



Niels Helle-Meyer: "We need a new basic understanding of how processes are lived at HU"

It has been just under 100 days since Niels Helle-Meyer finally took office as Vice President for Finance, Human Resources and Operations following his election in July 2022. "Finally" also because a multitude of challenges are located in his department. In the interview, he talks about his first impressions, how SAP can continue at HU, and also reveals what he personally still lacks for a good work-life balance.

[Read interview with Helle-Meyer on the intranet](#)

Administration & Service

20 years ago: The Erwin-Schrödinger-Zentrum opens centrally on the Adlershof Campus

Service from a single source - this is the principle on which the Erwin-Schrödinger-Zentrum in Adlershof has been operating for 20 years. On 19 May, 2003, the functional building - in which the services of a university library and a university computer center were organized under one roof for the first time in Germany - was handed over to the students and employees of the location. An exhibition in the vestibule of the library will show the development of the Erwin-Schrödinger-Zentrum over the past 20 years starting on 19 May.

[Read the report on the intranet](#)

[Open detailed report with photo gallery on the UB blog](#)

Lange Nacht der Wissenschaften: Discounted tickets for employees and families

On 17 June, 60 scientific institutions will again open their doors for the Long Night of the Sciences in Berlin and Potsdam, and of course Humboldt-Universität will also be there with an interesting program and numerous activities at several locations. HU employees can already purchase tickets for themselves, their families, friends and acquaintances at reduced rates.

[Ticket categories and further information on advance sale](#)

Panel Discussion: "Women in Leadership and Finance" on 22 May

Be it in the management bodies of companies or universities: Women are still in the minority in important positions of power. On 22 May, the Office of the Women's Representative invites you to a hybrid discussion. Guests will be Monika Schulz-Strelow, founding president of the Initiative Frauen in die Aufsichtsräte (FidAR), and Karolina Decker, managing director of the finmarie Investment Academy. Both have been campaigning for women's equality in leadership and finance for years.

Date: Monday, 22 May, 6 to 8 p.m.

Ort: Venue: Auditorium at the Jacob-und-Wilhelm-Grimm-Zentrum or via [Zoom](#) (Meeting-ID: 627 8850 5796, Password: 629528)

Please register at: caroline.kunert@hu-berlin.de

Health Management: Exhibition and Action Day at Campus Adlershof

The University Health Management (HGM) has now moved its poster exhibition of survey results to Adlershof. Since 9 May, the infographics of the online survey on working conditions and health from the summer of 2022 "Are you doing well at HU?" have been on display on the ground floor of the Erwin Schrödinger Centre. On site, as part of an action day on 1 June from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., there will be an opportunity to get into conversation together, test your own balance or reaction skills and taste delicious - and above all healthy - snacks.

[View the results of the survey online](#)

Health management: still free places for professors in the focus group on 24 May

Based on the survey results on working conditions and health, online workshops will be held in May to work together on solutions and concrete measures for a health-promoting working environment. There are still free places for the focus group of professors, which will take place online on 24 May (from 1 to 4 p.m.). Participation counts as working time and supports the university's health management in implementing measures according to the needs and requirements of the employees in order to make the HU healthy together.

[Register now for the focus group](#)

Background: This is how the extensive network outage occurred on 4 May

On 4 May, the campus network of Humboldt-Universität suffered a comprehensive network outage lasting several hours. This affected all services operated by the Computer and Media Service (CMS), some of which were still not functioning as usual until the next day. The CMS provides information on the background and explains how this outage could have occurred.

[Read the report on the intranet](#)

New: Zoom consultation hour for OpenProject users

OpenProject has successfully established itself as a project management tool at the HU. In order to support the users even better, the CMS is now offering a regular consultation hour. Here, all participants have the opportunity to exchange their experiences, problems and best practices in project organisation with OpenProject, to network and to receive individual support in personal counselling sessions.

Date: Every last Friday of the month at 11 a.m. (starting 16 May).

Location: [Zoom \(Meeting-ID: 653.4309.9265\)](#)

SAP: Problems with Ariba resolved/Please check vouchers

The problems with the SAP application Ariba that have existed since the beginning of May have been resolved. Since 15 May, procurements have been triggered properly again and can be processed. To be on the safe side, users are asked to check their current requisitions, purchase orders and goods receipts.

[Further information on the Ariba outage](#)

Science & Teaching

Special benefits: Appreciation of above-average performance by professors

Once again this year, Humboldt-Universität staff have the opportunity to apply for special merit pay for above-average performance in the areas of research, teaching, promotion of young researchers and continuing education. The basis for the award is the statute on the award of special performance payments in the W pay scale and the W pay scale guideline. Accordingly, all professors in grades W2 and W3 are eligible to apply.

[Read information on how to apply](#)

Circle U. Call: Apply for "Interdisciplinary Thematic Research Networks" for Principal Investigators by 31 May

Principal Investigators from Circle U. universities can now apply for the Circle U. Interdisciplinary Thematic Research Networks (ITRN). These are initiatives involving researchers from at least three different Circle U. member institutions, with the aim of exploring new areas of research and initiating interdisciplinary partnerships between researchers from Circle U. universities and stakeholders.

[Read information about the call on the intranet](#)

Tag der Lehre: Stage for creative ideas from students and lecturers

What characterises good teaching? What framework conditions does it need? What do students and teachers want? At this year's tag der Lehre at Humboldt-Universität on 26 April in the Grimm Zentrum, the focus was on the development of the teaching model. There was much discussion. The highlight of the day was the presentation of the Award for Good Teaching 2022 to doctoral student Azakhiwe Z. Nocanda.

[Read the follow-up report on the intranet](#)

Announcement: Marthe Vogt Award 2023 for Young Women Scientists

Since 2001, the Berlin Research Association has awarded the Marthe Vogt Prize to a young female researcher for an outstanding dissertation. The award is endowed with 3,000 euros and honours special achievements by young female academics. In this way, the Forschungsverbund Berlin would like to contribute to giving new impetus to research activity and to increasing the proportion of outstanding female academics in science and research. The deadline for this year's call is 31 May.

[View call for proposals](#)

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