



Successful graduates: Farewell ceremony for graduates of the teaching degree programs on July 20 (Photo: Christian Klenk)

*We congratulate all KU graduates
and wish all students and employees relaxing holidays!*

KU anniversary and Bavarian garden show: Get involved!

Two large events that will take place next year will give the KU the opportunity to present its activities in research and teaching to the wider public. The University Management invites all KU members to get involved and share their ideas and contributions.

In 2020, the KU will celebrate its 40th anniversary. The Eichstätt college (*Gesamthochschule*) that has been existing since 1972 was granted university status on April 1, 1980. The preparations for the

University's birthday are under way and first event formats and dates have already been agreed on: The KU will hold a big anniversary summer festival and an alumni day in July and the traditional Dies Academicus on November 25, 2020.

All faculties, degree programs, central facilities and research institutes, committees and student initiatives are invited to get involved. Feel free to submit own ideas or contribute own plans for events – provided that their theme is

connected to the anniversary. A steering group is responsible for designing the program for the anniversary year. The Department of Communication and Marketing has been assigned with the task of coordinating and organizing the event. If you would like to share your ideas or get involved, please contact the organization team using the e-mail address 40jahre@ku.de. We are particularly interested in famous alumni from different subject areas.

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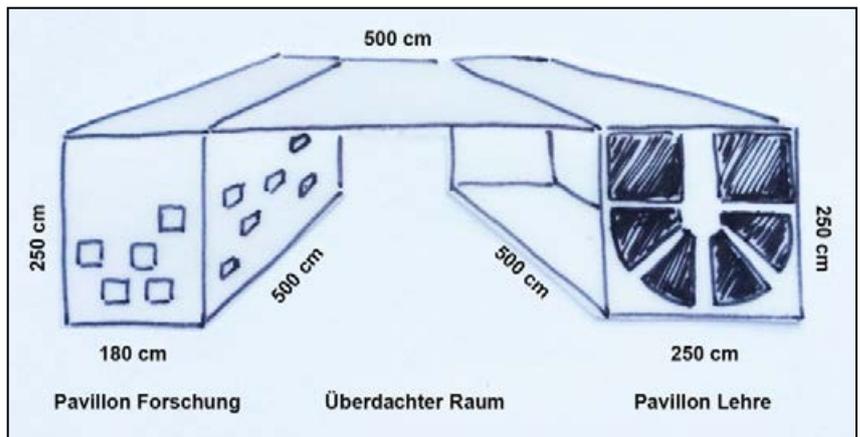
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From April 24 to October 4, 2020, the City of Ingolstadt will host the Bavarian garden show. The University Management has decided that the KU will participate in the program with an own pavilion on the exhibition grounds near the Westpark shopping center. The pavilion was designed by Petia Knebel, lecturer at the Professorship for Art Education. The concept (see drawing) suggests two cuboids of approx. 30 cubic meters each which will represent the areas of research and teaching. They will be connected by a roof beneath which there will be ample space for events and which will protect visitors from sun and rain.

The organization team of the state garden show 2020 has decided on three main thematic fields: 'Inspired by nature', 'sustainability' and 'lasting values'. It is envisaged



that different KU subject areas and facilities with a connection to one of these themes exhibit in the research pavilion that will contain a number of small showcases in which individual projects can be introduced.

A detailed call for participation will be sent to the relevant faculties and facilities in due time. However, if you have any ideas that you

would like to share immediately, please feel free to send them to claudia.reng@ku.de. The detailed program will be announced at a later stage. Many formats for participation are conceivable here: (short) academic contributions, musical and artistic workshops, demonstrations and shows, offers for children or courses outside in nature.

Exchange on “diversity of research cultures” at the KU

The Vice President for Research Prof. Dr. Jens Hogleve and the Research Service Center invite all KU members to a second “Research Night” on Tuesday, November 5 starting at 6 p.m. Under the motto “diversity of research cultures – profile development at the intersection between university strategy and individual freedom of research”, KU scientists will exchange ideas in a panel discussion.

They will approach the question of how science can successfully prioritize topics and shape its research profile in view of fundamental changes to the framework conditions in the research landscape at universities in Germany and Europe. Furthermore, they will discuss how a culture of

promotion of individual excellence can be maintained. In this context, participants will critically examine the starting and framework conditions and existing incentives for research at the KU and present proposals for further development of a supporting environment and support systems for research. The aim of the exchange is to keep the KU's research practice on a competitive level both nationally and internationally.

Dr. Wilhelm Krull, Secretary General of the Volkswagen Foundation, will be attending the event as keynote speaker. Thanks to his long-standing experience, amongst others as DAAD lecturer at the University of Oxford, in leading positions in the science council and the general administration at the

Max Planck Society, he is familiar with the national and international science system and current challenges in the field.

His keynote speech on creativity, leadership and responsibility in research and the opportunities and risks of university actions in the 2020s will offer valuable insights into and prospects on future developments in scientific and support systems and the implications for existing research cultures.

The University Management warmly invites all KU researchers to participate in the event, to engage in discussions and share their ideas to contribute to a fruitful dialog. A formal invitation with details on the program will be sent at the beginning of the winter semester.



Photo: Christian Klenk

Award winners and representatives of the sponsors at the 2018 Dies Academicus

Call for proposals for the 2019 University prizes

As per tradition, the university prizes will be awarded again on the Dies Academicus, the KU's annual festive day. On December 3, 2019, the prizes will be awarded for outstanding academic achievements, final theses and innovative teaching projects. Our University Management calls for nomination of suitable candidates for the prizes. Following the nomination procedure, several juries will examine all submitted proposals and take a decision at the beginning of the winter semester.

KU Professors may submit proposals for the following prizes:

- **Prize for the best habilitation**
- **Prize for the best doctoral degree**
- **Prize for the best Master's thesis**

The prizes are sponsored by the Eichstätt University Association and regional banks and include amounts from €1,000 to 2,000.

Another prize is offered by the Maximilian-Bickhoff-Foundation:

- **Maximilian-Bickhoff-Foundation Prize** for outstanding study achievements. The prize is endowed with €1,500. It honors achievements in the field of teaching degree programs and Master's and

Magister degree programs. Prize-worthy achievements can be proven by presentation of the degree certificate, final written examinations or final theses.

This year again, the KU will award a prize in the name of the German Academic Exchange Service:

- **DAAD-Prize** for outstanding achievements for international students. The prize is endowed with €1,000. Professors are invited to submit proposals.

For the following other prizes, all members of the KU, including students, may submit proposals:

- **Sustainability prize** for innovative and practice-oriented final theses (Bachelor and Master) and projects in the field of sustainability. This prize is sponsored by the foundation of the Gutmann brewery and amounts to €1,000.
- **Transfer prize:** In order to honor transfer activities at the KU, examples of good practice receive a prize which is funded by the "innovative university" program. There are three categories: Social engagement, science communication and scientific management. Each category receives €1,000. All

members of the University may be nominated for the prize.

- **Prize for good teaching** for already existing formats which could serve as best-practice-examples in future. It is awarded in the categories of 'innovation' and 'KU profile'. All KU members who carry out a teaching profession at the KU or who are responsible for the teaching practice are eligible for this prize.

All nominations can be submitted to the University Management by September 30, 2019, to praesidentin@ku.de. Please

submit your proposals for the Bickhoff-Foundation prize to bickhoff-stiftung@ku.de. When submitting your nominations, please make sure to state for which prize you nominate your candidate, as you cannot submit an application for more than one prize. Please enclose a résumé in table form, a convincing argumentation detailing and assessing the prize-worthy achievement (please state grade of work) as well as a summary of the work and/or teaching project with your proposal.

More information on the prizes and former award winners is available at www.ku.de/unsere-ku/preise

KU hosts first Young Researchers Day in October

For the first time ever, the KU Research Service Center and the Graduate Academy will host a Young Researchers Day in October this year.

All doctoral candidates and post-docs are invited to attend the information day for early-career researchers at the KU on October 9, 2019. Starting at 9:30 a.m., different KU facilities will inform participants on their offer and supporting measures for the young

researchers' career paths. The Young Researchers Day also invites attendees to engage in networking activities with their fellows. In the evening of October 9, there will be a film contest titled "90 seconds" for which young researchers at the KU can submit their short film contributions until October 4. 'Live action' film, animated film or silent movie – all formats are welcome. The task is to prepare a 90-second video clip in which young

researchers present the topic of their doctoral thesis, postdoctoral thesis or any other short research project to a broad audience. The audience will then decide whether the funniest, most dramatic or most imaginative film wins the contest.

More information on the Young Researchers Day and the film contest is available at www.ku.de/en/research/veranstaltungen/yrd/

Elections for 2019 DFG review board

Elections for representatives to the review boards at the German Research Foundation (DFG) are held from October 21 to November 18, 2019. Researchers at the KU who are entitled to vote are asked to cast their vote for representatives of the different subject areas. The review boards at the DFG evaluate funding applications for different research projects. They ensure that uniform standards are adhered to during the review process. Furthermore, they give advice regarding the further development and design of DFG funding programs. This means that these review boards are an important pillar in the system of academic self-government when it comes to allocation of funds by the DFG.

The members of the review boards are elected by researchers for a four-year term. Depending on the specialization in their academic work, they will be responsible

for one particular subject area. A group of subject areas that are scientifically linked form one review board.

In September 2019, the election documents of the DFG will be issued to KU researchers. All KU researchers who hold a doctoral degree and carry out research are entitled to vote. KU research support staff with a doctoral degree or employees who are solely engaged in teaching and hold a doctoral degree are not entitled to vote.

The KU has proposed two candidates as representatives for the review boards: **Prof. Dr. Sabine Ullmann** (Early Modern History, left photo) and Prof. **Dr. Kathrin Schlemmer** (Musicology).

The KU contact persons for the elections for DFG review boards are Michael Klingshirn (Department I/4) and Simone Rieger (ZFF). If you have any questions regarding the elections, please e-mail dfg-fachkollegienwahl-2019@ku.de



Poster presentation on sustainability

Professors, research associates and students at the KU can get involved in the future forum with a presentation on their research focus. The event organized by the "Mensch in Bewegung" project will take place on November 9 and focuses on the topic of sustainable development.

The organization team has invited a prominent speaker for the opening statement and has planned several workshops, discussion rounds, experimental planning games and formats involving the citizens of Eichstätt. The event is announced in regional media and organizers hope to attract many stakeholders, NGOs and the interested public as well as municipalities and representatives from the industry.

All KU researchers are invited to present their research projects in the context of a poster presentation session. If you would like to contribute, please e-mail transfer@ku.de by August 19, 2019. If you require assistants in designing your posters, Bernhard Leitner is happy to help. The project team at "Mensch in Bewegung" is looking forward to your participation.

Support for open access publications

The KU wants to support open access to academic literature and has introduced a new funding pool for open access publications.

As a rule, authors pay a publication fee when publishing in pure open access journals (Gold Open Access). In order to enable KU researchers to publish in relevant open access journals of their choice, the KU will offer them support in form of a KU publication fund in addition to the funding provided by the DFG (more information available at www.ku.de/bibliothek/elektronisches-publizieren) which will expire at the end of 2019. In close coordination with the University Management, the University Library is planning to open an initial trial run phase for three years (2019-2021), which will be funded with € 20,000 annually.

In analogy to DFG funding conditions, every publication will be supported with up to € 2,000. Costs exceeding this amount have to be borne by the applicant. All KU members who are planning a publication as “submitting author”

or “corresponding author” are asked to contact the University Library

Exception: Wiley-DEAL

The KU participates in the nationwide DEAL agreement concluded with the Wiley publishing house. Since July 1, all KU members have the possibility to publish their scientific articles in Wiley subscription journals and simultaneously as open access publication and thus publish on their homepage, an academic network or in KU.edoc immediately without having to pay for additional costs.

Furthermore, the publisher grants discounts of 20% on author's fees in pure open access journals. If authors state that they are KU members upon submission of their article, the fees will not be invoiced to the authors directly but will be sent to the KU as a collective invoice at the end of the year.

If you have any questions on open access publications, please contact the University Library by e-mail to open-access@ku.de.

Updating the University bibliography

Not least because of the KU's pending DFG membership application, it has become necessary to update entries in the University bibliography. By entering their current scientific publications in the KU's database KU.edoc, all KU researchers can also automatically update the list of publications on their website, provided that it was created by using KU.edoc (learn more at edoc.ku.de). For several years, the University Library has been taking over editorial and maintenance work on the publications database. Now, the editorial team grew by a new employee who will be the main contact person for journal articles.

Basic information on data protection

In order to provide KU employees with information on general issues regarding data protection, the KU has published a “basic data protection training” on its website (available in German): www.ku.de/unsere-ku/gremien/datenschutzbeauftragter

Bickhoff Foundation supports implementation of a colloquium

For the first time, the Maximilian Bickhoff University Foundation has announced its support for the implementation of a conference or workshop. Funding will be available on an annual basis from 2020 onwards and will support an event that “provides new impulses for research in the own discipline or in the framework of an interdisciplinary collaboration”. It is granted up to an amount of €5,000 which may be used for all

conference costs and, if applicable, for publications of the results of the conference. All lecturers at the KU who work in the teaching area as their main profession can submit their application for the first Maximilian Bickhoff colloquium. The corresponding application form can be obtained from the secretary's office at the Bickhoff Foundation. Applications must be submitted to the Maximilian Bickhoff University Foundation by September 30 at

the latest. Please submit your application by e-mail to bickhoffstiftung@ku.de. If you have any questions, please contact Prof. Dr. Bardo Gauly.

The non-profit foundation was established by Dr. Maximilian Bickhoff in 1983 with the aim of promoting research and teaching at the KU. In addition to the new funding program, the foundation also awards prizes and scholarships for dissertations on a regular basis.

Improving Eduroam connection

The KU Computer Center has improved the reliability of network connections for apple devices. Thanks to a new certificate, apple users can now log onto the KU's WiFi network using Eduroam more easily. Eduroam is a service which is available throughout Europe for all members of participating universities and offers WiFi access at the university locations via user ID logins. Up to now, users often had to reconfirm their ID and password every time they switched on their devices. A new configuration of the

service will now provide a stable long-term connection. In order to benefit from the update, you will have to delete the Eduroam configuration on your device first (system settings/profiles). Then, please download and install the current configuration file which is available at:

<https://cat.eduroam.org>

A step-by-step guide for installation is available at:

www.ku.de/rechenzentrum/it-services/netz/wlan/eduroam



Election for new Spokespersons Council

On the occasion of the university elections in June, KU students have elected their representatives for the University committees. Maximilian Kaiser (*Das Bündnis*) was elected to the University Council. The new voting student members of the Senate are Marian Langer (*Das Bündnis*) and Christoph Paschen (*RCDS*), new advising members are Maximilian Kaiser and Frederik Gosau (*Linke Liste*). The new women and equal opportunity officer is Anna Wendt (*RCDS*), her deputy will be Petra Parti (*Linke Liste*).

The tenure of the newly elected representatives will start on October 1st. There were also new elections for the student representatives in the faculty councils. All student members of the committees together form the

Student Representatives Council, who convened for their first meeting on July 8th. In this meeting, the Spokespersons Council was newly elected.

Maximilian Kaiser (in the middle) is the new chairperson of the Student Representatives Council. His deputy is Marian Langer (second from left). Other members to the spokespersons' committee are teaching degree student Miriam Gradl and political science students Christoph Paschen (left) and Paul Thieme.

If you would like to contact the speakers of the Student Representatives Council, please send an e-mail to konvent-sprecherrat@ku.de or drop by their office (sports building).

Symposium: Jewish Displaced Persons camp

A chapter of German post-war history about which little is known is now at the center of attention on the occasion of a symposium held at the KU from September 22 - 24, 2019. The conference focuses on Jewish Displaced Persons camps drawing on the example of the camp that existed in Eichstätt. It will include testimonials of contemporary witnesses who lived in the Eichstätt camp as children and who return to Eichstätt for the first time since then to speak at the conference. The symposium will present current contributions from the field of Displaced Persons research and historical sciences.

Tips & Dates

Deadline for submission of proposals for **University Prizes** on Sept. 30, 2019

Young Researchers Day on Oct. 9, 2019

Church service at the **start of the winter semester** on Oct. 14 at 9:00 a.m. at the Schutzengelkirche; subsequently: welcoming ceremony for new students at the Aula

'Research Night' on Nov. 5, 2019

Future forum on sustainable development: Nov. 9, 2019

Taster days for interested prospective students on Nov. 19 and 20, 2019

University Ball Nov. 21, 2019

Dies Academicus Dec. 03, 2019