

The FLI former PhD Representative, Tetiana Poliezhaieva, was a co-initiator and a co-organizer to bring the 3rd Annual General Assembly of the Leibniz PhD Network to Jena, supported by the Leibniz Association. To know more about the organizers: <https://leibniz-phd.net/2018/08/22/meet-the-organizers-of-this-years-general-assembly/>.

82 doctoral representatives across Germany visited Jena (September 26-28th, 2018). They were introduced to the vibrant scientific environment of our Leibniz Institute on Aging – Fritz Lipmann Institute (FLI), the Leibniz Institute of Photonic Technology (IPHT) and the Leibniz Institute for Natural Product Research and Infection Biology – Hans Knöll Institute (HKI). Of importance was the talk held by the keynote speaker PD. Dr. Thomas Kleinsorge (Leibniz Research Centre for Working Environment and Human Factors, Dortmund) regarding the issues with mental health during PhD and how to cope with work stress. Moreover, the Scientific Career Development Officer from the Leibniz Association headquarters (Berlin), Dr. Sabrina Mueller, contributed significantly to discussions concerning the current state-of-progress, achievements and new aims of the Leibniz PhD Network.

What made this event unforgettable was the fruitful team work among the different disciplines and institutes with the support of administration, PR offices, PhD students of both FLI and IPHT. Moreover, we are grateful to the Abbe Center of Photonics (ACP) of the Friedrich Schiller University Jena, Studierendenwerk Thuringen, Carl Zeiss Jena GmbH, Botanic Garden Jena, Zeiss-Planetarium Jena and Jena Tourist-Information for providing the venues. To see the assembly's atmosphere: <https://leibniz-phd.net/2018/10/01/this-was-the-3rd-general-assembly-of-the-leibniz-phd-network/>.

***The FLI doctoral candidates are enrolled at the Leibniz PhD Network, a community of approximately 4,000 doctoral candidates within the 93 institutes and museums of the Leibniz Association (April 2019). This network promotes: (a) interdisciplinary exchange towards improvement and unification of work and research conditions during doctoral studies within the Leibniz Association, in cooperation with Max Planck Society and Helmholtz Association; (b) career opportunities within and outside academia. More details: <https://www.leibniz-gemeinschaft.de/karriere/wissenschaftlicher-nachwuchs/leibniz-phd-network/>. ***

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PhD representatives from 63 out of 93 Leibniz Institutes and museums at the General Assembly 2018 at the Abbe Center of Photonics in Jena

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Tetiana Poliezhhaieva at the Leibniz Institute on Aging – Fritz Lipmann Institute (FLI)

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