

Staying in Germany! Professional Perspectives, Funding and the Legal Framework in Germany (13 November 2025) - Timetable

Module 1	Info-Session: Why Not START (It) UP? Navigating Self-Employment in Münster
4:00 pm	Moderated exchange on taxation and health insurance for self-employed researchers with Clarissa C. Wernicke, Tax Advisor and Benjamin Hennig, TK - Die Techniker
Module 2	Your future in Germany: Careers in- and outside Academia
5:00 pm	Welcome address – Maria Homeyer, Head Dept. Researchers & Staff (International Office)
5:05 pm	Dept. Researchers & Staff: International research marketing, incoming support and cooperation with HR – Audrey Busch, Advisor Int. Researchers, Welcome Centre
5:15 pm	Münster Centre for Emerging Researchers (CERes): Train – Advise – Connect Sabine Schneider, International Affairs & Networking
5:25 pm	SAFIR: Support with Acquiring Funding for (Inter)national Research Dr Christine Schmidt, Research Funding Consultant
5:35 pm	Careers in Academia – Prof Dr Martin Wild, Coordinator CiM-IMPRS Graduate Program
5:45 pm	Federal Employment Agency Support Services – Stefan Rott, Employment Placement Officer, Job Agency Münster
5:55 pm	Q&A Session (eventually in small groups with speakers)
6:05 pm	Break
Module 3	From visa to settlement permit: Mastering Legal Pathways
6:15 pm	Permits of Stay for International researchers from non-EU-countries – Lena-Marie Leise, Officer in Charge of Fundamental Decisions in Immigration Law, Office for Migration and Integration of the City of Münster
6:40 pm	Q&A Session
7:00 pm	Time for networking and question-time with the speakers
7:30 pm	End of the event



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Take Survey on Entrepreneurship for International Researchers

Dear International Researcher,

Have you ever thought about turning your research or ideas into a business? If so, please take our anonymous, **5-minute survey** and share your interest, the obstacles you face, and which services would help most. Your responses will guide the way how we improve advisory and funding support in Münster to meet your needs on this in the future. Find survey via QR code:



We really appreciate your input!

Best,

Katy Krukar

Coordinator internationalFOUNDERS Network

PS: As a thank-you gift you'll have the chance to win one of four **€50** "Münstergutschein" vouchers (redeemable at over 300+ local shops).

The internationalFOUNDERS Network offers specialised advice to international researchers to encourage them to explore the world of start-ups in the vibrant city of Münster. Headed by the Researchers & Staff department of the International Office (Welcome Centre) and in cooperation with the REACH - EUREGIO Start-up Center, the aim is to promote a seamless transition from academia to entrepreneurship. The project places particular emphasis on helping participants launch their own research-based start-ups.