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**SCHOLARS AT RISK**  
NETWORK  GERMANY SECTION

## Programme

# Forum for Academic Freedom by the Alliance of Science Organisations in Germany

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Supporting the Career Development of Researchers at Risk

18 – 19 March 2019, Berlin

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# Welcome

## Dear guests,

On behalf of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to the **2019 Forum for Academic Freedom**. Convened in cooperation with the Alliance of Science Organisations in Germany and the Scholars at Risk Germany Section, the Forum brings 250 participants from over 20 countries to Berlin to discuss the state of academic freedom in various regions of the world, foster exchange among and about scholar rescue programmes, and examine the imposing challenge of re-building sustainable perspectives for scholars who were forced from their laboratories, their desks, their homes.

At the same time, this Forum is the launch of a multi-event campaign, in which the Alliance of Science Organisations in Germany will celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Basic Law for the Federal Republic of Germany with a sequence of events. I am particularly proud that the governments of France and Germany will take this opportunity to re-confirm their joint commitment to protect the freedom of academic pursuit, and the freedom of the people who have dedicated themselves to that pursuit.

I cannot help but find it fitting that all this should take place under the name Alexander von Humboldt, an ingenious scholar, true humanist, and powerful proponent of freedom, whose legacy is recognised across the globe this year, which would have seen his 250th birthday.



**Prof. Dr. Hans-Christian Pape**  
**President**  
**Alexander von Humboldt Foundation**

# Alliance of Science Organisations in Germany

The Alliance of Science Organisations is a coalition of the most important public research performing and funding organisations in Germany. It issues statements relating to research policy and funding and the structural development of the German research system.



The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation awards fellowships and research awards to outstanding researchers and fosters cooperation between foreign and German academics, strengthening the German research landscape through international exchange. Through the Philipp Schwartz Initiative, the Foundation provides universities and research institutions in Germany with the means to host at-risk researchers for a period of 24 months on a fully funded research fellowship.

## DAAD

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) is the world's largest funding organisation for the international exchange of students and researchers. Since it was founded in 1925, around two million scholars in Germany and abroad have received DAAD funding. It is a registered association and its members are German institutions of higher education and student bodies.



The German Research Foundation (DFG) is the self-governing organisation for science and research in Germany. It serves all branches of science and the humanities. In organisational terms, the DFG is an association under private law. Its membership consists of German research universities, non-university research institutions, scientific associations and the Academies of Science and the Humanities.



Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft is Europe's largest application-oriented research organisation. Our research efforts are geared entirely to people's needs: health, security, communication, energy and the environment. As a result, the work undertaken by our researchers and developers has a significant impact on people's lives.



The Helmholtz Association pursues the long-term research goals of the state and society, including basic research, in scientific autonomy. To do this, the Helmholtz Association conducts top-level research to identify and explore the major challenges facing society, science and the economy.

## HRK

The German Rectors' Conference (HRK) is the association of public and government-recognised universities in Germany. The member institutions are represented in the HRK by their executive boards and rectorates. The HRK currently has 268 member institutions, in which around 94 per cent of all students in Germany are enrolled.



The Leibniz Association connects 93 independent research institutions that range in focus from the natural, engineering and environmental sciences via economics, spatial and social sciences to the humanities. Leibniz Institutes address issues of social, economic and ecological relevance. They conduct knowledge-driven and applied basic research, maintain scientific infrastructure and provide research-based services.



The Deutsche Akademie der Naturforscher Leopoldina has been the German National Academy of Sciences since 2008. It addresses key issues of particular significance for the future of society from a scientific perspective and independently of economic or political interests, shares its findings with policymakers and the public and puts these issues up for discussion on a national and international level.



The Max Planck Society is Germany's most successful research organisation. Since its establishment in 1948, no fewer than 18 Nobel laureates have emerged from the ranks of its scientists, putting it on a par with the best and most prestigious research institutions worldwide. The more than 15,000 publications each year in internationally renowned scientific journals are proof of the outstanding research work conducted at Max Planck Institutes – and many of those articles are among the most-cited publications in the relevant field.



The German Council of Science and Humanities (Wissenschaftsrat) provides advice to the German Federal Government and the State (Länder) Governments on the structure and development of higher education and research.

# Agenda

Whenever political strife or armed conflict lead to a surge in forced migration, critical thinkers such as scientists and scholars are often among the first to be displaced, as the victims of armed conflict or as the targets of authoritarian regimes. Many have since come to Germany and found temporary shelter, in the context of the Philipp Schwartz Initiative of the Humboldt Foundation or through other programmes. However, challenges remain, centering around the question of how to transition from what are usually temporary positions relating to a situation of risk into a regular job market; in academia and beyond, in Germany or elsewhere. This event brings together the expertise of all major public research performing and research funding organisations in Germany – spearheaded by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation in the context of the Philipp Schwartz Initiative. It will provide targeted information and networking opportunities for persons who have had to flee their countries and are now in need of planning their next career steps. It will also provide an opportunity for networking and learning for host institutions and other stakeholders.

# Supported by

The event is a constituent part of the Philipp Schwartz Initiative of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation and the German Federal Foreign Office: [www.philipp-schwartz-initiative.de](http://www.philipp-schwartz-initiative.de). The initiative and this event have been made possible through the generous support of the following organisations:



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# Conference Venue

## Cafe Moskau

The main venue for this year's Forum for Academic Freedom is Cafe Moskau on Karl-Marx-Allee, in the former East Berlin. The Cafe was the centerpiece of the first socialist residential complex, built in East Berlin from 1961-1964. It served as one of seven international restaurants and was meant to symbolise the fraternal relations between the German Democratic Republic and the Soviet Union.

In addition to a restaurant serving traditional Russian cuisine, the building also included a coffee bar, a shop selling luxury souvenirs from the Soviet Union, and a late night bar in the basement. Among the patrons of Cafe Moskau at the time were not only members of the communist political establishment but also black-market dealers and spies.

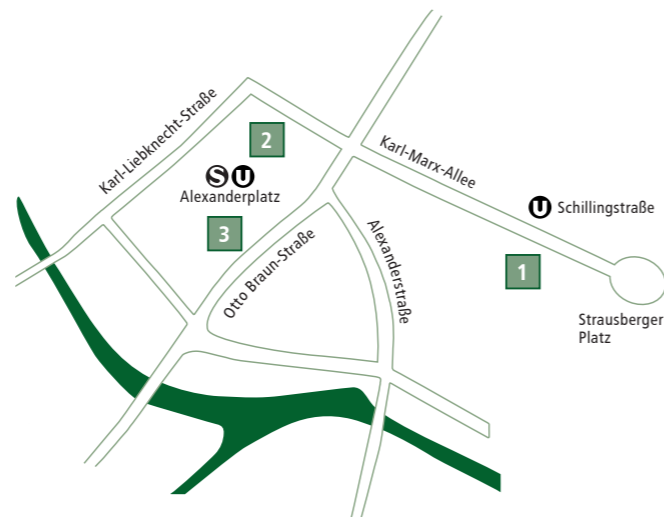
In the 1980s, the building underwent major refurbishments. After German unification, it remained empty for several years until the end of the millennium. In the early 2000s, it was Berlin's world-famous underground party scene that gave the building a new lease of life for several years. Finally, in 2007, an investor bought the venue and rebuilt it into an event location and conference center.

Many of the original features of the building from the 1960s have been preserved. One of the most striking ones is the life-size model of the Sputnik satellite above the main entrance. Also at the entrance, visitors are greeted by a mosaic depicting the "Life of the peoples of the Soviet Union". It was added to the facade in 1964 by the artist Bert Heller.



Cafe Moskau

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## Conference Coordination

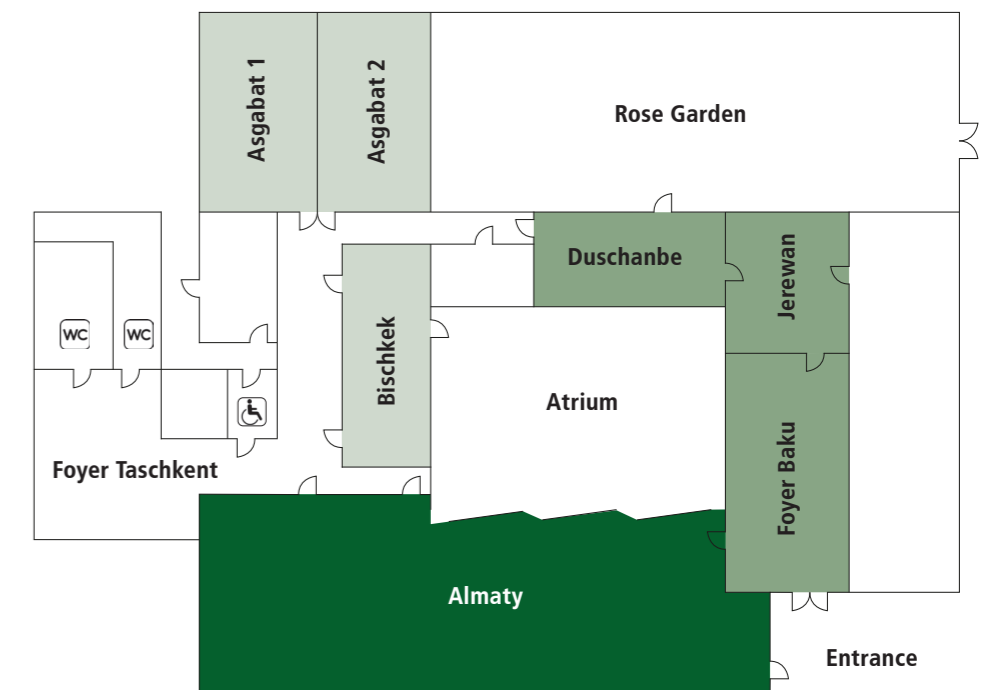
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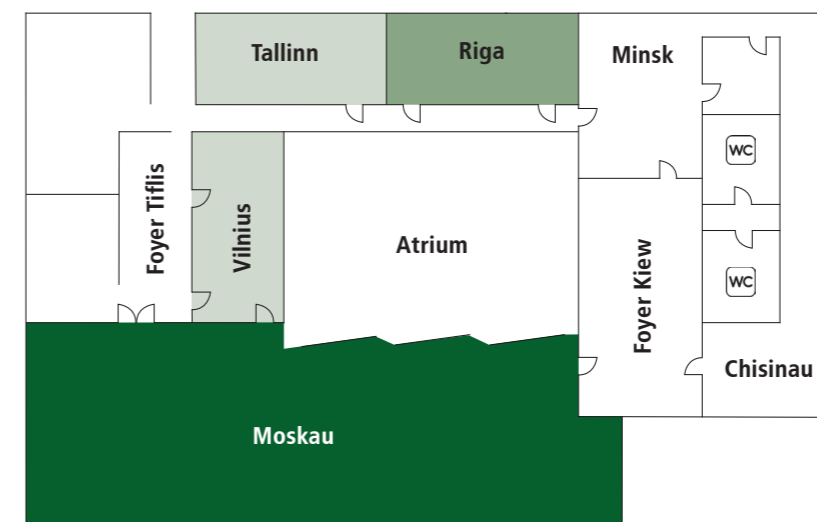
## Ground Floor

- Foyer Baku**  
Registration
- Jerewan**  
Suitcase storage
- Duschanbe**  
Childcare
- Almaty**  
Lunch  
Coffee break  
CONNECT



## Upper Floor

- Riga**  
Quiet Working Space
- Moskau**  
Plenaries and Dinner



# Programme

Monday, 18 March 2019

## Pre-Conference Networking and Meetings (by invitation only)

	<b>For All Participants</b>
from 8:30 a.m.	Registration <b>Foyer Baku</b>
	<b>For Scholars</b>
9:00 a.m.	Workshop with the Scholars at Risk Network <b>Asgabat 1 + 2</b>
	<b>For Scholar Rescue Programme Strategists</b>
9:00 a.m.	Scholars in Exile Meeting <b>Tallinn</b>
	<b>For SAR Germany Member Institution Staff</b>
12:00 p.m.	General Assembly Scholars at Risk Germany Section <b>Asgabat 1+2</b>

## Forum

	<b>For all participants</b>
from 11:30 a.m.	Registration and Networking Lunch <b>Foyer Baku, Almaty</b>
2:00 p.m.	<p><b>Conference Opening</b> <b>Moskau</b></p> <p>Introduction: Dr. Judith Wellen, Director, Strategy and External Relations Department, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation</p> <p>Welcome: Prof. Dr. Hans-Christian Pape, President, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation</p> <p>Opening Remarks: German-French Perspectives on Academic Freedom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Michelle Müntefering, Minister of State for International Cultural Policy at the Federal Foreign Office</li> <li>H. E. Anne-Marie Descôtes, Ambassador of France to Germany</li> </ul>
2:45 p.m.	<p><b>Keynote: On Academic Freedom</b> <b>Moskau</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prof. Dr. Norbert Frei, Jena Center for 20th Century History, University of Jena</li> </ul>
3:15 p.m.	<p><b>Plenary: Successful Transitions</b> <b>Moskau</b></p>

- Prof. Dr. Nazan Maksudyan, Centre Marc Bloch, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin and Friedrich-Meinecke-Institut, Freie Universität Berlin
- Dr. Ergün Özgür, Leibniz-Zentrum Moderner Orient (ZMO)
- Stephen Wordsworth, Executive Director, Council for At-Risk Academics (CARA)
- Robert Quinn, Executive Director, Scholars at Risk Network (SAR)
- Emily Borzcik, Acting Director, Scholar Rescue Fund (IIE-SRF)
- Laura Lohéac, Executive Director PAUSE, Collège de France
- Dr. Enno Aufderheide, Secretary General, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

Moderator: Dr. Barbara Sheldon, Managing Director Philipp Schwartz Initiative, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation

4:30 p.m.

**Coffee Break** **Almaty**

**For Scholars**

**Working towards Transitions**

**A: Planning Your Career and Developing Opportunities** **Bischkek**

Assessing your potential, exploring opportunities, being open to different options and taking advantage of coaching is essential for successful career planning. What are important aspects? Where can you turn to for advice?

- Dr. Christiane Haupt, Max Planck Society
- Dr. Korinna Strobel, Helmholtz Association

**B: Turning an Idea into a Job** **Tallinn**

Some ideas and research results have the potential of being applied in industrial, entrepreneurial, consulting or other contexts. How can you assess your idea's potential? Where can you turn to for advice? What are important steps you need to take?

- Dr. Anke Soemer, Fraunhofer
- Dr. Carsten Hucho, Paul Drude Institute, Leibniz Association
- Dr. Rainer Döhl-Oelze, Geesthacht Innovation and Technology Center

**C: Applying for Funding** **Asgabat 2**

Major research funding organisations across Germany and the EU offer opportunities for at-risk scholars, in addition to regular funding that is available to any scientists and scholars who qualify. What are the options? What is crucial when applying?

- Dr. Myriam Poll, German Research Foundation (DFG)
- Dr. Hanna Wielandt, Volkswagen Foundation
- Dr. Marion Müller, Einstein Foundation
- Victoria Reichl, European Liaison Office of the German Research Organisations (KoWi)

**D: Understanding the German Research System** **Vilnius**

The German research landscape is characterised by many different types of research institutions and many different funders. What are the key points to know in order to find your way around?

Speakers:

- Anne Knab, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)
- Dr. Gordon Bölling, German Rectors' Conference (HRK)

**For Host Institution Staff**

**E: Knowledge Sharing** **Asgabat 1**

Host institution staff will have the opportunity to share their experience on providing support to at-risk scholars.

- Dr. Petra Roth, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology
- Dr. Johannes Müller, University of Cologne

5:00 p.m.

**For all participants**

6:30 p.m.

**Dinner** **Moskau**

Dinner speech: Robert Quinn, Executive Director, Scholars at Risk Network

Tuesday, 19 March 2019

## Forum

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	Monday's parallel sessions A to D will be repeated, allowing participants to attend a different session.				
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9:00 a.m.	<b>E: Administering the Philipp Schwartz Initiative</b> <b>Asgabat 1</b> Host institution staff are invited to discuss administrative aspects, such as the composition of stipends or "proof of usage" (Verwendungsnachweise) Moderators: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Frank Albrecht, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation</li> <li>• Dr. Nina Marsh, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation</li> </ul>				

For All Participants	
10:30 a.m.	<b>CONNECT: Information and Networking Space</b> <b>Almaty</b> An opportunity for scholars, representative of host institutions, and representatives of research funding and research performing organisations to meet for individual conversations or to exchange information and experiences.
11:30 a.m.	<b>Plenary: Regional Perspectives on Academic Freedom</b> <b>Moskau</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• China: Dr. Katrin Kinzelbach, Associate Director, Global Public Policy Institute Berlin</li> <li>• India: Prof. Dr. Vandana Joshi, Associate Professor of Modern History, Sri Venkateswara College, University of Delhi</li> <li>• Latin America: Prof. Dr. Günther Maihold, Deputy Director, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP)</li> </ul> Moderator: Prof. Dr. Silvia von Steinsdorff, Comparative Political Science and the Political Systems of Eastern Europe, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
12:30 p.m.	<b>Keynote: Academic Freedom Index: A Tool to Promote Academic Freedom?</b> <b>Moskau</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Katrin Kinzelbach, Associate Director, Global Public Policy Institute Berlin</li> </ul>
12:50 p.m.	<b>Closing Remarks</b> <b>Moskau</b>
1:00 p.m.	<b>Networking Lunch</b> <b>Almaty</b>

## Post-Conference Networking and Meetings (by invitation only)

For SAR Germany Steering Group Members	
1:30 p.m.	<b>SAR Germany Steering Group Meeting</b> <b>Tallinn</b> Reflection on the event and potential next steps
For SAR International Advisory Committee Members	
2:30 p.m.	<b>SAR IAC Meeting</b> <b>Riga</b>

## Opening Remarks



**MICHELLE MÜNTEFERING**

Minister of State  
for International Cultural Policy  
at the Federal Foreign Office



**ANNE-MARIE DESCÔTES**

Ambassador of France to Germany

## Speakers



**GORDON BÖLLING**

Dr. Gordon Bölling is head of section in the International Department of the German Rectors' Conference (Hochschulrektorenkonferenz / HRK). He is responsible for university relations to such countries as the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, the Nordic Countries, and Turkey. In addition, his work focuses on the internationalization of curricula and on issues of academic freedom. Gordon Bölling holds a doctorate in English philology from the University of Cologne.



**EMILY BORZCIK**

Emily Borzcik is the Acting Director of the Institute of International Education's Scholar Rescue Fund (IIE-SRF), where she oversees the administration of the IIE-SRF program, including applicant vetting, scholar placements, and the monitoring of all IIE-SRF fellowship appointments, and manages IIE-SRF's institutional partnerships. She holds a B.A. in Social Welfare and Scandinavian Studies from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and an M.A. in International Education from New York University. Prior to joining IIE-SRF, Ms. Borzcik served with the Peace Corps in Armenia and worked in the Republic of Georgia.



**RAINER DÖHL-OELZE**

Dr. Rainer Döhl-Oelze is managing director of the Geesthacht Innovation and Technology Center. He assists young researchers and technicians from the nearby Helmholtz Center in developing business plans for their own companies. With a Ph.D. in physics, he was a Feodor Lynen Research Fellow of the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation at the University of Washington in Seattle and worked as Technology Consultant in a project managing agency for the Federal Ministry of Education and Research, before establishing Technology and Innovation Centers across Germany. He advises on preparing business plans, supports the founding process and provides infrastructure to start-up companies. He is board member of the Northern German Initiative of Nanotechnology and of the Association of Technology Centers in the state of Schleswig-Holstein, maintaining networks across science and business.



**CHRISTIANE HAUPT**

Dr. Christiane Haupt is in charge of Postdoc and Group Leader programmes within the Human Resources Development & Opportunities Department at the headquarters of the Max Planck Society. Previously, she was a programme manager for the Talent Factory at Technische Universität München, where she also held positions in strategy and communications. She holds a PhD in Chinese Studies.



**NORBERT FREI**

Prof. Dr. Norbert Frei obtained his doctoral degree from the University of Munich in 1979. After many years as a researcher at the Institute for Contemporary History in Munich, he received a Chair for Modern History at the Ruhr-Universität Bochum in 1997. Since 2005 he teaches in the same function at the Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, where he is also the director of the Jena Center 20th Century History. He was a Kennedy Fellow at Harvard University, a Fellow at the Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin and a Member of the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton. He also served as the 2010/11 Theodor Heuss Professor at the New School for Social Research, New York. Next spring, he will be teaching as a Guest Professor at Stanford University.

Some of his numerous books have been translated into English, such as "National Socialist Rule in Germany. The Führer State 1933-1945" (1993) and "Adenauer's Germany and the Nazi Past. The Politics of Amnesty and Integration" (2002). Most recently, he is co-author of "Zur rechten Zeit. Wider die Rückkehr des Nationalismus" (2019).



**CARSTEN HUCHO**

Dr. Carsten Hucho studied physics in Berlin and Augsburg. As a postdoc he worked on ultrasonic investigations of phase-transitions in Milwaukee, WI (USA), and led research on magnetic vortices as well as crystal-growth of Vanadium oxides at the Paul-Drude-Institut in Berlin, where he is head of the department Technology and Transfer as well as scientific-administrative coordinator. Carsten Hucho is convinced that science is part of our culture and as such deserves high visibility in society. His activities include the establishment of a science-façade, the kick-off of the science-festival "STATE" (together with Christian Rauch), articles about science and society, panel-discussions across disciplines, and the realisation of art-science-interventions. As one speaker of the working-group for knowledge transfer of the Leibniz-Gemeinschaft, he promotes a broad approach to foster scientific knowledge within society.

**VANDANA JOSHI**

Prof. Dr. Vandana Joshi is an Associate Professor of Modern History at Sri Venkateswara College, University of Delhi. She completed her doctorate in 2001 as a DAAD research fellow at Technische Universität Berlin. Her other fellowships and awards include an Erasmus Mundus distinguished visiting scholarship, a Max Planck Research Fellowship, a Charles Wallace India Trust Grant, and a Fraenkel Prize in Contemporary History for her dissertation. She has published a monograph, numerous journal articles and book chapters, and edited two books and one online journal. She serves on the advisory board of a DFG-funded long-term research project that aims to digitise German archival collections related to modern India, jointly undertaken by Prof. Michael Mann at Humboldt Universität zu Berlin, Dr. Heike Liebau at Leibniz Zentrum Moderner Orient, and Prof. Ravi Ahuja at the University of Göttingen. She is the editor-in-charge of 'global history' for *Cultural and Social History*, a UK-based peer reviewed journal.

**KATRIN KINZELBACH**

Dr. Katrin Kinzelbach is the associate director of the Global Public Policy Institute (GPPI), an independent think tank in Berlin. She also teaches human rights politics at Central European University in Budapest, where she is a visiting professor at the School of Public Policy. Her current research focuses on political persecution and on academic freedom.

For her dissertation on the EU-China human rights dialogue, Katrin Kinzelbach received the Körber Foundation's Deutscher Studienpreis, which honors outstanding Ph.D. research of particular value to society. She previously worked for the Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Human Rights in Vienna, Austria, and for the United Nations at various duty stations around the world.

**ANNE KNAB**

Anne Knab is leader of the events team within the department of "International Research Marketing" at the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD). She organizes events for the national campaign "Research in Germany", including consultation on Ph.D. and Post-Doc opportunities in Germany. Anne Knab graduated from the University of Bonn in Political Sciences, Sociology and Recent and Modern History. Since 2011, Anne Knab has been in charge of organizing research marketing events for the DAAD, such as Ph.D. matchmaking events, the German presence at international career fairs or online seminars for Ph.D. proposal writing.

**LAURA LOHÉAC**

Laura Lohéac has been the Executive Director of the 'Programme d'Aide à l'Accueil en Urgence des Scientifiques en Exil' (PAUSE) at Collège de France since May 2016. As an expert in international and strategic issues, Laura Lohéac held several positions at the French General Secretariat for National Defence, at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, as the advisor in charge of speeches for the Minister, at the Ministry of Defence, and at the office of the Secretary of State for Higher Education and Research, where she established PAUSE.

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