

# NEWSLETTER No. 33 October 2016

# Membership statistics (record date: 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016)

- Doctoral candidates in total: 414
- 369 doctoral candidates not working within a programme
- 45 doctoral candidates working within one of the incorporated programmes (candidates of the doctoral programme for Theology are listed depending on whether they work within a programme or individually)
- 356 members are doctoral candidates at the Faculty of Humanities.
- 52 members are doctoral candidates at the Faculty of Theology.
- 6 members are scholarship holders or associates of the incorporated programmes or doctoral candidates of the Cotutelle-Procedure but are doctoral candidates at other faculties or universities.
- 110 members do not have German nationality.
- Gender relation: 170 males, 210 females.
- The doctoral candidates ("Junior Members") are supervised by 401 "Senior Members", 210 of which are members of University of Göttingen.

Between 1<sup>st</sup> July and 30<sup>th</sup> September, no member of the Faculty of Theology finished their doctorate. There are no numbers of the Faculty of Humanities as the examination office could not provide any due to understaffing.

## Grants and allowances for doctoral candidates and postdocs (July to September 2016)

- 4 Exposé-grants covering altogether 8 months (€ 9,600 in total)
- 9 Completion-grants covering altogether 22 months (€ 29,700 in total)
- 1 Postdoc stipend covering 3 months (€ 4,197 in total)
- 14 allowances for conference trips (€ 5,407.52 in total)
- 5 allowances for research trips (€ 7,012.09 in total)
- · 2 allowances for co-financing self-organised conferences (€ 1,601.64 in total)
- 3 printing cost allowances for publishing the dissertation (€ 5,250 in total)

Small travel grants between 1<sup>st</sup> July and 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016: € 1,621.38

Overall amount of funding: € 62,768.25

# 1. "Tag der GSGG" on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2016

On Thursday,  $3^{rd}$  November 2016, the <u>"Tag der GSGG"</u> will be held. From 9.30am to 1.15pm, doctoral students will present their projects within the framework of "Geisteswissenschaftliche Einblicke". For the first time this year we will award a Best-Poster-Prize amounting to  $\leq 100 -$  the audience is going to decide on the winner!

In the course of the festive event starting at 6pm in the conference and event hall Alte Mensa am Wilhelmsplatz, the "Christian-Gottlob-Heyne-Preis" will be awarded for the best dissertation in the humanities of the past academic year. We would like to congratulate this year's award winner **Philipp Kufferath** (Medieval and Modern History) for his dissertation on the topic "Peter von Oertzen (1924-2008). Eine politische und intellektuelle Biographie".

For the first time this year we published the shortlist of the nominees for the Christian-Gottlob-Heyne-Preis. This way we would like to emphasize that the winning dissertation was chosen from a multitude of excellent dissertations. Aside from Philipp Kufferath this year's nominees were:

- Jan-Heinrich Bunnefeld (Pre- and Early History) for his dissertation on "Älterbronzezeitliche Vollgriffschwerter in Dänemark und Schleswig-Holstein. Studien zu Form, Verzierung, Technik und Funktion"
- Catharina Keßler (Cultural Anthropology/European Ethnology) for her dissertation on "Doing School: Ethnographie eines evangelischen Gymnasiums als Beitrag zur empirischen Schulkulturforschung"
- **Thomas Kuhn-Treichel** (Latin Philology) for his dissertation on "Die Alethia des Claudius Marius Victorius: Bibeldichtung zwischen Epos und Lehrgedicht"

# 2. Events organised by members of GSGG

The following events are organised by members of GSGG. The events are open to public – if you are interested, you are welcome to participate!

# Genderlabor

In winter semester 2016/17, the Genderlabor will take place for the third time, this year with the main focus on the topic "Körpermodifikationen" ("body modifications"). The Genderlabor is a cooperation of GSGG, the Göttingen Centre for Genderstudies (GCG) and the Göttingen Graduate School of Social Sciences (GGG). It gives Masters students, PhD students and Postdocs the opportunity to present and discuss their research projects. Additionally, since summer semester 2016 there has been the theoretical-methodological workshop "Situiertes Wissen – Theorie, Methodologie, Empirie", now with a workshop on research in and about the internet on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

There will also be the documentary film "Vulva 3.0 – Zwischen Tabu und Tuning" as well as two speeches held in English, about biotechnology and parenthood in Israel and affirmative action in South Africa.

The Genderlabor will start on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2016 on 6pm with a talk with Elin Halvorsen (Berlin) about her documentary film project "Haarkleid" on the topic "Weibliche Körperbehaarung – ein

unsichtbares Tabu"? ("Female body hair – an invisible taboo?") in the event room of GSGG (Friedländer Weg 2, ground floor). For the full programme please click <u>here</u>.

#### 3. Courses

#### a) Hetairos-Programme

On 15<sup>th</sup> December 2016, the application deadline will end for doctoral candidates who would like to participate in <u>Hetairos-Programme</u> together with an experienced teacher as a teaching team in summer semester 2017. Considering the experiences of the previous rounds, the board has decided on a few small modifications so as to conduct the (cost- and labour-intensive) programme in an expedient manner: As of now, doctoral candidates commit themselves with their application to participate in all Hetairos events. In the event of illness, a medical certificate must be presented. For doctoral candidates who are university employees, the superiors must declare their consent in written form to release the employee for Hetairos events. Furthermore, the programme can only be conducted with six or more teaching teams participating. From next year on, teaching teams can apply in all application rounds: until 15<sup>th</sup> March/15<sup>th</sup> June for the round in the following winter semester; until 15<sup>th</sup> September/15<sup>th</sup> December for the round in the following summer semester.

# b) Fourth round of the Mentoring programme "WeWiMento – Wege ins Wissenschaftsmanagement"

In recent years, scientific management has become an attractive and diverse field of activity for postgraduate academics. However, it is not always obvious which different organisational units this working field includes and which tasks people managing science have to fulfil. The mentoring programme WeWiMento aims at supporting graduating and already graduated academics to get an insight into the broad field of managing science and to prepare for an activity in this field. Application deadline is 15<sup>th</sup> November 2016. The programme starts in February 2017, the duration is one year. If you are interested, please visit the above <u>website</u> or contact Dr. Vera Bissinger (Zentrale Koordination Mentoring) or the central office of GSGG.

## 4. Notifications by the PhD delegates

The lack of office spaces close to the campus continues to be a problem especially for individual doctoral candidates. To address this issue, the SUB (in cooperation with a group of doctoral students) has set up 57 cabins for long term use for doctoral students which were opened on 6<sup>th</sup> October. For more information and to book a cabin please click <u>here</u>.

**Save the date:** On 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017 (9:30-11:00), there will be an **information seminar with the Göttingen employment agency**. The aim of this seminar is to initiate exchange between doctoral researchers and agency staff and to clarify lines of communication. More information will be provided soon via the doc-mailing list and the GSGG website. The information seminar will be held in German.

## 5. Particulars

Since 4<sup>th</sup> October 2016, Aleksandra Bovt is on maternity leave followed by parental leave. We wish her all the best for this special time! Nele Hoffmann will consult international PhDs. Anna Stuhldreher (previously head office of the Leibniz Association, Berlin) will stand in for Aleksandra, she is now responsible for the Postdocs and the Early Career Research Groups.

## 6. Course offer of GSGG (November 2016)

11<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> November "Schreibwerkstatt IV – Publizieren während und nach der Promotion"

With best wishes and kind regards The GSGG team

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