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PhD Retreat Week in Benediktbeuern



The second module block for the PhD candidates of the batch 2015 in the CIH^{LMU} PhD program 'Medical Research – International Health', started with a retreat week at Benediktbeuern abbey at the ZUK Center for Environment and Culture in Benediktbeuern from January 16th to January 19th 2017.

After arrival in Benediktbeuern and checking in, Ms. Sabine Freisl welcomed the PhD candidates and coordinator Dr. Karsten Schacht with giving them a guided tour through the historical buildings of the abbey and neighboring church St. Benedict.

Following the refreshment, the workshop on organizing the upcoming PhD Symposia began, led by Bettina Prüller, CIH^{LMU} Executive Manager.

The next four days were dedicated to the workshop on Intercultural Communication and Conflict Management, conducted by our experienced coach Viola Kraus.

The group was fortunate that the sudden cold spell in Bavaria created a beautiful scenery of wintery landscape, helping the participants in gaining new experiences and impressions.

Overall, it was a very informative and useful trip for the PhD candidates and we are looking forward to come back to Benediktbeuern in January 2018 again!

CIH^{LMU} PhD Program 'Medical Research - International Health'

PhD Program Coordinators:

Dr. Karsten Schacht & Andrea Kinigadner

For more information about the PhD program, please click [here](#).

Photo 1: Arriving at Benediktbeuern

Photo 2: PhD batch 2015 in front of Benediktbeuern abbey, experiencing the cold and snowy winter in Bavaria

Photo 3: The 'Intercultural Communication' workshop group

Photos: credit:

Karsten Schacht (1 & 2),

Janak Thapa (3)

6. Cohort of the Master Program International Occupational Safety and Health



The Master International Occupational Safety and Health will start in March 2017 for the sixth time. Participants of the new cohort are already chosen and ready to start.

The application phase was from July to September 2016, where about 50 incoming applications were evaluated. From October to November, the applicants underwent interviews and the 12 best candidates were picked. They are coming from 6 different Latin American countries and have various backgrounds in Occupational Safety and Health.

The new students will meet for the first time in May 2017 for a course in Bogotá, Colombia. There they will meet up with former students from the program, who are either graduating or participating in a second course. With this event they will start their two year Masters program which will conclude in February 2019.

For more information about the master program, please click [here](#).

„Módulos online en Seguridad y Salud Ocupacional“

Application period is 15th of April to 15th of May 2017.

The course starts in June 2014 and lasts between 7 and 14 weeks depending on the chosen module.

Why is this course so important? Because it demonstrates the need for experts in Occupational Safety and Health in Latin America. Therefore, we offer for the first time this year separate modules that are part of the Masters program but external participants from Latin America are welcome to participate.

All courses will be taught online and most will be held in Spanish.

Different modules are :

- Integral Approach: biological, chemical, physical and psychosocial hazards
- Ergonomics and business administration
- Occupational Medicine
- Scientific English 1-3 (in English)

For application, please click [here](#).



Summer School in Bogotá, Colombia

Bogotá, the capital of Colombia, is the selected place for the Summer School in Latin America this year. The Summer School is part of the Master Program "International Occupational Safety and Health" and brings together students of three different cohorts.

The main objective of the Master is to train professionals in the field of Occupational Safety and Health (OSH). Therefore, we offer tools for research and work in OSH, both in Latin American countries as well as at an international level. The Master's program is based on a blended learning concept, in order to ensure maximum flexibility and efficiency.

At the Summer School in Bogota, students of the 1st semester will meet up with their fellow students and tutors. During the two weeks they will have a look into the different health systems of Latin American countries, learn how to use online databases for literature research and start developing their own research topic with focus on Occupational Safety and Health.

At the same time, students of the 3rd semester will come together for the second time to participate in the course "Biostatistics and presentation techniques". During this course the students start the analysis of their own research data. On May 13 the students will present their preliminary results during a symposium organized in cooperation with the Universidad Nacional de Colombia. This activity aims to practice and improve their presentation style.

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Course "Salud Ocupacional Cruzando Fronteras"

(students of the 1st semester / cohort 2017)

8th – 19th May 2017

Course "Bioestadística y técnicas de presentación"

(students of the 3rd semester / cohort 2016)

8th – 13th May 2017

For more information about the master program, please click [here](#).



Photo 1: Students cohort 2016



Juan Sebastián Ilardi Lazcano

Puerto Montt, Chile

Instituto de Seguridad del Trabajo (www.ist.cl)



I graduated from the Master of Occupational Health in 2015 and I work at Ergonomics & OSH Consultant.

My research interest is in Participative Ergonomics to Control Risk Factors for Musculoskeletal Disorders.

During my masters I learned collaborative networking, field investigation and teaching interventions. The Master Degree from one of the most important universities in the world was a great achievement. I benefited from the work with top investigators in the fields of occupational safety and learned OSH in a worldwide context. The skills I learn during the master program have been very helpful when working with local authorities or when developing OSH programs for our clients. I can recommend the Master of Occupational Safety and Health because it's the best program to become a specialist in OSH, with immense possibilities of growing, personal and professionally.

To share with persons (special friends by now) from other continents while knowing Germany, its places and culture was one of the greatest experiences in my life. An amazing country with amazing people, and its culture...super! I also had the chance to work as practicing student in a German company (Schott), and that blew up my mind. What an amazing experience.

Deepak Paudel

Kathmandu, Nepal

Save the Children, Nepal



I graduated from the PhD Program in 2013 and I'm the Director of Health, Nutrition, HIV AIDS; Save the Children, in Nepal.

The skills I learned from the PhD Program were technical updates on health matters, soft skills including program management, communication and networking. It was great experience to work with international colleagues and gain new perspective in health research and management.

The communication skills, program management, intercultural competence are very useful skills for my current job.

This is a perfectly designed program to keep PhD candidate continue to remain connected with their social, professional and research network in their home country and it gives you the opportunity to meet and interact with scientists from different parts of the globe. It also helps to establish and strengthen network and collaboration between colleagues and scientists from different countries.

Besides the content of the PhD program, I especially like or remember these things about Germany and Munich: Visits to different parts of Germany to learn German culture, tradition and also to get to know other colleagues in social settings. It also helped to learn team dynamics, cultural and social skills of other colleagues and to share own ideas with others.

UPCOMING EVENTS

11th March 2017

Symposium on Health-related Sustainable Development Goals: Should the changing environment concern us? Munich, Germany

The symposium this year will share and discuss selected health-related Sustainable Development Goals in the changing environment with the international speakers and audience.

Speakers of this year's symposium will be coming from Germany, Ethiopia, Nepal and Indonesia.

The symposium will be discussing challenges and opportunities around three health-related SDGs in the changing environment. A moderated discussion will invite the participants to discuss and answer several questions regarding:

- the opportunities for medical research in environment and health,
- the role of One Health approach to prevent public health threats from environmental hazards, and
- the evidence-based problem-solving strategies to mitigate the climate-related health issues.

Location: Institute of Physiology - Mosaiksaal (Pettenkoferstr. 14, 80336 Munich)

Registration for free before the 3rd of March 2017 via [EventBrite](#).

For more information, please click [here](#).



Photo 1: The Global Goals

Photo 2: Symposium Public Health

UPCOMING EVENTS

18th March 2017

Symposium on Emerging Challenges of Triple Burden of Diseases and their prospects in Developing Countries

Munich, Germany

This symposium aims to present the current panorama of the coexisting Infectious Diseases, NCD and Trauma in developing countries and at the same time promote discussion on the challenges of establishing better integrated health systems and the clinical, social and economic impact of the Triple Burden of Diseases in developing countries. It is expected that the symposium will attract a wide audience from the academia, non-governmental organizations, government agencies and healthcare providers. The symposium will be held in English.

Topics and Speakers

- Neglected Chronic Diseases in Africa: Challenging the status quo.
Prof. Dr. Ana Olga Mocumbi, National Institute of Health (INS) – Maputo, Mozambique
- Prevalence of Diabetes Mellitus among tuberculosis patients in Danang City, Vietnam
Dr. Duc Van Le , Danang Hospital for Tuberculosis and Lung Disease, Vietnam)
- Implementing programs to reduce the burden of Cervical Cancer in Vietnam: HPV vaccine and early screening using VIA
Dr. Quang Van Ngo, Da Nang Center for Reproductive Health – Da Nang, Vietnam
- Substance abuse and mental health in Africa and Asia
Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Krahl, Center for International Health (CIH) – Munich, Germany
- Early nutrition programming: implications for later life
Prof. Berthold Koletzko, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München – Munich, Germany
- Move at your own risk! Why are so many dying on our roads?
Dr. Olive Kobusingye, Makerere University School of Public Health – Kampala, Uganda
- Triple Burden of Diseases: Implications for Health Systems (panel discussion)
Moderator: Dr. Günter Fröschl, Center for International Health (CIH) – Munich, Germany
- Impact of the triple burden of disease for developing countries (panel discussion)
Moderator: Professor Marc Suhrcke, Centre for Health Economics (University of York)

CME Credit: 8 CME credit points have been applied to the Bavarian Medical Association.

Location: University Hospital of Munich, Department of Anatomy - Auditorium A202 (Pettenkoferstraße 11, Munich)

For registration please click [here](#). Please register **by 13th March 2017**.

Registration fee 30 € for general audience, 10 € for students.

For more information, please click [here](#).



UPCOMING EVENTS

29 April 2017

UPDATE 2017 - SYMPOSIUM

Humanitäre Hilfe & Entwicklungszusammenarbeit aktuelle Trends und neue Erkenntnisse für Mediziner
Munich, Germany

The CIH^{LMU} Center for International Health together with the foring - Forum for International Health organized ones again a training symposium on the topic „Medical work in development cooperation and humanitarian aid“.

The event will be held in German

For registration, please click [here](#).

Number of participants is limited, your early notification is requested.

For more information visit the website www.foring.org/symposium-2017

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October 22nd to November 4th, 2017

8th International Academic Teacher Training Course
Munich, Germany

The course aims to initiate an active participatory learning process. It uses activating learning methods, key facts and concepts which are addressed in interactive lectures. Practical skills contribute to a better understanding and the analysis of learning processes. Development of related competencies as for example intercultural skills and soft skills is supported by tutored small group discussions, group work, group presentations and expert sessions.

The course is held in English.

Application deadline: May 1st 2017

For application, please click [here](#).

For more information visit the [website](#)

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UPCOMING EVENTS

18th-21st September 2017

Water Security and Climate Change Conference 2017

Cologne, Germany

The renowned society of water experts will come together once more for the second international Water Security and Climate Change conference. Academics and practitioners from various sectors are set to discuss the diverse facets of water security in dynamic environments and its relation to climate variability and change.

For more information visit the website www.cnr.d.info/wsc2017

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CNRD (TH Köln), SWINDON (TU Braunschweig) and other partners of the Exceed network under the umbrella of the Academic Year 2017, which focuses on Water as declared by the Cologne Science Forum.

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Conference**

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Cologne, Germany

