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Dear Absolvia,

Spring is just around the corner and as the saying goes: „May makes everything new“. For us it's more likely to be June and we don't want to give too much away just yet, but we are currently reinventing our offers for you. On June 15, we are launching the Alumni Galaxy - A Galaxy of 16,000 stars and by stars we mean you: our alumni. Because that's exactly what you are to us: stars.

16,000 stars is a lot of potential. It is precisely this potential that we want to „raise“, like a treasure. We at THD Alumni want to accompany and support you on your path. No matter where you are right now and where you want to go. Starting with the workbook that we have developed especially for our graduates, through offers for life-long learning, networking or personal wellbeing: we are there for you. We publicize your stories to encourage others. We provide you with tools to help you make better or easier decisions or to initiate changes. We offer you platforms to exchange ideas with experts.

We rely on your feedback to ensure that we „hit the mark“. In this Post Graduate you will find a few of our ideas, with a request for input so that we can turn ideas into concrete offers.

We look forward to your support, the jointly developed offers, which we hope you will then use diligently and, as always, we hope to see you again soon.

Enjoy spring and its power for new beginnings!

Yours

Ulrike Savchel

DO YOU ALREADY KNOW OUR ALUMNI NEWSLETTER PG MONTHLY?

The newsletter exclusively for alumni of Deggendorf Institute of Technology is an extension of our Post Graduate for all those who would like to receive regular information about the university and interesting events for alumni. It is sent out once a month by e-mail. You can register [here](#).



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08.05. - 13.09.2024

Exhibition of the glass artist Erhard Köck, TAZ Spiegelau

15.05.2024

Business Informatics Symposium

23.05.2024

Study information day at the THD

24.05.2024

NEFTON project - closing event

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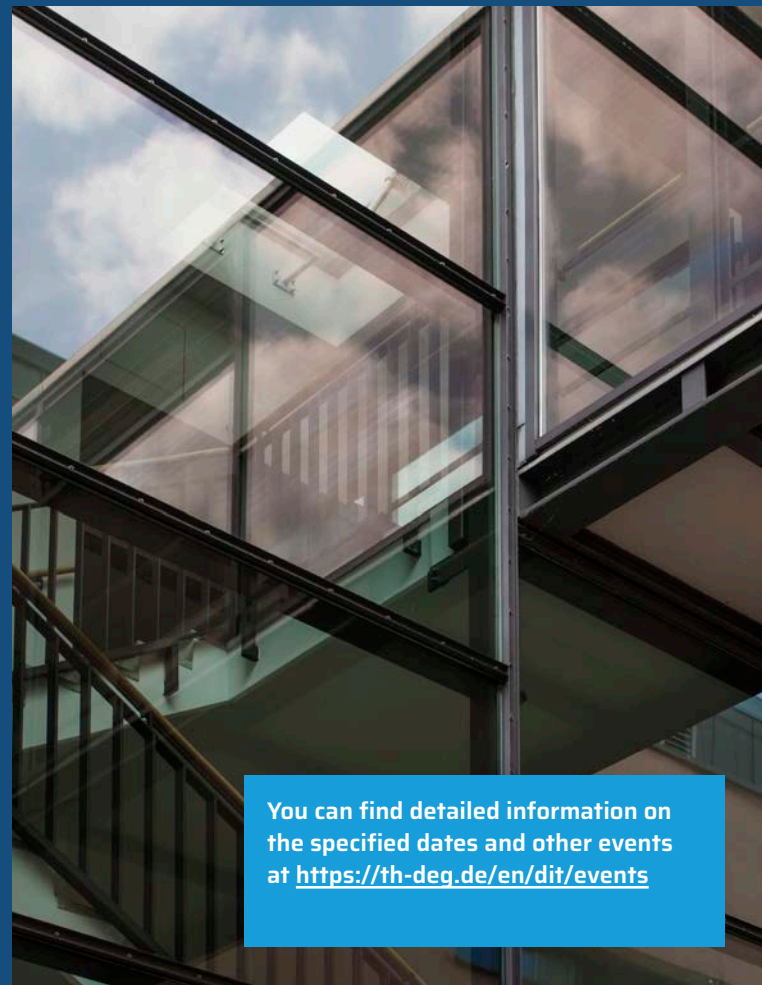
Lecture series „Living longer at home“ - Date 3/6

26.06.2024

Invasive ventilation - Journal Club Intensive Care 2024

11.07.2024

Lecture series „Living longer at home“ - Date 4/6



You can find detailed information on the specified dates and other events at <https://th-deg.de/en/dit/events>

DATES

THD-ALUMNI & ALUMNINET E.V.

05.06.2024 | 18.00 Uhr

Online seminar for professionals „Leadership Skills“

06.06.2024

30 years THD

15.06.2024

Graduation ceremony 2024 at the Deggendorf campus

21.09.2024 | 10.00 Uhr

Online seminar for (young) professionals „Work-life integration“ at the THD

25.10.2024

Graduation ceremony of the European Campus Rottal-Inn

15.11.2024

Graduation ceremony of the Cham campus



Alumni Gründer in Profile

THOMAS WIEDERER

BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION | FINAL YEAR 2019

Dear Tom, please tell us something about your professional career

My professional career is a nice balance between a mature industrial company and a young start-up. Alongside my studies, I founded Herbal Spa and during my internship and final thesis at Zollner Elektronik AG, I worked on HR marketing, which was a new topic for Zollner at the time. I really enjoyed both and I think both worlds benefit from each other. On the one hand, I benefit in the start-up from the structure and processes that an established global company brings with it and Zollner benefits from my entrepreneurial thinking and the decision-making skills that I know from the start-up world.

How did Herbal Spa come to be founded and how did it end up appearing on the VOX show „Höhle der Löwen“?

The path was really exciting and not planned that way. Back then, we experimented with our herbal baths, more out of curiosity than anything else, and found it exciting to create our „own“ product. When we tested our first „tea bags for the bathtub“ with relatives and friends, the feedback was consistently good. The first test users really liked the application possibilities and the naturalness of the product and that was the first time we thought about whether it could even become a business. We went down that path and, admittedly a little naive, threw ourselves into the adventure. Thank God we were a bit naive. If we had known what we were in for, we probably wouldn't have done the whole thing. The cosmetics certification was extremely time-consuming and cost us a lot of time and money. We couldn't sell anything during that time, we couldn't test our business model and when the certification was successfully completed, we needed a fast and far-reaching market entry strategy. That was the first time we actually talked about our application for the VOX start-up show „Die Höhle der Löwen“. We had been fans for a long time anyway and were enthusiastic about the investors and founders. We then simply applied and it is still absolutely amazing for us that it worked out.

How have you been since then?

Great, we are very grateful and happy for what has happened over the past year. In Ralf, we have an absolute role model both personally and professionally. The experience alone has

enriched us personally and professionally and we have learned an enormous amount. Nobody can take that away from us. Seeing our herbal baths on the market throughout Germany is a great feeling and shows us that the long journey has been worthwhile.

Reminiscing allowed: Remember your time as a student at DIT.

I always like to think back to that. I started my business studies straight after graduating from high school and can still remember standing on campus on the first day and realizing that a whole new chapter was about to begin. THD made the transition very easy. The professors, the team and the students are one big family. It's very easy to find your way around and the culture on campus is simply very open and positive. Of course, I also learned a lot about the subject. It was doubly exciting for me because the idea of Herbal Spa had been buzzing around in my head since the beginning of my studies and I always tried to apply the content from the lectures in practice - writing a business plan, developing sales concepts and becoming active in marketing, I always had my practical example. The whole infrastructure around the THD, with the ITC, the many offers also outside the regular lectures offer a great environment for modern teaching and allow innovations to emerge. I would do everything the same way again at any time.

What advice would you like to give current (business administration) students?

Find your strengths and be courageous. Passion comes from curiosity and ambition. This helps in any endeavor, whether as an entrepreneur or an employee. But most importantly: enjoy your time, you only study once.

WE ARE ALSO VERY PLEASED ABOUT YOUR ALUMNI PROFILE

Simply answer the above questions briefly in writing, attach a photo and send both by e-mail to alumni@th-deg.de. You can find our alumni profiles on the website here:

<https://th-deg.de/de/alumni#alumni-profile>



New ways in medical research

GO-AHEAD FOR THE LOWER BAVARIA MEDICAL CAMPUS

Until now, it has not been possible for school leavers to study medicine in Lower Bavaria. From the winter semester 2024/2025, medical students from the University of Regensburg will be able to complete part of their studies at the hospitals in Straubing, Landshut, Deggendorf/Mainkofen and Passau. In the presence of Bavaria's Minister of Science, Markus Blume, all project partners - including the Technical University of Deggendorf (DIT) - signed the cooperation agreement for the Medical Campus Lower Bavaria (MCN).

The MCN will create a total of 20 new clinical professorships for medical education in Lower Bavaria. In addition, seven professorships will be created for the new Institute for Health Sciences at the University of Passau in cooperation with the DIT. The focus on health lies in the digital age. For example, there will be the Centre for Digital Medical Education (ZeDiMA) in Passau, which is a future laboratory for specific medical digital teaching formats.

The Faculty of Applied Health Sciences (AGW) at the DIT will receive one professorship, six staff positions and 300 square metres of space for research and transfer. The aim of the professorship is to support the practical study phase of human medicine. From 2027, this will also take place at the Deggendorf/ Mainkofen district hospital. Following the first phase of their studies at the Medical Faculty of the University of Re-

gensburg, four groups of medical students will receive specialized training at the hospitals in Passau, Landshut, Straubing and Deggendorf/Mainkofen. This means that Lower Bavaria now has its own medical training programme.

The AGW offers bachelor programmes in the following fields: Nursing, Physiotherapy, Physician Assistant, Management of Health, Social and Emergency Services, Management of Patient Inclusion and Participation and a Masters in Mental Health. There are also part-time courses in Nursing Education and Emergency Services Education, as well as a Masters in Vocation Education - Health and Care. Important from the perspective of the DIT faculty is that interdisciplinary and multi-professional cooperation is the prerequisite for good and sustainable health care. Health promotion and prevention are increasingly important in the future, and will become increasingly important in the future, especially in the face of the increase in chronic diseases due to demographic developments and the growing demand for care.

The multi-site MCN concept ensures that training is close to home and encourages doctors to stay in the region. The Medical Campus Lower Bavaria offers additional study places in human medicine for prospective students and enables them to complete high school graduates from Lower Bavaria to receive a high-quality medical education in their home region.

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ALUMNI CELEBRATION OF THE FACULTY OF CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

On Friday, March 15, 2024, the Deggendorf Institute of Technology hosted the Construction and Environment Symposium on the topic of „Innovation - how will we build in the future?“

Following the event, a large alumni gathering was organized in the THD's Glashaus. At the same time, the student association VDBau celebrated its 25th anniversary and thus took over the organization and implementation of the event.

The former students were invited by the DIT Alumni Office. Around 150 alumni of the faculty accepted the invitation and took part in the big homecoming.

In addition to networking and reuniting with former fellow students, there was of course plenty of opportunity for professional and personal exchange. Many members of staff and professors from the faculty also accepted the invitation, including Prof. Kurt Häberl (professor from the very beginning and still known to many of the alumni who attended).

The event began at 4 p.m. with a welcome from our Vice President for Research and Transfer, Prof. Wolfgang Dorner, who is also an alumnus of the Faculty of Civil and Environmental Engineering. He took the participants on a journey through 30 years of THD and showed how the university has developed over the past years and decades. The Dean of the Faculty of

Civil and Environmental Engineering then had kind words for „her“ alumni. She also looked back on the development of the faculty, presented new professors and highlighted how valuable

the training of qualified civil and environmental engineers at DIT is beyond the region. This was followed by a short elevator pitch by Mr. Andreas Blüml, also a DIT alumnus and research associate in the LightCer project. He presented his current research on the topic of „Drying of bricks“ and gave an interesting insight into the diversity of research at DIT. This was followed by a cozy get-together of alumni, students and professors of the faculty. A varied buffet was prepared by the Studentenwerk Niederbayern-Oberpfalz. The VDBau had also organized a DJ who played in the upper part of the Glashaus so that everyone could celebrate together until later in the evening. For those who preferred a quieter atmosphere, there was the opportunity to sit together on the first floor of the premises. VDBau went to great lengths to equip the rooms with appropriate lighting and sound technology.

Would you also like to organize a Homecoming with your former fellow students? The THD Alumni Team will be happy to support you! Get in touch with us at alumni@th-deg.de





Teaching Lab at the THD

Deggendorf Institute of Technology is trying to square the circle a little with a so-called „Teaching Lab“. Teaching should be personal in these times, but at the same time digital and flexible. That’s why it’s not strange when the lecture hall suddenly becomes a lab. And DIT now has such a lab on its campus.

„Our university is diverse,“ explains Dr. Karina Fisch, Team Leader of the Digital Teaching Department. „Many study internationally, part-time or have a family alongside their studies. This is the mix that is at home here“. This requires innovative solutions. According to a study conducted in 2023, 79 percent of students at DIT would like to see online teaching. A lot has happened since the pandemic, when it was only possible to offer online teaching for long stretches. The needs of the young generation are changing, but fortunately, exclusively virtual teaching is not what they want. Lectures at DIT, including personal contact with lecturers and students, continue to be highly valued.

„Learning together, exchanging ideas and being well looked after at the same time are definitely two success factors,“ reports Fisch. „With the Teaching Lab, we have now created a space that combines the best of both worlds. Namely the advantages of on-site teaching with the flexibility of live online teaching“. Prof. Waldemar Berg, the new President of DIT since March 15, also knows that DIT offers a completely new learning experience: „In order to be attractive in the long term, good conditions for teaching are crucial.“ With the Teaching Lab, DIT has implemented a unique solution. The aim has always been to offer a holistic learning concept. The special concept for the room is exceptional. Alexander Zitt, also team leader in the Department of Digital Teaching, is enthusiastic: „The highlight is that the interplay of innovative learning methods and sophisticated technical equipment in this room makes it possible to teach as if all students were actually there.“

The two meeting boxes in the room are downright extravagant. Accordingly, there are already a few myths surrounding them: gum cell or smokers’ corner? But the retreats are not quiet places. This is where people discuss and work together. Zitt explains: „The meeting boxes are a meeting point for group work in mixed teams of virtual students and fellow students at DIT. At the same time, they are also ideal for face-to-face teaching, as they allow groups to exchange ideas without disturbing each other“. Right next to it is the large, writable magnetic board. A tool for displaying knowledge in black and white in an almost unlimited way.

„A space with a wide range of possibilities,“ enthuses Karina Fisch. „Our students have the chance to experience a completely new learning experience here.“ You can find more information about the Teaching Lab at www.th-deg.de/teachinglab.



STUDENTS REPORT - WHAT ARE THE ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES FOR THEM?

The THD study group of the part-time bachelor's program „Pedagogy in Emergency Services“ and Bachelor „Nursing Pedagogy“, at the Center for Academic Continuing Education, are already familiar with the Teaching Lab and report back:

Katja Schockemöhle, 27 years old, emergency paramedic from Bakum: „Over 700km separate me locally from Deggendorf. Good hybrid teaching is crucial for me and the prerequisite for my professional career.“

Florian Ullrich, 29 years old, emergency paramedic from Munich: „My first impression was that the technology is inconspicuously integrated into the room. Unobtrusive in a positive sense. It has never been so easy to involve the online participants.“

Ramona Gall, 32 years old, practical instructor for practical training in nursing care from Hengersberg: „My TOP 1 for me is definitely teaching on site, in Deggendorf. Pure online teaching is not an option for me - with a child and dogs at home. Hybrid teaching allows everyone in my study group to choose the right framework for optimal learning.“

Dominik Partheymüller, 26 Jahre, Notfallsanitäter aus Holzkirchen: „Das Teaching Lab ist für hybride Lehre das nächste Level! Es gab bisher nichts Vergleichbares an der Hochschule.“

Frederik Gerdsmeyer, 35 years old emergency paramedic from Bakum: „The Teaching Lab offers a wide range of possibilities: The large magnetic wall and the meeting boxes for group work with virtual participants are simply great - even better than in person. Studying has never been easier. Discussions and exchanges during lectures are essential for our subject. With the new room, all fellow students can work together at eye level and with good sound and vision, in a practical and personal way.“

Dominik Partheymüller, 26, emergency paramedic from Holzkirchen: „The Teaching Lab is the next level for hybrid teaching! There was nothing comparable at the university before.“

THD plans to launch social work degree programme

The Faculty of Applied Health Sciences (AGW) at the Deggendorf Institute of Technology (THD), is planning to launch a programme in social work to counteract the shortage of skilled workers in the region. The new bachelor's degree programme is to start as early as the 2024/25 winter semester. On 29 February, the 'Health and social' took place on the THD campus.

According to the German Institute for Economic Research, social work is the profession with the greatest shortage of skilled workers, ahead of childcare and care of the elderly. The reasons for this are many, as the demand for social

workers has increased in many areas. In recent years, social work has continued to expand, and in the course of implementation of the Federal Participation Act, more facilities for the disabled have been approved. In addition crisis and the expansion of refugee aid. Several needs analyses carried out by THD in collaboration with the Psychosocial Work Group (PSAG), have highlighted the urgency and importance of a social work programme in Deggendorf. According to the regional organisations, there are currently almost 100 vacancies, and this number is expected to rise in the coming years. This compares with around 700 pupils in the second and third years in the larger catchment area who are currently



Program in WS 2024/25



ool attending the technical and vocational upper schools (FOS/
the BOS) with the social branch.

There are also plans to offer the course as a dual programme.
Students should benefit from the depth in practical experience
and institutions from early contact with potential employees.

Detailed information about the new course at the
THD can be found here: www.th-deg.de/sa-b-en



NEW PROFESSORS



Prof. Dr. Matthias Hümmel

Alumnus of:

Business Administration (MBA), 2014, FOM University of Applied Sciences Frankfurt
 Mathematics (Dipl. Math. Univ.), 2003, Julius-Maximilians-University of Würzburg

Doctorate in:

Complexity and its control in international large-scale and mega-mega projects in German large-scale plant construction (Dr.-Ing.)

Professional stations:

- Professor of Integrated Engineering at the Baden- Württemberg Cooperative State University in Mannheim
- Various positions (calculation engineer, project manager, group leader, project engineer, etc.) at Framatome GmbH in Erlangen
- Research assistant at the Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangen-Nuremberg
- Research assistant at the Julius-Maximilians-University of Würzburg

At the THD for (faculty/subject area):

Digital construction management

What do you particularly appreciate about THD?

A lot of things are up to date, especially the great atmosphere and great colleagues, a warm welcome - but there is certainly more to come

Special projects:

none at the moment - but will get to know some of them in the future

Favorite vacation spot:

There are many, but especially all countries that are „warm“, e.g. the United Arab Emirates



Prof. Dr. Bernd Kuhn

Alumnus of:

Environmental Engineering, specializing in Energy Engineering, FH Amberg-Weiden (now HAW Amberg-Weiden), 2002

Doctorate in:

Clausthal University of Technology, Chair of Metallurgy

Professional stations:

- 2023 - 02/2024: RheinMain University of Applied Sciences, Rüsselsheim (Professorship for Hydrogen and Energy Storage)
- 2008 - 2022: Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH (high temperature fuel cells, steel development, material structure and properties, especially material mechanics)
- 2002 - 2008: Development engineer at BMW AG (liquid hydrogen, high-temperature fuel cells)

At the THD for (faculty/subject area):

Hydrogen: electrolysis / fuel cell technology

What do you particularly appreciate about THD?

Openness to research, innovative environment

Special projects:

none yet, but hopefully soon: electrolysis in all its technical-forms, innovative methods for hydrogen compression

Favorite vacation spot:

by the sea...



Prof. Dr. Sophia Kueres

Alumnus of:

Civil Engineering, 2013, RWTH Aachen University

Doctorate in:

Solid construction („Analysis and design of concrete beams with pre-tensioned CFRP reinforcement“)

Professional stations:

- 2019 - 2024 Engineering office Grassl Munich
- 2013 - 2019 Institute for Concrete and Masonry
- Structures at RWTH Aachen University

At the THD for (faculty/subject area):

Structural engineering, focus on materials

What do you particularly appreciate about THD?

the family atmosphere and the diverse development opportunities in terms of teaching and research

Special projects:

Development of a pedestrian bridge made of prestressed carbon concrete

Favorite vacation spot:

Canada or South Africa



Prof. Dr. Michael Scholz

Alumnus of:

Diploma in Business Informatics, 2005, Martin Luther University Halle/Wittenberg

Doctorate in:

Wirtschaftsinformatik 2009, University of Passau

Professional stations:

- from 01.03.2024 Professor of Information Systems, THD
- 2020 - 2024 Research assistant, TC Grafenau, THD
- 2018 - 2019 Senior IT Consultant, msg systems AG
- 2010 - 2018 Junior Professor of Business Informatics, University of Passau
- 2005 - 2010 Research assistant, University of Passau

At the THD for (faculty/subject area):

Subject area Information Systems

What do you particularly appreciate about THD?

I particularly appreciate the diversity of disciplines and cultures that work together on different projects in teaching and research at DIT.

Special projects:

In my research, I am particularly concerned with the design of e-commerce systems and researching the economic impact of e-commerce systems on retailers and customers. In a current project, I am investigating the effect of customer reviews created using generative AI on the purchasing decision behavior of customers. The results provide an insight into the extent to which AI will influence our future purchasing behavior.

Favorite vacation spot:

Bicycle and tent in Scandinavia

NEW PROFESSORS



Prof. Dr. Claudia Osterkamp-Baerens

Alumnus of:

Diploma in Ecotrophology, 1992, TU Munich

Doctorate in:

Ecotrophology, TU Munich

Professional stations:

25 years of freelance work for various German Olympic training centers, German sports associations and the Bavarian State Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Forestry. 15 years own practice for sports nutrition in Munich; teaching position at the THD since 2017

At the THD for (faculty/subject area):

NUW / ASW / Sports nutrition

What do you particularly appreciate about THD?

The many super nice people on campus

Favorite vacation spot:

The sea, especially the Atlantic



Prof. Dr. Tim A. Weber

Alumnus of:

Mechanical Engineering (Research and Development), OTH Regensburg

Doctorate in:

University of Groningen (Rijksuniversiteit Groningen)

Professional stations:

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Laboratory for Biomechanics, OTH Regensburg Head of Material Technology, Zollner Elektronik AG, Zandt

At the THD for (faculty/subject area):

Big Data and Production Management (teaching location Cham)

What do you particularly appreciate about THD?

young and dynamic environment and the freedom

Special projects:

Machine learning in production for predicting product quality and increasing the efficiency of quality inspections

Favorite vacation spot:

Italy, Ireland, Germany



Prof. Dr. Nikolaus Urban

Alumnus of:

Ilmenau University of Technology and Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangen Nuremberg; studied general mechanical engineering with a focus on production engineering; doctorate at the Chair of Manufacturing Automation and Production Systems (FAPS) under Prof. Jörg Franke

Doctorate in:

Engineering sciences: Laser beam melting of neodymium-iron-boron for the additive production of permanent magnets)

Professional stations:

FAU Erlangen-Nuremberg; Infineon Technologies; DRÄXLMAIER Group

At the THD for (faculty/subject area):

Store floor analytics in one-off production

What do you particularly appreciate about THD?

Modern infrastructure, excellent conditions for research and teaching as well as an outstanding reputation among industry partners for joint research projects

Special projects:

Digitalization for tool and mould making

Favorite vacation spot:

South Tyrol



Prof. Dr. Sebastian Grundstein

Alumnus of:

Mechanical Engineering E Management, 2012, TU Munich

Doctorate in:

Production Engineering, University of Bremen

Professional stations:

ROI-EFESO Management Consulting (until 2024), BIBA - Bremen Institute for Production and Logistics (until 2017)

At the THD for (faculty/subject area):

Cyber-physical production systems

What do you particularly appreciate about THD?

Collegial helpfulness, entrepreneurial thinking

Special projects:

Bringing the digital factory to life (and into teaching)

Favorite vacation spot:

The best place to go with my toddlers is the beach :)

Offers for DIT alumni

Online seminar on the topic of „Leadership Skills“ - Wednesday, 05.06.2024 from 6 pm

In the „Leadership Skills“ workshop, graduates learn about the five dimensions of leadership: leading themselves, horizontal leadership, leading their boss, leading a team/organization. They can also reflect on their experiences as a manager and in leadership. What makes a good leader? And how can you become one? Participants receive tools with which they can practise, reflect on and develop their leadership skills on a daily basis.

Please register for the seminar by e-mail to alumninet@thdeg.de. AlumniNet members can attend free of charge. Nonmembers pay a participation fee of €50.00.

Seminar on the topic of „Work-Life Integration“ - Saturday, 21.09.2024 from 10 a.m.

On Saturday, 21.09.2024, a seminar for (young) professionals on the topic of „Work-Life Integration“ will take place at DIT from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Self-optimization and acceleration - we live in an age in which we want to achieve more and more in less and less time. Sleeping less, working more, managing more efficiently. Having a family, maintaining friendships, realizing yourself - I do, therefore I am! No wonder some people suffer from constant stress and feel burnt out. In order to remain professionally successful and personally satisfied, it is important to balance your life between the three essential parameters for success: Time, health and relationships with loved ones.

Contents of the seminar are:

- What motivates me and others
- Harmonizing external and internal requirements
- Setting priorities and creating freedom through clarity
- Solution-oriented thinking and action
- Stress prevention and stress management
- Regenerate properly after work

- Which type of work needs which form of organization
- Professional and private relationship management
- Activity and relaxation, action and reaction

We accept registrations by e-mail to alumninet@th-deg.de.

For graduates who are not members of AlumniNet, the participation fee is €50.00. AlumniNet members can attend free of charge.

NEW: THD Alumni Competence Rounds - sharing expertise

This is aimed at DIT alumni who, after several/many years in the profession, have expert knowledge in the respective industries/specialist areas and would like to exchange ideas with other people with the same expertise. The respective topic is always very specific and can therefore only appeal to the respective experts. The discussion framework is protected. Alumni talk to each other here, the conversations are

- in presence
- Confidential
- from peer2peer, without competition

Event dates and planned topics will soon be published on the homepage. Invitations to the exclusive competence rounds will be sent out by e-mail.

All alumni are also welcome to submit topics of their choice: alumni@th-deg.de



DigiTech Promotion Center

At the end of September 2023, TH Deggendorf (THD), TH Augsburg and HaW Landshut were granted the right to award doctorates for the doctoral center „Digital Technologies and their Application“ (DigiTech), which is led by THD. Shortly after the announcement, the DigiTech doctoral center began its work and was the first cross-university doctoral center in Bavaria to accept its first doctoral students in March 2024. Together with them, the three universities announced the opening of the center one year after the application was submitted on 11. March.

The opening of the doctoral center was celebrated on March 2024. The presidents and vice presidents for research from the three universities, professorial members of the doctoral center, two doctoral students from each of the participating universities (pictured) and other guests were present.

The doctoral center focuses on the megatrends of the digitalization of processes, products and services and their use in society, the economy and the environment. The research spectrum is characterized by interdisciplinarity with the intention of contributing to the solution of social, economic and ecological problems through digital technologies. Due to the different areas of specialization of the individual professorial members, many research topics can be covered and thus offers doctoral students optimal conditions for the implementation of their doctoral project.

Following the formation of committees and the drafting of doctoral regulations and statutes as well as various guidelines

for quality assurance, the DigiTech doctoral center homepage was set up and the first application round took place in February 2024. Applications are submitted to DIT. The application documents are formally reviewed by the DIT Graduate School and submitted to the Doctoral Committee, which decides on the subject of admission.

After admission to the doctoral center, doctoral students complete a structured doctorate in which various requirements must be met. These include regular feedback meetings with supervisors and reports to the doctoral committee as well as involvement in teaching and participation in a total of four qualification courses. These qualification courses are already offered at DIT as part of the university certificate „Research and dissertation skills“

Applications for admission to the Doctoral Center can be submitted quarterly by the deadlines listed on the homepage. A mandatory requirement for admission is that the first supervisor is a professorial member of the Doctoral Center and agrees to take on the supervision. There are currently 31 professors with strong research skills from three different universities available for initial supervision.

All information about the application, the members and the general procedure can be found on the homepage. The THD Graduate School is of course also available to answer questions at any time: graduate-school@th-deg.de.



COMPLETE UNIVERSITY CERTIFICATE COURSES AT THE CENTER FOR ACADEMIC CONTINUING EDUCATION AT A LOWER COST AS A THD ALUMNI

The only constant in life is change - stay flexible, keep learning!

The **Center for Academic Continuing Education** stands for lifelong learning. The study programs and courses on offer always deal with cutting-edge, but also timeless topics that are in demand on the job market, so that you always stay on the ball professionally and master every career leap. In a constantly changing world, it is crucial to keep up with the latest developments. Continuous learning not only keeps you mentally flexible, but also opens up new perspectives.

Invest in your future!

Whether you want to improve your professional skills, discover a new passion, specialize or are simply curious about new topics - the Centre for Academic Continuing Education offers you a wide range of compact university certificate courses that are constantly being optimized and expanded.

- Six Sigma
- Lean Management and Kaizen Practitioner
- Programming in Python for beginners
- Data analytics
- Sustainability and corporate governance
- Agile project management according to Scrum
- Usability E UX Professional
- Design Thinking
- Business process modeling according to BPMN
- and much more.

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The lecturers are experts who not only have many years of teaching experience, but are also committed to imparting the latest best practices and practical tips - so you can apply your new skills directly in your job and benefit to the maximum from your further training.

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