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## Newsletter for Doctoral Candidates

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Dear Doctoral Candidates,

We hope you've had a fantastic start to the semester! 😊

In our [TUM-GS section](#), we would like to invite all new doctoral candidates to our [upcoming welcome event](#) on 21 October. We'll be exploring the beautiful Tegernsee and visiting the Museum of the Mountain Rescue Service in Rottach-Egern, which is celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

We've also included a last reminder for your [annual data confirmation in DocGS](#). Complete your confirmation by the end of the week, 15 October!

Are you a doctoral candidate with a passion for research and a story to tell? Then, you might be the perfect candidate for our [upcoming video series "Welcome to my Lab,"](#) showcasing your research project and motivations as a doctoral candidate at TUM.

To foster international research experiences, we offer various funding opportunities for doctoral candidates at TUM. Wondering how to apply for a suitable funding scheme? Have a look at our [new TUM-GS wiki](#), a comprehensive information platform that answers your about [internationalization at TUM Graduate School](#).

The Global & Alumni office invites all TUM members to this year's [Global Dialogue Series with a key focus on the Global South](#). Join one of the upcoming talks with the TUM Liaison Officers, starting today with the TUM São Paulo Dialogue.

As always, we compiled further interesting events and calls for you in the [TUM & Co. section](#).

PS: Have you been on the TUM doctoral candidacy list for over a year and not participated in our Kick-Off Seminar yet? Then note our [Special Kick-Off Seminar on 16 January 2024](#), especially introduced for doctoral candidates who urgently need to participate to complete their doctorate.

We wish you all a pleasant day!

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## TUM-GS News

### Save your spot for our trip to Tegernsee on 21 October!

Our [Welcome @TUM-GS program](#) brings together new doctoral candidates at TUM, who started their doctorate within the last 12 months. Our first trip this winter semester on 21 October leads us to the beautiful Tegernsee. The Tegernsee and its surrounding area is probably one of the most popular destinations for Munich residents on their day off. This year, the nearby mountain rescue service is celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary and is exhibiting interesting insights into their work and past missions. In addition to visiting the museum, we will enjoy Bavarian treats at the Tegernseer Bräustüberl, famous for its own brewery. Learn more on our [website](#) and save your spot now via [email](#).



View from the Wallberg in Rottach-Egern.  
(Photo: Unsplash)

Register now

### Reminder: Your annual data confirmation in DocGS

The annual data confirmation („Rückmeldung“) has started on 1 September and ends in a few days on 15 October. As soon as you have confirmed your data in DocGS, your supervisor will automatically be asked to confirm the data as well.

Only if both parties confirm the data before the deadline on 15 October, your membership will continue regularly. All candidates should have already been notified via the email address provided in DocGS. Therefore, please check your mailbox (and remind your colleagues).



Reminder Data Confirmation  
(Photo: Pexels)

### Be part of our upcoming video series “Welcome to my Lab!”

Are you a doctoral candidate with a passion for research and a story to tell? If so, you might be the perfect candidate for our upcoming video series “Welcome to my Lab”. We want to spotlight the minds behind fascinating research, offering a glimpse into your laboratory or office and the research projects you’re working on. This series is about sharing insights into your journey and experiences as a doctoral candidate at TUM.

Filming each episode will take approximately one hour of your time. The videos will be 5-7 minutes long and published via our [Instagram](#) and [YouTube](#) channels and our [website](#). If you are interested, please send us a short [email](#) introducing yourself, your research, and the setting in which you work. Share your motivations for pursuing your doctorate and why you would like to participate in our new video series. We look forward to hearing from you!

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## Graduate Council

### Come and join the Graduate Council!

Do you want to stand up for the interests of doctoral candidates, network, and take part in great events? The [TUM Graduate Council](#) as the official body of all doctoral candidates offers numerous possibilities to engage.

Whether you want to discuss university related topics, participate in networking events, or run for the office of doctoral representative at your Graduate Center – the Graduate Council looks forward to your message. You can learn more about the Graduate Council on their [website](#) and social media channels. Feel free to contact the current speakers Anna and Ayesha via [e-mail](#).

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Impression from the 105<sup>th</sup> meeting of the TUM GC.  
(Photo: TUM-GS)

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## Internationalization

### International mobility at TUM-GS – Everything you need to know

Research today is more international than ever - and therefore requires a broad international and intercultural skillset. What better way than to build global networks already as a doctoral candidate through a research stay/conference visits abroad? The TUM Graduate School offers different funding schemes for individual mobility to enable doctoral candidates at TUM to expand their international portfolio.

However, there are some points to consider when applying for our different funding schemes. Therefore, we have created a [new wiki page on internationalization support](#) serving as an info platform for doctoral candidates that explains the exact application procedures, funding rates, requirements, and deadlines and answers the most [frequently asked questions](#). You can log into our wiki using your [TUM-ID](#).

TUM-GS Wiki



A globe on a desk.  
(Photo: Unsplash)

## TUM Global Dialogue Series 2023 – Key focus: Global South

The TUM Global Dialogue Series – a speaker series of the TUM Global Network, i.e., all international liaison offices of TUM - will take place again in the winter semester of 2023/24. The TUM Global Dialogue Series 2023 focuses on the topic "Global South". The events are organized by the Global Engagement Team of the TUM Global & Alumni Office and the TUM Global Liaison Officers.

All doctoral candidates who would like to participate in the dialogue between TUM researchers and their international partners, as well as social actors worldwide, are cordially invited.



TUM Global Dialogue Series  
(Image: TUM G&A Office)

The events will be held online and in English. The events kick off today, 10 October, with the TUM São Paulo Dialogue "North-South and South-South cooperation on the example of Agricultural Research". Other scheduled Dialogues are "Decolonizing Global Health", "Tsinghua-TUM Talks on Intelligent Cities", and "An Indo-German Initiative for Smart Cities". Information on the individual sessions can be found on the [TUM Global Dialogue Series website](#).

[Register now](#)

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## TUM & Co.

### Nobel Sustainability Trust Summit on 9 November

The Institute for Advanced Study of TUM (TUM-IAS) and the Nobel Sustainability Trust Foundation (NST) jointly organize on November 9, 2023 the third Nobel Sustainability Trust Summit. The event will take place at the Bavarian Academy of Sciences and Humanities in Munich (*Bayerische Akademie der Wissenschaften*). During the symposium, experts will talk about the topics of Sustainability of natural resources, challenges, and impacts on science, policies, and industry. Furthermore, the NST will distinguish two personalities with the "Sustainability Award supported by the Nobel Sustainability Trust Foundation" for their outstanding contribution to Research and Development in the field of Energy and for Leadership in Implementation.

<https://nst-sustainabilityaward.events/info@nst-sustainabilityaward.events>

### Global Opportunities – New newsletter of the TUM Global & Alumni Office

Do you actually know how many global opportunities TUM offers you? With the TUM Global Opportunities newsletter you can now get a lot of new insights behind the scenes of TUM's international engagement.

International exchange, funding programs, cooperations: As an institution, TUM is visible and active worldwide and, through its numerous global partnerships and alliances, makes an enormous amount possible for the personal development of its students, employees, and researchers. Through the new TUM Global Opportunities newsletter, you can get impressions of these activities and, above all, find out about your own global opportunities. The TUM Global Opportunities will initially be sent out at approximately six- to eight-week intervals. Stay up to date and sign up now!

[Sign up now](#)

### **Venture Labs AI Microclasses – Autumn 2023**

Get ready to dive into the world of AI this autumn! Join TUM Venture Labs for the AI Microclasses, two-day deep-dives into the exciting realm of Artificial Intelligence. Don't miss this opportunity to unlock the potential of AI with cutting-edge models like GPT-4, Llama2, Stable Diffusion, and more. The Microclasses are curated by top experts from TUM, Netlight, AWS, and TUM.AI and designed to master AI applications and automation without any coding skills. Whether you are a doctoral candidate, student, aspiring entrepreneur, or researcher, these classes are for everyone interested in AI. Choose from the following classes:

2-3 November: Learn to manage and scale your AI products like a pro.

4-5 November: Build products with AI in just hours.

<https://utum.typeform.com/ai-microclasses>

### **Nucleate Info sessions – October 2023**

The student-led group Nucleate Germany represents a large global innovator community in the field of biotech/life sciences and aims to support (young) innovators in Germany. Are you an early career researcher with a technology that is supported by scientific data, but not quite sure of the next steps to take to bring the product to market? The Activator, the flagship incubator program by Nucleate Germany is here to help. Participating teams are given a personal mentor from their respective field, hands on workshops from world leading experts on areas such as IP Law, and support to scale up the operation. The program is equity-free and in the last three years has formed 200+ startups, with over \$300 million raised. Find out more in one of the info sessions across Munich. Sign up for any of the events using the link below.

11 October: Info session happy hour (Bar Niederlassung, Buttermelchstr 6, Munich)

30 October: Eco Kickoff x Venture Labs (TUM Venture Labs FAB, Maximum-von-Imhof Forum 2, Freising)

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

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