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Dear Doctoral Candidates,

We trust this message finds you well and in high spirits embracing the pre-festive season in Munich! ☺ In today's newsletter, we've curated a list of great events and opportunities for you – ranging from Christmas market visits to a summer school experience.

Have you ever considered a [UAS professorship as a career option](#) for you? Gain valuable insights from Prof. Dr. Eva Anderl from the Hochschule München (HM) and delve into the intriguing job profile during our [info event on 25 January](#).

If you are in the mood for a more leisurely event, we've got you covered! This Saturday, we're taking you to the [Christmas Market on the Island of Frauenchiemsee](#). Meet up with your peers and immerse yourself in a festive atmosphere at Germany's only island Christmas market.

In the [TUM Graduate Council section](#), we shine a spotlight on doctoral supervision. Discover more about the [TUM Supervisory Award](#) and this year's recipient, Prof. Dr. Jens Förderer, in our [latest feature](#). If you're eager to contribute and enhance supervision quality at TUM, check out the current [call for members](#) of the Supervision Working Group.

In the [international section](#), we are thrilled to announce that applications for the [Global Fellows Program 2024](#) are now open! Partnering with Imperial College London and NTU Singapore, this program, now in its 4th year, will be hosted in London in July. Join us to boost your transferable skills and expand your international network.

International researchers, don't miss our [Christmas get-together](#) with the Welcome Services of TUM Global & Alumni on 16 December.

PS: Please note, our management office will be closed from 24 December to 1 January. See you next year!

TUM-GS News

Info event: Career path to a professorship at a University of Applied Sciences

At the info event of the TUM Graduate School on 25 January 2024, 5 p.m., at TUM Campus Garching, everything will revolve around an exciting career option that many doctoral candidates may not have considered yet: A professorship at a University of Applied Sciences (UAS). Learn more about the job profile and receive practical information and advice for the application process. Among other things, the info event will cover differences between the university system and the changing UAS landscape, as well as the requirements profile of a professorship at an UAS.



Impression from one of our previous info events.
(Photo: TUM-GS)

Prof. Dr. Eva Anderl from the Hochschule München (HM) will share with us her personal path to a UAS professorship and her experience in this multi-faceted profession. After the presentations, there will be ample opportunity for questions and networking. Please mind that the event will be held in German. [Register via DocGS](#) or (for non-doctoral candidates) [via email](#). The info event is part of the "Attract2HM" project, which specifically promotes the qualification of doctoral candidates who aspire to a UAS professorship. For more information on the project, [please visit our website](#).

[Register now](#)

Join our festive day-trip to the Christmas Market on Fraueninsel!

For those who started their academic journey at TUM recently, our [Welcome@TUM-GS program](#) is a great opportunity to explore fascinating places in Munich and its beautiful surroundings. This Saturday, we're taking you to the Christmas Market on the Fraueninsel, an island located on the Chiemsee! Immerse yourself in a festive atmosphere, enjoy mulled wine and culinary delight, and explore unique arts and crafts at Germany's only island Christmas Market! To participate, write us an [email](#). We will leave Munich by train at 9:30 a.m. on 9 December via train. Learn more on [our website](#) save one of the last spots!



View on the Chiemsee during winter.
(Photo: Unsplash/ Icon: Pixabay)

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Graduate Council

Spotlight on Doctoral Supervision: The TUM Supervisory Award 2023

Every year the [TUM Graduate Council](#) honors the outstanding supervision of doctoral candidates at TUM with the [TUM Supervisory Award](#). Launched in 2018, the award emphasizes the importance of trustful and respectful supervision for early career researchers. The price is endowed with 5,000 euros and benefits the doctoral candidates of the winning professorship. This year, the title of the best supervisor goes to Prof. Dr. Jens Förderer. His intensive supervision style and support of long-term career planning convinced the Graduate Council.

We congratulate Prof. Dr. Jens Förderer on this well-deserved recognition! Curious about what good supervision can look like in practice and the key factors considered for the Supervisory Award? Dive into [our feature on doctoral supervision](#), with insights from Jens Förderer and Tobias Weiß, member of this year's Supervisory Award working group of the Graduate Council.



Prof. Dr. Förderer receiving the TUM Supervisory Award (r.) with Prof. Thomas Hofmann (l.)
(Photo: Andreas Heddergott/TUM)

[Learn more](#)

Call for Members to join or Working Group Supervision

Do you want to become active yourself and help improve the quality of supervision at TUM? The TUM Supervisory Award will enter the next round in 2024 and for this the TUM Graduate Council needs your support! Contact the working group [via email](#) to learn more about the process. As part of a working group at the Graduate Council, you will also have the option of joining the TUM Graduate Council as an associate member and the Speakers would be happy to award you with a certificate for your work.

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Internationalization

Apply now for the Global Fellows Program 2024 at Imperial College London!

From 8-12 July 2024, the TUM-GS will hold the 4th edition of the Global Fellows Programm, partnering with Imperial College London and Nanyang Technological University Singapore. The upcoming trilateral Program, hosted by the Imperial College London in London, will empower approximately 40 doctoral researchers from the three partner universities to enhance their professional, research and collaborative competencies. With this years program theme “Data-driven innovations for zero pollution mobility”, researchers are invited to develop creative innovations to address global challenges.



Global Fellows Program 2023 at NTU Singapore
(Photo: TUM-GS)

The 5-day program is a great opportunity to expand your international and interdisciplinary network, enhance your transferable skills and gain fantastic new insights. We look forward to applications from doctoral candidates of all TUM Schools for one of the 13 fully funded spots. Interested in joining? Check out impressions from our latest edition in Singapore on our [website](#) including a [video sharing our Global Fellows' inspiring stories](#). Seize your opportunity and apply until 14 January 2024!

Apply now

Join the Welcome Services Christmas get-together on 16 December

Christmas in Germany is a particular time of celebration, reflection, and sociability. We decorate our houses, bake Christmas cookies, and get together with our families to spend a peaceful time waiting for Santa Claus or the Christkindl. To share this special time of the year and to help you familiarize yourself with some of the German Christmas traditions, we cordially invite all international researchers to our Welcome Services get-together by TUM Global & Alumni and TUM-GS at the [Münchner Christkindlmarkt](#).



Impression from the Christmas Market at Marienplatz
(Photo: München Tourismus, Fritz Witzig)

We will meet on 16 December, 5 p.m. Of course, you are welcome to bring along your family and friends. Please note that food and beverages are not included. You can register until 11 December.

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New EIT Urban Mobility DTN Call for Doctoral Candidates

The [EIT Urban Mobility](#), supported by the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT), acts to accelerate positive change on mobility to make urban spaces more liveable by engaging cities and citizens, putting new mobility solutions into practice, and reclaiming public space for public use. The [Doctoral Training Network](#) (DTN) offers doctoral candidates the unique opportunity to build a network throughout Europe while strengthening technical expertise and fostering entrepreneurial and innovative skills. The two-year doctoral program includes a 4-6 month international placement. Doctoral candidates from TUM and other EIT Urban Mobility partner universities can apply until December 10, 2023. TUM doctoral candidates become [IGSSE](#) members after being accepted to the DTN.

Please find more information [here](#) and contact [Corinna Niederreiter](#) (DTN Program Manager at IGSSE) or [Dr.-Ing. Benjamin Büttner](#) (Head of DTN, Chair of Urban Structure and Transport Planning) for more information.

<https://www.eiturbanmobility.eu/academy/doctoral-training-network/>

Information session about pensions in Europe on 12 December

The Welcome Service of the University of Augsburg is organizing an online information session together with the [VBL](#) (Versorgungsanstalt des Bundes und der Länder) regarding pension provisions in Europe. The session will focus on the German pension landscape and look at your rights as internationally mobile researchers regarding affiliation, pension payment, benefits, and other points of interests. The information session will take place online on 12 December, 5-7 p.m. You can register online until December 8. The Zoom link will be sent to you by e-mail a few days before the information session. The event will be hosted in English.

<https://www.uni-augsburg.de/en/forschung/forschende-aus-dem-ausland/events-welcome-service/registration/>

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

Best regards from the TUM-GS Management Office Team,



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