AFECO Monthly Newsletter January 2020

AFECO exam registration

Exam registration on BASIS ends on **January 15**th **2020**! Don't forget to **register for all** your **exams including assignments, homework, seminar papers** you did during the semester as well as the written and oral exams coming in February/March.

BoWaCo Double Degree info meeting

Are you interested in the joint study programme of Bonn (Agricultural and Food Economics AFECO) and Wageningen (Management, Economics and Consumer Studies MME)? Find out more about the programme at the BoWaCo website and come to the info meeting on January 17th 11-12:30 PC-Room Nussallee 21.

AFECO Christmas party memories 2019

Thank you all for participating in the Christmas Party, we were very happy to spend time with all of you! We wish you all a successful exam periodSofia & Freddy



Seminar: Impact of climate change on the transformation of Sub Saharan agriculture and food security

Prof. Dr. Richard A. Sikora, University of Bonnis talking at the ARTS seminar on **30. January 17:00 –18:15h in HS I, Nussallee 1** about Impact of climate change on the transformation of Sub Saharan agriculture and food security. Background on the talk can be found here.

End of semester concerts

Akademisches Orchester & Chor Collegium musicum: 20.01.2020 at 20:15 and 22.01.2020 at 20:00, Orchester des Collegium musicum: 23.01.2020 at 20:15 and 27.01.2020 at 20:15,

Bigband 28.01.2020 at 20:15, **Jazzchor der Universität Bonn:** 31.01.2020 at 20:00, 02.02.2020 at 19:00 and 05.02.2020 at 20:30, **Uniorchester Bonn - Camerata musicale** 01.02.2020 at 20:15 and 03.02.2020 at 20:15.

Where? Main building Universität Bonn Am Hof 1 53113 Bonn at Aula der Universität Bonn.

Where do you buy your groceries?

In Bonn you can find a lot of alternative concepts to buy and share food like food sharing or community-supported agriculture. But have you heard about the Marktschwärmer yet? You can order the food you want online without minimum order and then collect your local groceries at one of the four spots in Bonn (they are open one day per week). At these venues you also meet the farmers who produce your food. Isn't that cool? The Food Assembly (as it is called in English) does not only exist in Bonn but in many places in Germany and even Europe. Maybe someone could even build their thesis research around this interesting concept? www.marktschwaermer.de/en

Would you rather wrap up with a cup of tea (or mulled wine)?

Rotten is a documentary TV series on Netflix which focuses on the problems of supplying food. Corruption, waste and unfair treatment of workers are only a few problems which consumers are almost never aware of. If you are looking for something to watch during the cold winter days, Estera recommends this series. Watch the <u>trailer</u>.

Internship and Job Opportunities*

Wissenschaftliche Hilfskraft (10h) (w,m,d), Institut für zukunftsfähige Ökonomien (ZOE), Bonn Bewerbungsfrist: 06.01.2019

Studentische Mitarbeiter*innen und Praktikant*innen gesucht (m/w/d), Bund Heimat und Umwelt (BHU), Bonn

Check out the ILR <u>website</u> for PhD positions and other post-graduate job opportunities. *job descriptions in German require fluent German skills

ILR Testimonial: Dr. Carolin Kamrath

<u>Dr. Carolin Kamrath</u> is a Postdoc in the Chair of <u>Technology</u> and <u>Innovation Management in Agribusiness</u> who joined the chair for her PhD four years ago. I (Nina Januszewski) asked Carolin about her motivation to stay at the institute and which parts she likes most about her job.

N.J.: What were the reasons you accepted the offer and stayed at the ILR after finishing your PhD?

C.K.: I was super happy that I got the offer. For me, there are two reasons why working at the University is great – one is, you are working in a dynamic scientific atmosphere, witnessing developments from the beginning (in case of our chair about



technology induced innovations) and can be part of the innovation process; the other big motivation is to work with students who are coming from diverse backgrounds and go to different places after their studies. Overall, the dynamic and fast changing society requires knowledge for managing transitions and establishing innovations – and I am glad to be a part of it! All in all, the working environment in the ILR is very diverse and fascinating.

N.J.: What is your new role? Which responsibilities do you have now?

C.K.: My new role has different pillars. The first pillar is teaching and its organization. I am involved in more classes as I have been before. Further, we are continuously adapting up-to-date teaching strategies (for example by developing suitable digitalized study material) but also being up-to-date content-wise of your study material (for example, the choice of case studies, research methods). The second pillar is research in the area of Entrepreneurship which also includes transfer topics from research projects/outcomes or students' ideas for start-ups to the realization. As a chair with different projects, people and teaching responsibilities brings a lot together, my third pillar is to support the overall organization and coordination of the daily business.

N.J.: What is the most exciting part about this job?

C.K.: Definitely, to get to know about agri-food innovations and the future prospects of our food system. While discussing with colleagues, students, going to workshops or conferences, I am always fascinated by the ideas that might result in actual innovations.

We want you to contribute!

A big thank you to **Estera**, **Iyanuoluwa and Nina** who contributed to this issue of the newsletter. Contact us at afeco.info@ilr.uni-bonn.de to learn how you can contribute!