FIRST DIGITAL GENERAL MEETING

For the first time, we held our general meeting online this year due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Participation was far above average. In the beginning, a little contest was held about who was joining the meeting from furthest away. Continue reading...

“HOW STABLE IS THE US DEMOCRACY?” - QUESTIONS FOR POLITICAL SCIENTIST ANDREW WOLFF FROM DICKINSON COLLEGE

In November, the US presidential election moved people in Germany and around the globe like few others. In the weeks after it, as well as often already during the Donald Trump presidency, many may have had doubts how stable democratic institutions in the US still are. We wanted to know in more detail and spoke to Professor Andrew Wolff, political scientist at Dickinson College, one of the long-term partner universities of the University of Bremen. Continue reading...

2021 - UNIVERSITY OF BREMEN TURNS 50

UNIVERSITY FUND SUPPORTS PROJECTS FOR “50 YEARS OF UNI BREMEN”

In spring, the University of Bremen called its members to get involved with their own project in one of the programs in the anniversary year in 2021 that reflects the university and its multiple facets. The project is supposed to cover these questions: Where do we stand; where do we want to go; where do we come from? The response was stunning. 24 projects have been selected from 74 proposals. Some of the projects such as the video project “Uni - then and now” explicitly focus on the beginnings of the university and its protagonists. If you can provide any input in this area, please contact us at alumni@uni-bremen.de
COVID-19 AS A RESEARCH TOPIC

Since the beginning of the year, the pandemic has a firm grasp on all parts of life. The University of Bremen, too, was forced to stop its regular teaching and research activities. At the same time, scientists from many different fields have addressed Covid-19 and its implications over the past several months. The university magazine up2date.online has pooled these research activities – with an impressive result. Continue reading...

ALUMNI WANTED – CAREER CAMP 2021

How can I start my career? What soft skills are necessary in order to be successful on the job market in my professional field? How do I best apply, or are there other ways of finding the perfect job for me? The Career Camp 2021 is supposed to answer these questions. It will be a mega event hosted by three departments – interdisciplinary, internationally, and unprecedented at the university. And right on time for the 50th anniversary. The organizers think it important to integrate as many alumni and their knowhow as possible into the format. How? Find out here..

INTERNATIONAL

DAAD PRIZE FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS

This year’s DAAD prize for outstanding achievements of international students studying at German universities goes to Sanaz Sadat Afzali from Iran, student of the Communication and Information Technology Master – who is a real allrounder. Continue reading...

CAMPUS TOUR THROUGH EUROPE: YUFE ACADEMY

How does a European University feel? YUFE Academy is supposed to give a first impression of that in a series of
online events by the ten universities involved in this EU project. Main topic this year: European identity and responsibility in a global world. The University of Bremen was prominently involved with a quite critical view on Europe. Continue reading…

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SUPER DIVERSITY IN GRÖPELINGEN

Respect! The things that the association ‘Kultur vor Ort’ (KvO – Culture on Site) gets going on the old dockland in Bremen is quite remarkable. That was the impression by all participants of the online event in October, which we held together with our alumnus and KvO chair Dr. Lutz Liffers. The association has been active since 1998 and its work has been accompanied by a scientific study at the University of Bremen. Continue reading…

LIBRI PROHIBITI – GLOBALE° 2020 CONFERENCE

“Banned books and censorship” was the thematic focus of the ‘globale° 2020 – Festival for cross-border literature.’ Its opening was a conference held at the bremer shakespeare company on October 30. The cooperation between festival, university, and Alumni der Universität Bremen e. V. has once more proven to be a successful one. Far less delightful was, however, what the speakers had to report. Continue reading…

FLASHNEWS

BREMEN CLIMATE SCIENTIST RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS LEIBNIZ PRIZE 2021

Highest award for climate research: Professor Veronika Eyring from the Department of Physics/Electrical Engineering at the University of Bremen and DLR receives the Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz Prize 2021 from the German Research Foundation (DFG) for her outstanding work in the field of climate modelling. The most prestigious German science prize is endowed with 2.5 million euros.
With her research, Veronika Eyring has made a significant contribution to improving the understanding and accuracy of climate predictions through process-oriented modelling and model evaluation. Read more (German only)

**NATURE INDEX: EARTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES IN TOP POSITION**

Once again, the University of Bremen demonstrates its research strength by achieving a very good position in one of the most important scientific rankings. In addition to research organisations operating nationwide, only two universities - the Universities of Bayreuth and Bremen - are among the top five. The ranking assesses which research institutions are among the most published in the natural and life sciences. Read more (German only)

**MILLION FUNDING FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH**

The University of Bremen is successfully involved in two collaborative research centres funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG). Joint research with the universities of Hamburg and Rostock on "Energy Transmission in the Atmosphere and Ocean" will be funded for a further four years. In a second project, ZARM (Centre for Applied Space Technology and Microgravity) is receiving funding to develop new sensors and measuring techniques for gravimetric earth observation together with the University of Hannover. Read more (German only)

**PREVENTING CHILDHOOD OBESITY - RESEARCH PROJECT GROWTH**

At present, public attention is rightly focused on the COVID 19 pandemic and its often fatal consequences. But: most people in Germany still die from diseases such as diabetes, heart attacks or strokes. They are all related to overweight. A new research project at BIPS (Leibniz Institute for Prevention Research and Epidemiology) aims to find out how obesity can be prevented in childhood. It is based on similar research in Canada and is the result of strategic cooperation between the universities of Bremen and Guelph (Ontario, Canada). Read more (German only)