



International Week 2024

INTERNATIONALISATION FOR SUSTAINABILITY

13 – 17 May 2024

Location: Various venues in the university town Mittweida

Dear Colleagues, Partners, and Friends,

We cordially invite you to join us for the 2024 Mittweida University of Applied Sciences International Week themed “INTERNATIONALISATION FOR SUSTAINABILITY”, which will be presented in collaboration with EURECA-PRO:

Key Objectives:

- Exploring the link between internationalisation and sustainability
- Fostering innovation in internationalisation
- Strengthening partnerships, and fostering new collaborations
- Engaging on specific aspects of internationalisation, including mobility with children and double degree programmes
- Unpacking the impact of European University Alliances on internationalisation
- Providing a platform to exchange ideas, share experiences and network professionally
- Connecting researchers, academics and administrators

Join us to explore the topic “INTERNATIONALISATION FOR SUSTAINABILITY” in innovative formats, which will include panel discussions followed by fishbowl sessions, world cafés and workshops.

You are invited to actively contribute to the programme, please share proposals for sessions by the 15th of March 2024 via email to intmw@hs-mittweida.de. During the engagement, there will be rich opportunities to network while taking part in manifold activities:

- World Café on innovation in internationalisation
- Interactive discovery of the university town Mittweida
- Anniversary celebration University Preparatory College
- Information sessions on funding opportunities for internationalisation
- Movie night
- CF Music Clash
- Day trip to the historic city of Leipzig

We plan to invite funding agencies to share information on relevant funding opportunities for internationalisation. Participants will be asked to finance their own travel, accommodation and expenses through the Erasmus programme. We will reserve several hotel rooms for participants at selected hotels. There are no participation fees for the International Week.

We look forward to welcoming you to Mittweida University of Applied Sciences!



Registration Form for International Week in Mittweida (until 30th of April)

All other inquiries about the event and proposals should be directed to intmw@hs-mittweida.de.



HSMW is proud to be part of EURECA-PRO, the European University Alliance on Responsible Consumption and Production co-funded by the European Union. Our nine partners joined forces to enable students and staff to study, teach and research in the field of responsible consumption and production with the long-term goal of a joined virtual and integrated European campus until 2040. EURECA-PRO's vision and ambition charts the way towards a more inclusive, borderless European Higher Education Area.



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The 2024 University of Applied Sciences Mittweida International Week, which will be presented in collaboration with EURECA-PRO will explore the theme 'Internationalisation for Sustainability'. In various interactive formats, which include a world café, fishbowl engagements and workshops, we will provide participants an opportunity to discover how international higher education collaboration can assist in achieving sustainable development goals. Besides, we will consider sustainable or green internationalisation, that is how the impact of internationalisation on our planet can be minimised by structuring the process to maximise outcomes while minimising the environmental impact. We will also celebrate the 15th anniversary of our university preparatory college.

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| Date | Content |
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| Monday, 13 May 2024 | |
| All day | Arrival |
| 14:00 – 16:00 | Harvesting a Sustainable Future: Agriculture and Green Solutions Symposium (hybrid) |
| 19:00 | Food Festival: HSMW Preparatory College Students from the HSMW Preparatory College organise a food festival which will introduce the cuisine of the home countries. |
| Tuesday, 14 May 2024 | |
| 8:30 – 9:15 | Registration and Coffee |
| 9:15 – 9:45 | Official Opening of the HSMW International Week |
| 9:45 – 10:00 | Break – Group Photo |
| 10:00 – 11:00 | Campus Discovery – Focus on Sustainability Facilitated by Global Business and Communication students coordinated by Prof Ramona Kusche and Kirstin Ziegner-Llewelin |
| 11:00 – 11:30 | Coffee Break |
| 11:30 – 13:00 | World Café: Innovation in Internationalisation At every table, colleagues from the HSMW will present innovations in the university's internationalisation process. |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | Lunch break & Networking |
| 14:00 – 15:15 | Information Sessions by Funding Agencies Funding agencies will present opportunities for research, mobility and project funding. |
| 15:15 – 15:30 | Coffee Break |
| 15:30 – 17:00 | Research Speed Dating and Select Research Presentations We will offer researchers and internationalisation administrators an opportunity to explore opportunities for interdisciplinary research collaboration. |
| 17:00 – 19:00 | Welcome Reception This will be an ideal opportunity to informally get together and network with other participants. |

| Wednesday, 15 May 2024 | |
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| 9:45 – 10:00 | Welcome Coffee |
| 10:00 – 10:45 | Welcome of Rochester Institute of Technology Study Abroad The Rector of Mittweida University of Applied Sciences and the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering will welcome the Study Abroad Programme from the Rochester Institute of Technology |
| 11:00 – 11:30 | Coffee Break and Networking |
| 11:30- 12:30 | Working through a European University Alliance towards RCP: Collaborator's Experiences Stakeholders in the EURECA-PRO university alliance will share their experience. |
| 12:30 – 13:30 | Lunch Break and Networking |
| 13:30 – 15:15 | Faculty Sessions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Internationalisation with Children This session, which will be hosted by our Faculty of Social Work, will explore how parents with children can benefit from internationalisation and international mobility. - Double Degree Programmes The Faculty of Industrial Engineering host a session which will unpack the implementation of double degree students. - Intercultural reflection enabled by Sheperd students During the International Week, a study abroad programme from the Sheperd University in the United States will visit the HSMW. Facilitated by Jill Deschner-Warner from the Media Faculty, the students will lead an intercultural reflection. |
| 15.15 – 15:30 | Coffee Break |
| 15:30 – 17:30 | City Tour Explore our historical university town Mittweida and learn about German traditions. This interactive city tour will be facilitated by Global Business and Communication Students coordinated by Prof Ramona Kusche and Kristin Ziegner-Llewelin |
| 19:00 – 20:30 | Movie Night: Der Mann, der nie im All war (The man who never went to space) Documentary about the local space expert Tasillo Römisch, who has assembled the world's largest space exhibition with over 100 000 exhibits in the basement of his house in Mittweida. The protagonist will be joining us after the screening of the movie to engage with the audience. |

| Thursday, 16 May 2024 | |
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| 9:45 – 10:00 | Welcome Coffee |
| 10:00 – 13:00 | <p>Workshop: Developing synergies between a university's bilateral partnerships, long-standing networks and its membership in a European University Alliance</p> <p>The HSMW is part of the European University for Responsible Consumption and Production EURECA-PRO. In this session, we will explore how synergies for sustainable internationalisation can be developed by connecting the long-standing partnerships and networks of the university with its evolving engagement in a European university alliance.</p> |
| 13:00 – 14:00 | Lunch Break and Networking |
| 14:00 – 15:30 | <p>Panel Discussion, followed by Fishbowl: Internationalisation and Sustainability</p> <p>Integrating environmental sustainability principles in the internationalisation process has become a high priority. In this panel discussion, we will explore how internationalisation can be structured sustainably while maximising its impact. We will invite the audience to join the discussion.</p> |
| 16:00 – 16:30 | <p>15 Years HSMW Preparatory College</p> <p>The HSMW Preparatory College enables the smooth transition of students from national school systems which do not offer high school certificates recognised as university entry qualifications in Germany to HSMW degree programmes. In the ceremony, we will celebrate 15 years of excellence in preparing foreign high school students for university studies in Germany.</p> |
| 19:00 – open End | <p>Farewell Function: CF Music Clash</p> <p>The CF Music Clash is a musical quiz show directly from Mittweida, which is organized by the media students of the HSMW. Participants test how well they know their favorite music, genres and artists.</p> |
| Friday, 17 May 2024 | |
| 9:00 – 17:00 | <p>Cultural visit of Leipzig</p> <p>The team from the HSMW International Office will facilitate a visit to Leipzig.</p> |