VIRTUAL WEBINAR

BERLIN UNIVERSITY ALLIANCE AND ITS INTERNATIONAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS:

UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE

MARCH 9, 2021
9 – 11:00 AM (CET)
VIA ZOOM

Hosted by Berlin University Alliance in cooperation with the University of Melbourne and the Australian Embassy Germany

Agenda

8:55 am	Waiting room opens
9:00 am	Check-in and general technical introduction

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

9:05 am	Words of Welcome

Prof. Dr.-Ing. Dr. Sabine Kunst (President Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin and Spokesperson Berlin University Alliance)

Prof. Justin Zobel (Pro Vice-Chancellor (Graduate and International Research), University of Melbourne)

Simon Clayton (Deputy Head of Mission, Australian Embassy Germany)

9:15 am	Introduction: MEL-BER – A Strategic Partnership

Aleksandra Laski (Strategic Partnership Manager, Berlin University Alliance)

Dr. Mark Gregory (International Research Strategy Advisor, University of Melbourne)

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

9:30 – 10:00 am	Breakout Session I: "Promoting Talent" – How the Berlin University Alliance supports young scientists

Dr. Julia Härder (Head of Team Promoting Talent, Berlin University Alliance)

Verena Neumann (Program Manager Promoting Talent, Berlin University Alliance)

Facilitator: Dr. Herbert Grieshop (Director International Affairs, Freie Universität Berlin and member of the Steering Committee Internationalization, Berlin University Alliance)

9:30 – 10:00 am	Breakout Session II: Joint PhD Programs - Experiences from Melbourne and Berlin

Prof Sammy Bedoui (Program Director of the Bonn and Melbourne Research and Graduate School in Immunology, University of Melbourne)

Prof. Dr. Peter Bank (Spokesperson of the Berlin-Oxford IRTG 2544 „Stochastic Analysis in Interaction", Technische Universität Berlin)

Facilitator: Dr. Mark Gregory (International Research Strategy Advisor, University of Melbourne) TBC

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10:00 – 10:10	Coffee Break
10:10 – 10:40 am	Breakout Session III: Funding Opportunities in Germany

Dr. Gerrit Schlepper (Programme Officer International Affairs, German Research Foundation / DFG)

Christian Strowa (Head of Scholarship Programmes Asia/Pacific, German Academic Exchange Service / DAAD)

Facilitator: Aleksandra Laski (Strategic Partnership Manager, Berlin University Alliance)

10:10 – 10:40 am	Breakout Session IV: Research Landscape in Australia and Australian-German Research Network

Justin Withers (Director, Access, International and Integrity, Australian Research Council)

Katharina McGrath (Director, DAAD Information Centre Sydney)

Facilitator: Dr. Ulrike Hillemann-Delaney (Director, Office of International Affairs at the Technical University Berlin and member of the Steering Committee Internationalization, Berlin University Alliance)

WRAP-UP

10:40 – 10: 50 am	Anonymous Online Survey (evaluation of the format)
10:50 am	Virtual Farewell

The agenda is open to the wider public. However, a prior registration is necessary. Please note, that you must register in advance for the breakout session you wish to attend. The language of the program is English and there will be no simultaneous translation. The agenda is subject to change.

Registration link: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAocemgrz4uGt1Ptq9S0Xz8_pDWltYKcQgo

After successful registration, you will receive a confirmation email with the link for the zoom meeting. The virtual waiting room opens at 8:55 am (CET). Technical support will be available throughout the event. Please also read the manual for more technical information.

We would be very pleased if you could let us know in advance which aspects of the partnership you are particularly interested in. Please use the Slido application for this purpose: https://app.sli.do/event/fpkzpgya.
You can leave comments, questions etc. there (also anonymously). We will try to respond to them during the event as far as possible.