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## Newsletter for Doctoral Candidates

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Dear Doctoral Candidates,

We hope you are doing well and you had a great start into the new semester!

As we continue to [focus on career and professional development](#), we are excited to announce our next fireside chat, jointly organized with TUM: Junge Akademie on the topic “[Steps in my career & professional development – less is more?](#)” Our panelists with diverse personal and scientific backgrounds will discuss their professional and personal journeys and different takes on career planning. Join us on November 22 and get inspired!

Furthermore, we’d like to share a [recap of our first in-person TUM-GS Kick-Off seminars](#) since nearly three years with you! Learn more about our new concept of the mandatory onboarding event for all new doctoral candidates at TUM and [save the dates for 2023](#).

For our [new doctoral candidates at TUM](#), we developed a new event series [Welcome@TUM-GS](#). Come and join us on our first event on November 27, where we will visit the beautiful [Pinakothek der Moderne with an exclusive guided tour](#), covering arts, graphics, architecture and design under one roof. As we want to optimize our upcoming program according to your interests, feel free to answer our [two-minutes-survey](#) and vote for your favorite activities.

In the [TUM & Co.](#) section, we would like to draw your attention to two interesting calls for application, the [Deutscher Studienpreis](#) and the [Hochschulwettbewerb Wissenschaftskommunikation](#), as well as further events.

We wish you all a pleasant day!

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## TUM-GS News

### Fireside chat: Steps in my career & professional development – less is more?

We are excited to announce our next fireside chat jointly organized with TUM: Junge Akademie on November 22, 6-8 p.m., TUM Graduate School, TUM Campus Garching-Forschungszentrum. Many roads lead to a fulfilling career – no matter if staying in academia is your ultimate career goal or just a milestone towards an industry employment or other purposes. However, one thing is certain. Irrespective of what career path you will choose, there will be others competing for the same position or opportunity.



Impression from our last fireside chat with TUM: Junge Akademie (Photo: TUM-GS)

Are there unique features that make one stand out in a crowd in the international job market? Is there a 'bucket list' with things to do that will increase the employability after graduation? Should one focus on a single career path and pursue it no matter what or just go with the flow and see what happens? [Join our fireside chat](#) and meet our panelists Dr. Andrea Geipel (Deutsches Museum, DM Digital), Natalie Eisenhut (Director, Ecosystems Solutions & Success, Celonis SE), as well as TUM professors Dr. Niklas Boers (Earth Systems Modelling) and Dr. Johannes Betz (Autonomous Vehicle Systems). Get inspired by their stories, personal experiences and career choices while wondering about what surprising turns a seemingly flawless career may take.

[Register now](#)

## TUM-GS Kick-Off Seminars – We are finally back in Raitenhaslach!

In October, we finally had the pleasure to welcome our new doctoral candidates for the [TUM-GS Kick-Off Seminar](#) in the [TUM Science & Study Center Raitenhaslach](#) again! The three-day seminar in the beautiful location of an old monastery is all about networking, teamwork and transferable skills. It has been nearly three years since we last organized our Kick-Off on site. Our Qualification Program team has made good use of the time planning and developing new activities, like an escape game, science taboo and others. It was great to see it all come together. A huge thank you to all the participants - we already look forward to our next editions! 😊

If you have just started your doctorate or haven't participated in our TUM-GS Kick-Off yet, have a look at our [website](#) and save the dates for our upcoming seminars in 2023. We will let you know when the registration starts. In the meantime, check out our [Instagram](#) and [LinkedIn channel](#) for a little recap.

[View Website](#)



Our first Kick-Off on site since nearly three years (Photo: TUM-GS)

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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 you 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 Sebastian and Anna via [e-mail](#).

[Contact](#)

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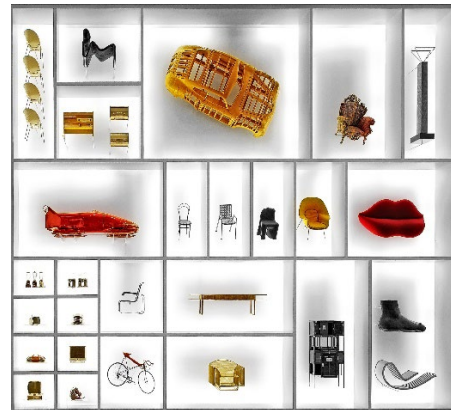
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## Internationalization

### Welcome@TUM-GS – Event series for new doctoral candidates

Welcome@TUM-GS is a new event program especially created for new doctoral candidates who started their doctorate during the last 12 months and want to meet in a leisurely setting to explore TUM, Munich and its surroundings! Each semester, we will be inviting you to four different kinds of events: a field trip, a museum visit, an event related to TUM as well as a Munich-related guided tour. We'll get started right away with a [visit of the Pinakothek der Moderne on November 27](#). Covering arts, graphics, architecture and design under one roof, the Pinakothek der Moderne is one of the largest collection houses in Europe. Feel free to join us as we explore it on a guided tour! See our website for more information and registration.

What other activities interest you? [Vote now where our next trip should take us](#) or send us your suggestion [via email!](#)



Exhibition at Pinakothek der Moderne  
(Photo: Markus Christ/Pixabay)

Upcoming Events

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## TUM & Co.

### Ausschreibung Deutscher Studienpreis 2023

Mit dem Deutschen Studienpreis zeichnet die Körber-Stiftung jährlich Dissertationen aus, die von herausragendem Interesse für die Gesellschaft sind. Der Wettbewerb richtet sich an Nachwuchswissenschaftler\*innen aller Fachrichtungen, die im Jahr 2022 ihre Dissertation mit magna oder summa cum laude abgeschlossen haben bzw. abschließen werden. Mit drei Spitzenpreisen von je 25.000 Euro gehört der Studienpreis zu den höchstdotierten deutschen Nachwuchspreisen. Einsendeschluss für die aktuelle Ausschreibung ist der 1. März 2023. Alle Informationen zu den Teilnahmebedingungen und Tipps für die Bewerbung finden Sie auf der Website der Körber-Stiftung.

<https://koerber-stiftung.de/projekte/deutscher-studienpreis/teilnehmen/>

### Hochschulwettbewerb Wissenschaftskommunikation

Beim Hochschulwettbewerb zum Wissenschaftsjahr 2023 sind Studierende, Promovierende und junge Forschende eingeladen, kreative und interaktive Kommunikationsideen rund um das Thema "Unser Universum" einzureichen. So sollen wissenschaftliche Themen und Methoden für Bürger\*innen zugänglich und erlebbar machen. Die 15 besten Vorschläge werden mit je 10.000 Euro zur Umsetzung der Ideen und mit Workshops und Schulungen zur Wissenschaftskommunikation sowie der Aufnahme in das Alumni-Netzwerk des Hochschulwettbewerbs belohnt. Die Bewerbungsphase endet am 30. November 2022.

[www.hochschulwettbewerb.net/2023](http://www.hochschulwettbewerb.net/2023)

### TUM IdeAward 2022

TUM and UnternehmerTUM cordially invite you to this year's award ceremony of the TUM IdeAward, supported by the Zeidler Research Foundation. Ten founding teams will present their exciting and innovative ideas and/or technologies to the audience. In the end, the three most promising start-up ideas from science, which are expected to have a great market potential, will be awarded. They can look forward to prize money totaling 37,500 euros. In addition to idea pitches, the stage program is accompanied by keynote speakers, start-up Q&A and the festive awards ceremony. In addition, there will be a networking session afterwards. The event takes place on November 24, 6 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. in the TUM Audimax (main campus).

[www.tum.de/ideaward](http://www.tum.de/ideaward)

## **Förderung des Wissenschaftlertauschs zwischen Bayern und Frankreich**

BayFrance unterstützt im Rahmen seiner Anschubfinanzierung die Entwicklung von Projekten in der Forschung und Lehre und den Auf- und Ausbau einer tragfähigen und dauerhaften Forschungszusammenarbeit zwischen bayerischen und französischen Hochschulen und Forschungseinrichtungen. Diese Förderung beinhaltet Mobilitätsbeihilfen für Hochschullehrer\*innen, Post-Docs und Doktorand\*innen. Bis zum 15. November 2022 haben Sie die Chance, sich mit Ihrem Projekt für die BayFrance-Förderung zu bewerben.

[www.bayern-france.org/de/foerderung/unsere-foerderprogramme/kooperation-in-lehre-und-forschung/ausschreibung/](http://www.bayern-france.org/de/foerderung/unsere-foerderprogramme/kooperation-in-lehre-und-forschung/ausschreibung/)

## **Chemovator Startup Bootcamp by TUM Venture Labs and BASF**

Do you want learn more about entrepreneurial thinking in big companies while working on a cutting edge idea? Then join the Chemovator Startup Bootcamp, a researcher workshop organized by the TUM Venture Labs together with BASF. In the two-day workshop you will become an entrepreneur yourself, learn about innovative startup methods, how to talk to potential customers, how to gather data and how to set up a landing page – and of course, how to present your business idea in an inspiring pitch. The course is facilitated by leading startup experts and takes place on November 24 and 25 on the TUM main campus.

[www.chemovator.com/dates/chemovator-startup-bootcamp-november-2022/](http://www.chemovator.com/dates/chemovator-startup-bootcamp-november-2022/)

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

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