof. Hofmann, l. to r.
(Photo: Alicia de Mier)

If you would like to learn more about current projects and long-term partnership between both universities, have a look at the [Global & Alumni Office website](#).

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International Women's Day 2023 – Career Paths of Strong TUM Women

On International Women's Day (March 8), all TUM members are cordially invited to join in on a range of events – especially and explicitly the many wonderful TUM women. This year's motto is "Career Paths of Strong TUM Women" and it is indeed a motto that packs a punch: Meet women who carved their very own path at and through TUM, visit their workspaces, listen to them on the evening panel and feel strengthened, inspired and connected. Please note that all events are held in German.

www.chancengleichheit.tum.de/en/diversity/projekte/weltfrauentag/international-womens-day-2023/

What's after a doctorate? Results from the DocEnhance project

The EU-funded DocEnhance project, in which the TUM Graduate School participated, released a report issued from its survey on doctorate holders' employment situation, skills match, and their perceived value of the doctorate. In addition to the results of the survey, the DocEnhance project provides open educational resources on its platform as well as three transferable skills pilot courses that address the future needs and competences of researchers. Have a look at the project website to find out more.

<https://docenhance.eu/>

Summer School "Enabling the Transition to a New Energy System"

You can now apply for the 2nd Summer School of Linde Engineering in cooperation with the Munich Institute of Integrated Materials, Energy and Process Engineering at TUM and Hochschule München entitled "Enabling the Transition to a New Energy System". With climate change becoming an increasing challenge, use of alternative sources of energy and adjustments in industrial processes are gaining substantial relevance. The upcoming Summer School 2023 presents approaches and methods how to convert sustainability into reality. The Summer School takes place from July 17-21, 2023 and you can apply until March 15. Participation is free of charge for doctoral candidates.

[Poster Summer School](#)

Einladung zum Open Space „Wissenschaftliche Kooperation mit China gestalten“

Das Bayerischen Hochschulzentrum für China (BayChina) der Universität Bayreuth lädt Wissenschaftler*innen bayerischer Hochschulen – von der Promotion zur Professur – herzlich zum Open Space Format „Wissenschaftliche Kooperation mit China gestalten“ am 21. Februar 2023 in München ein. Die Einsicht, dass die chinesische Wissenschaftslandschaft in vielen Bereichen zur Weltspitze zählt und eine partnerschaftliche Wissenschaftskooperation den wissenschaftlichen Fortschritt fördern kann, hat sich mittlerweile durchgesetzt. Gleichzeitig nehmen in letzter Zeit die Unsicherheiten zur konkreten (Aus-)Gestaltung der Wissenschaftskooperation mit China zu. In Open Space Format mit Expert*innen-Vorträgen, können Teilnehmende persönliche Fragen, Anliegen und Bedenken einbringen und mit Gleichgesinnten diskutieren. Die Veranstaltung ist kostenlos. Anmelden können Sie sich bis zum 10. Februar über info@baychina.de.

www.baychina.de/news/wissenschaftliche-kooperation-mit-china-gestalten-als-wissenschaftlerin-als-einzelperson-als-hochschule

New DAAD funding program "Bridge Scholarships Iran"

With the "Bridge Scholarships Iran", the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) offers Iranians, who have left their home country due to the current political situation and are already in Germany, an opportunity to build or continue their academic career as part of a doctorate or postdoctoral phase at a state or state-recognized higher education institution resp. non-university research institution in Germany. The Bridge Scholarship will be granted between 3 months to a maximum of 9 months and depends on the project in question and the applicant's work schedule. The funding must be completed by 31 January 2024 at the latest. Application is open until 28 February 2023.

[Bridge Scholarship Iran](#)

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us!

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