



## Frankfurt UAS International Newsletter

[www.frankfurt-university.de/en](http://www.frankfurt-university.de/en) | 01/2023

Welcome to our new edition of the Frankfurt UAS International Newsletter! This time you will get to know more about our international research projects and collaborations (e.g., about our joint publication with KNUST in Ghana). We would also like you to make a note of the [EMES Conference](#), which will be held at our university in September. If you want to read more about our EU research projects, please click [here](#).

---

### RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

#### International Research Network Created

Middle-Class Mass Housing (MCMH) has been insufficiently addressed in urban and architectural research in general; there is still a lack of comparative analyses in a global context, for example. To advance research in this field, the COST Action (CA18137) "European Middle-Class Mass Housing" (MCMH-EU) was initiated. Coordinated by the University Institute of Lisbon, researchers from a total of 73 European research institutions developed a network to jointly address the pressing questions on MCMH. The COST Action, which included Prof. Dr. Maren Harnack, professor of urban planning at Frankfurt UAS, will end in April 2023 with a final meeting in Frankfurt. [Read more](#)



---

#### Important contribution to prison health policy

Prof. Dr. Heino Stöver, Faculty of Social Work & Health, has been part of the steering group of the World Health Organization (WHO) (Europe) for the Health in Prisons Programme (HIPP) since summer 2022. As a member of the advisory board, the executive director of the Frankfurt Institute for Addiction Research (ISFF) has been helping to shape WHO policy in health and prisons ever since. In February 2023, the members of the steering group, representatives of international non-governmental organizations, met in Lisbon/Portugal for the launch of the "WHO Status Report on Prison Health in the WHO Region 2022". [Read more](#)





### Accessibility for all

All around the world, there are many physical, technological and social hurdles that hinder an equal participation and access to education, health and the job market. Children and young people with disabilities are one of the most disadvantaged groups in this regard.

Guaranteeing an unrestricted access, specially to vocational schools, is an important milestone to achieve inclusion. The newly published guideline “Inclusive Architectural Design Concepts and Strategies for Technical Vocational Education Training” establishes how to create inclusive, accessible vocational schools in Ghana. It was developed by the Frankfurt UAS and the Kwame Nkrumah University of Sciences and Technology (KNUST) in Kumasi, Ghana, together with the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ). [Read more](#)

---

## TEACHING AND LEARNING

### Important milestones for STEPS-A

Numerous people from Afghanistan had to be evacuated due to the takeover of power by the Taliban in Kabul. In the program “STEPS-A: Integration of people with refugee and migration experience in social work fields” people, who formerly worked as legal and psychosocial counselors in their home country, have been able to acquire an academic post-qualification in the field of social work and health at Frankfurt UAS. On March 20, 2023, Angela Dorn, Hesse's Minister of Science and the Arts, presented around 30 participants in the program with certificates for having passed their German language course and successfully completed the “Law for Social Work” course. [Read more](#)



### Project U!REKA Lab: Urban Commons receives recognition

Especially in urban centers, more and more people are gathering in so-called urban commons initiatives that address a wide variety of urban issues and problems and seek solutions. These social initiatives are also called urban commons movements. The international and interdisciplinary project U!REKA Lab: Urban Commons investigates how well these initiatives really work. For their commitment around the Lab, teachers Angelika Plümmer and Petra Schwerdtner, Raul Gschrey and Jutta Stocksiefen, as well as Anna Bolender, student tutor, received a recognition awarded by the Hessian Ministry of Science and the Arts (HMWK). [Read more](#)



---

## Case studies for teaching – made at Frankfurt UAS

Case studies are an excellent way of combining theory and practice. They are also preparing tomorrow's professionals for real issues from the world of work: In workshops, students deal with concrete challenges companies face and independently develop proposals for solutions that can be directly applied in practice. Prof. Dr. Joachim Sandt, Professor of Performance Measurement and Management Control, Faculty 3: Business and Law of Frankfurt UAS, has developed four case studies that are offered worldwide via The Case Centre platform. They can be purchased by academic institutions. [Read more](#)

---



## International Career Service at Frankfurt UAS

Since the end of 2020, the International Career Service (ICS) of the International Office (IO) at Frankfurt UAS has supported international students and students with migration and refugee backgrounds with their career planning. From the search for a part-time job or internship to the transition into the German labor market, the ICS accompanies students through a significant part of their Student Life Cycle. The service includes individual consultations, application document checks, mock interviews as well as roughly 20 digital workshops per semester covering application and career topics.

[Read more](#)

---

## NEWS AND EVENTS



### "Act locally, change globally"

The world is groaning under increasingly rapid global, social and environmental changes. Social enterprises and cooperatives are challenged to increase their resilience to crises and adaptability, and to demonstrate their social and economic development contributions even in times of instability. Together with the Competence Center for Social Intervention Research (KomSI) at Frankfurt UAS, the international research network Emergence of Social Enterprises (EMES) is hosting the 9th EMES Conference from September 11-14, 2023. The event on the theme "Act locally, change globally" aims to expand the multidisciplinary, methodologically diverse international corpus of theoretical and empirical knowledge on the topics of social enterprises, social entrepreneurship, social economy and solidarity economy and to make it available to the general public. [Read more](#)

---

## 12th International Week at Faculty 3:

### Business and Law

"The International Class": This is the theme of the International Week from 08-10 May 2023 at Faculty 3: Business and Law. It's about thinking internationalization at universities without borders! Online teaching is constantly evolving and opening up new opportunities for universities around the world. Courses, projects with practical case studies and workshops can be jointly designed to take place entirely or partially online. Participants will exchange ideas and develop new approaches together on these forward-looking topics and issues of internationalization, which go beyond the classic model of semesters abroad and student exchanges. In addition to the guests from the partner universities and the faculty, students are also invited to contribute their ideas. [Read more](#)



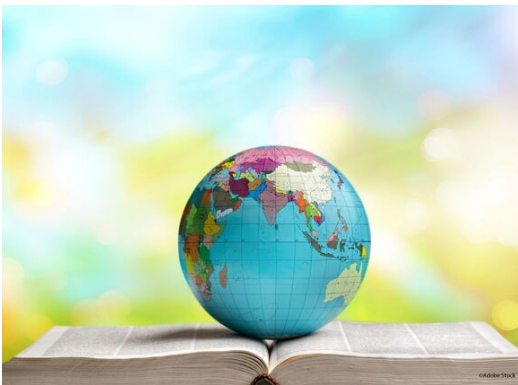
---

## 28th International Week of Faculty 4:

### Social Work & Health

The Faculty of Social Work & Health is looking forward to hosting its 28th International Week from May 8-12th for students and lecturers of Faculty 4. Featuring the topic "Expanding Understanding: Social Work in a Global Context", guest lecturers from all over the world will come to Frankfurt and give lectures during selected regular social work courses, broadly related to the following areas: Exploring international methods & concepts, or local concepts applied in new contexts | Examining examples/case studies of international cooperation & best practice | Postcolonial approaches | Social & environmental justice.

[Read more](#)



## Frankfurt UAS-India connection: the collaboration with the TATA Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, India



Since 2021, the Frankfurt UAS and the TATA Institute of Social Sciences (TISS) collaborate in a DAAD funded project on 'Inequalities within and among countries (IWAAC-10)'. The year 2022 has seen a significant increase in activities and substance. After a year of monthly online meetings, and intensive work on a series of podcasts, visits in person could be recovered. The outlook for 2023 is promising: The joint Erasmus-application is in the making, the next visit of students from the IndAbility-project is in the pipeline, and a retired professor of Frankfurt UAS was shortlisted for an adjunct professorship at TISS. [Read more](#)



## A visit to the financial capital of Europe

In the winter semester, Faculty Business and Law of Frankfurt UAS had the pleasure of welcoming guests from the University College of Northern Denmark (UCN), Aalborg. A group of 70 undergraduate students currently studying Finance and 2 lecturers, Ms. Sara Møller Nielsen and Mr. Anders Bønnelykke Jensen, visited companies in Frankfurt, and received a guest lecture from a representative of the Deutsche Bundesbank. Lectures were also given by two professors from the faculty. [Read more](#)

This newsletter has been forwarded to you, and you wish to receive the Frankfurt UAS International Newsletter regularly?

[Subscribe here](#)

---

## IMPRINT

Frankfurt University of Applied Sciences  
Nibelungenplatz 1, 60318 Frankfurt am Main  
Editor: Friederike Mannig  
Phone: +49 69 1533-3337 – Email: [f.mannig@kom.fra-uas.de](mailto:f.mannig@kom.fra-uas.de)  
[www.frankfurt-university.de/en](http://www.frankfurt-university.de/en)

[Please click here to unsubscribe from the newsletter.](#)