

**Sehr geehrte\*r Max Mustermann,**

in unserem regelmäßigen BayCEER Newsletter informieren wir Sie über eine Auswahl an spannenden Neuigkeiten aus der BayCEER Community, der Universität Bayreuth und Umweltthemen aus der Stadt Bayreuth und der Region. Leiten Sie den neuen Newsletter gerne an Ihre Mitarbeiter\*innen, Studierenden und alle anderen Interessierten weiter ([Anmelde-Link](#)). Gerne können auch Sie Ihre Neuigkeiten in unserem BayCEER Newsletter bewerben. Kontaktieren sie uns dazu bitte unter [newsletter.bayceer@uni-bayreuth.de](mailto:newsletter.bayceer@uni-bayreuth.de)!

Viel Spaß beim Lesen wünscht Ihnen das BayCEER Newsletter Team!

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**Dear Max Mustermann,**

In our regular BayCEER newsletter, we inform you about a selection of interesting news in the BayCEER community, the University of Bayreuth and the city and region of Bayreuth. Please forward this newsletter to the members of your working group, students and others who might be interested ([sign-up link](#)).

You are very welcome to also share your own news via our BayCEER newsletter, too. Please contact us at [newsletter.bayceer@uni-bayreuth.de](mailto:newsletter.bayceer@uni-bayreuth.de)!

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## News

**Das Zusatzstudium Nachhaltigkeit geht in die nächste Runde**

Im kommenden Semester wird im Zusatzstudium Nachhaltigkeit zum ersten Mal das Abschlussmodul *Nachhaltigkeitsprojekt* stattfinden.

Hierbei sollen die gelernten Aspekte der Lehrveranstaltungen des Zusatzstudiums anhand eines fiktiven Projekts, welches jedoch praktisch umsetzbar ist, angewendet werden. Ziel dieser Projekte ist es, die Brücke zwischen theoretischem Wissen und praktischer Anwendung mit gesellschaftlicher Relevanz zu schlagen, aktuelle Probleme zu erkennen und hier neue Lösungsansätze zu finden. Die Projekte werden ganz nach dem Geist des Zusatzstudiums von möglichst interdisziplinären Gruppen aus Studierenden verschiedener Studienschwerpunkte über den Lauf des Semesters ausgearbeitet. Erfolgreich geplante Projekte können die Basis von Abschlussarbeiten im Hauptstudium, eigenen Startups oder Kooperationen mit Firmen und Institutionen bilden und schaffen somit nicht nur einen intellektuellen, sondern auch karrierebildenden Mehrwert für die Studierenden.



Das Zusatzstudium  
Nachhaltigkeit

Prof. Dr. Britta Planer-Friedrich takes office as Vice President for Research & Junior Scholars in October.

"The opportunity to conduct research is a privilege and at the same time a great responsibility towards society," says Prof. Dr. Planer-Friedrich. "As Vice-President for Research & Junior Scholars, it is important to me to accompany the growth of our university in excellence over the coming years. And this not only in the sense of often purely quantitative evaluation criteria, but especially in the development of a place of individual support, high-profile research in our diverse interdisciplinary focal points, sustainable use of funding, as well as attractive qualification offerings and good working conditions. Above all, however, the preservation of space in which creative ideas can flourish."

Prof. Dr. Britta Planer-Friedrich as Vice President for Research & Junior Scholars



## New BayCEER members

We are happy to introduce two new members of the BayCEER community:

**Dr. Magdalena Mair** is the leader of the new Junior Research Group *Statistical Ecotoxicology* and is a member since May 2021.



**Prof. Dr. Lisa Hülsmann** is Junior Professor for Ecosystem Analysis & Simulation and is a member since October 2021.



## Upcoming Events

### Dialogforum Wasserkontroversen



## Quellen zwischen Schutz und Nutzung

Wasser kontroversen II - Dienstag, 19.10.2021,

Online - mit Exkursionsangeboten, [zur Anmeldung](#)

Als Schnittstelle zwischen Untergrund und Oberfläche kommt Quellen seit jeher besondere Bedeutung zu - für die Gewinnung von Trinkwasser, als Ursprung von Flusssystemen, Spiegel des Grundwassers sowie als sehr besondere Ökosysteme.

Wie wirkt sich der Klimawandel auf das Leben in den Quellbiotopen aus, wie auf die Schüttung und Wasserqualität? Wie würde man mit intermittierenden Quellschüttungen umgehen - im Naturschutz, und in der Wasserwirtschaft?

Wie gestaltet sich bei sinkenden Grundwasserständen die Trinkwasserversorgung - zum einen aus lokalen Quellen, zum anderen aus zentral aufbereitetem Talsperrenwasser? Sind Quellen in Bayern ausreichend geschützt vor Beeinträchtigung? Inwieweit lässt sich eine Quelle „renaturieren“? Und sind Quellen eigentlich selbst CO<sub>2</sub>-Quellen?

[Dialogforum Wasserkontroversen](#)

## Einladung Ehrendoktorwürde Dirk Steffens



## FEIERSTUNDE ZUR VERLEIHUNG DER EHRENDOKTORWÜRDE AN DIRK STEFFENS

21.10.2021, 17:00 Uhr Audimax

Bereits 2020 hat die Fakultät Biologie, Chemie und Geowissenschaften dem Wissenschaftsjournalisten Dirk Steffens, unter anderem bekannt aus Terra X (ZDF), die Ehrendoktorwürde verliehen. Die Feierstunde findet coronabedingt erst jetzt, am 21. Oktober, statt. Interessierte können nach Anmeldung teilnehmen

[Anmeldung](#)

## BayCEER Kolloquium

The lecture programme of the BayCEER Colloquium this winter semester 21/22 is very diverse and most of the talks will take place on campus in lecture hall H8. This will open the possibility for more face-to-face interactions, participation and discussions. There will be no live-stream but coffee, cold drinks and snacks served opposite H8 ("lila Zone"). The Colloquium series starts this Thursday (21 October), 12.15 p.m. with the talk "Mycoheterotrophy: an uncharted carbon flux in the plant world" by Vincent Merckx.

BayCEER Kolloquium Winter semester  
2021/22

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## Rückblick

### 13th BayCEER Workshop 2021: and the winners are...

#### Best Poster Awards:

1st:

*Polystyrene dispersions as model for polystyrene microplastic particles*

**Yuanhu Zhang**, Tasmai Paul, Valérie Jérôme, Ruth Freitag, Andreas Greiner

2nd:

*Isopycnic ultracentrifugation - A promising approach to extract and resolve microplastics from environmental samples*

**Aileen Jakobs**, Elif Gürkal, Anja Ramsperger, Martin Löder, Tillmann Lüders

3rd (2 winners):

*A landscape-scale model of soil organic carbon mineralization in space, depth, and time*

**Bettina Haas**, Maiken Baumberger, Hanna Meyer, Nele Meyer

*The influence of iron (oxyhydr)oxides on the surface properties of polystyrene microplastics in aquatic environments*

**Johanna Schmidtmann**, Stefan Peiffer

#### Best Talk Awards:

1st:

*Mobility of toxic antimony during aeration of Fe(II)-rich waters*

**Laura Wegner**, Edward D. Burton, Catherine McCammon, Andreas C. Scheinost, Stefan Peiffer, Britta Planer-Friedrich, Kerstin Hockmann

2nd:

*Sibling cooperation in a genus with interspecific variation in offspring dependence*

**Madlen Prang**, Lena Zywicki, Maximilian Körner, Sandra Steiger

3rd:

*Variability of Airborne Ultrafine Particles around Munich Airport: Preliminary Results from Summer 2021*

**Julius Seidler**, Anke Nölscher, Markus Friedrich

## Maus Türöffner Tag



Nationwide "Mouse Door Opener Day" was celebrated on October 3rd - also in Bayreuth.

The [Collaborative Research Centre](#)

[Microplastics](#) and the [Ecological Botanical](#)

Garden of the University of Bayreuth invited preschool and primary school children to look behind the doors of the laboratories. There they discovered what microplastics are and what happens to them in the environment. They felt for themselves what properties soils have and learned about animals that live in soils and waters. Participation was a complete success! 160 children in 3 days.

Looking forward to open more doors for the next door opening day next year! (1st Sunday in October 2022)

[„Maus Türöffner Tag“](#)

### Between forest and vault: "Future Forest Forum" starts successfully



The forest is under massive pressure! Damage caused by heat and drought and the question of how the forest can continue to fulfill its many functions for owners and the general public are the subject of intense and controversial discussions in forestry, research and society.

The Future Forest forum aims to flexibly supplement existing offers in line with requirements - a good start has now been made. The Forum started at the end of September with the theme "Drought and heavy rain - the forest as a buffer".

The second event that happened in the middle of October, focused on the topic of "Tree species for the forest of tomorrow".

The forum was organized by [Gutshof Mengersdorf](#) and cooperation partners were [BayCEER](#) and the [Institute for Forests and Forestry \(LWF\)](#).

[Future forest forum](#)

### News from the study programmes

#### GCE excursion to Fichtelgebirge



Last Friday, 15 October, the new students from the [MSc. Global Change Ecology](#) had the experience of participating among with students from last years cohorts 2020 and 2019 in the excursion to the Fichtelgebirge mountains and Fränkische Schweiz lead by [Prof. Dr. Carl Beierkuhnlein](#).

This was a very interesting activity for everyone to get to know each other and specially for the last year's cohort, that had already experienced 3 semesters online.

Read all about it in detail in this GCE blog post that will be published this week.

[GCE Blog](#)

## Start of the winter semester 2021/22

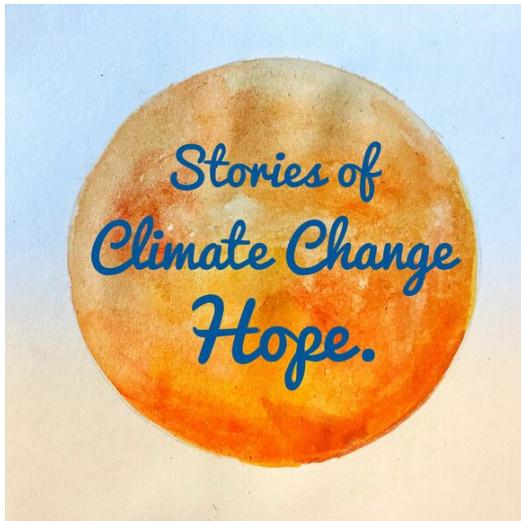


Here we go again! We are starting the 2021/22 winter semester and are looking forward to the now renewed possibility of personal contact and reunion on campus at the University of Bayreuth. After three coronavirus semesters of mainly online teaching and greatly reduced personal contact on campus, classroom lectures will become the norm again in the 2021/22 winter semester. This means that not just new students will begin discovering the campus in October, but also that students beginning their second, third, and fourth semesters will have their first "real" university experience. To ensure a good start to university life for everyone, the University of Bayreuth has put together a number of introductory offers to help the new students to settle in.

[WelcomeBack@UBT](#)

## Students' projects

[Podcast „Stories of Climate Change Hope“](#)



Steffen Schwardmann, student from Msc. Global Change Ecology, cohort of 2019 is the author of this series of podcasts.

As a communicator, he calls us to get more engaged in climate action and stay positive!

In the episodes you can listen to stories by people who are engaged or want to get engaged. They tell us how they feel about what they do and also from what background they come.

Steffen is always happy to have new listeners, if you want to make suggestions for new topics or guests you can reach out to him by sending an email to: [stories.climatehope@gmail.com](mailto:stories.climatehope@gmail.com).

In the latest episode he is joined by Steven Myburgh, who has led a divestment campaign when he was still an undergraduate student at Stellenbosch University in South Africa. In this episode he tells us more about what the campaign entailed and what it achieved. Steven and Steffen also share what impact and agency mean for them as activists.

Podcast „Stories of Climate Change  
Hope“

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