Dear Doctoral Candidates,

We hope you had a great start into the new year! As you may have recognized, our monthly newsletter has a new design and structure and will always be sent at the beginning of each month. From now on, we will highlight our projects at TUM-GS, news from the Graduate Council as well as international programs, events and funding options from both the TUM-GS and TUM. Additionally, we will compile interesting events and calls for you in the section TUM & Co.

We are happy to share with you two new LinkedIn interviews from our series “Looking Behind the Doctorate”. Mónica Basilio Hazas, former Graduate Council (GC) vice-speaker and Sebastian Straßer who is our current GC speaker, shared their personal experiences during the doctorate and talked about their career path and future plans. Follow us on LinkedIn and stay tuned for more interesting insights!

In our international section, this time we focus on funding and mobility options within the EuroTech Universities Alliance, a strategic partnership of six leading technical universities in Europe. Learn more about your opportunities within the EuroTech Joint Supervision Program or the current calls for a Postdoc Fellowship and Doctoral Summer/Winter Schools.

Updated information on how the Coronavirus is affecting the services and offers of the TUM-GS, as well as on the restructuring of TUM in schools and the new regulations for doctoral candidates can be found in our TUM-GS wiki. You can get access to the wiki with your (guest) TUM-ID.

We wish you all a pleasant day!

Stay safe and healthy!

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**TUM-GS News**

„Looking Behind the Doctorate“ – Mónica Basilio Hazas

In our new interview series, our doctoral candidates and alumni give personal insights on their learnings, challenges and experiences.

We are happy to share with you our interview with Mónica Basilio Hazas. In her research in the area of environmental engineering, she focuses on groundwater modeling. Among other topics, we talked about her love for nature and field research and her international profile.
So far, she studied and worked in Mexico, the U.S., France, Denmark and Germany. Mónica encourages every doctoral candidate to broaden their horizon. “The key to understanding different people is getting to know their cultures.” Check out our interview for more interesting insights and stay tuned.

Register now for our Transferable Skills Training!

Check out our current course program and participate in interesting courses that will support your doctorate, your personal development as well as your career. You can now see at a glance which courses are currently open for registration, for instance “Communication Toolbox for doctoral candidates”, “Veränderung kompetent gestalten” or “Disputationstraining”. Visit our website to see our full program or to receive further information on the course registration as well as our payment and cancellation policy. For all face-to-face courses, the 2G regulations must be followed. In order to respond to the changing situation, we reserve the right to change face-to-face offers into online courses on short notice. Changes will be announced as early as possible.

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 Baraa via e-mail.

Get to know Sebastian, first speaker of the Graduate Council

You want to get to know the faces behind the Graduate Council? We are excited to share our interview with Sebastian Straßer, first speaker of the Graduate Council. In his dissertation, he focuses on the simulation of electromagnetic fields. We talked about his research, his voluntary work for the Graduate Council and his personal career decisions. After an apprenticeship as an electrician, Sebastian knew that he wanted to take a deeper look into theory. Now probably in his final year of the doctorate, he encourages young researchers to follow their passion and try new things: “Make decisions even if you do not know the outcome. Do not be limited by the fear to fail, you should just feel free to try.”
Internationalization

Apply now for a EuroTech Postdoc Fellowship!

You now have the chance to be part of the EuroTech Postdoc Programme. The second call is open for application until February 24, 2022. The initiative offers 35 open-topic postdoc fellowships.

The fellows will have access to the research expertise and infrastructures across the EuroTech Universities and benefit from various entrepreneurship and mobility opportunities in the academic and non-academic sector. You will find more information on the EuroTech website.

Take part in the EuroTech Joint Supervision Program!

You want to gain international research experience during your doctorate? We are happy to announce that the EuroTech Joint Supervision Program has been renewed for another program period of 5 years! Within the Joint Supervision framework, you will be supervised by your primary supervisor at TUM but also benefit from the expertise of a co-supervisor from one of our EuroTech partner universities. You can also apply for additional mobility funding during the research stay of six months at the research group/institute of your co-supervisor. There are no application deadlines. Doctoral candidates from all TUM research areas are welcome to apply. Visit our website and learn more about the EuroTech Joint Supervision Program.

Call for application for Joint Doctoral Summer/Winter Schools

Are you interested in organizing your own summer/winter school for your fellow doctoral candidates and get first-hand organization skills for international and interdisciplinary scientific workshops? The EuroTech Alliance partners are funding selected 2-7 day scientific workshops organized from doctoral candidates from EuroTech partner universities for their peers. TUM-GS will support summer/winter schools hosted at TUM with up to 10.000 Euros to support the costs on site, including catering, local transport, marketing/course material as well as travel and accommodation expenses of speakers. Application is now open until June 30th, 2022. Please visit our website to find more information on Doctoral Summer/Winter Schools and application information.

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January 26th, 2022, 1:30 – 5:30 p.m.
https://www.future-industry.org/events/2nd-german-french-industry-of-the-future-workshop/
Ausschreibung UMSICHT-Wissenschaftspreis 2022
Bewerbung sind bis zum 28. Februar 2022 möglich.

KlarText-Preis für Wissenschaftskommunikation 2022
https://klartext-preis.de/

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