



Dear ZMT-Alumni!

It's summer in Bremen and people are sitting outside enjoying the sun, having a drink outside and taking a bath in the "Uni-See" – and sometimes the Bremen summer is still colder than the winter in the Southern Hemisphere. I hope you have some nice memories on your summer time in Bremen, as well. With this summer newsletter I would like to give you an update about recent developments in our Alumni Network – and wish you a nice summer break. Warm wishes, Janine

OUR EVENTS

Upcoming Event: 20 Years Master Program ISATEC – Party on September 30, 2019 at ZMT

Happy Birthday, ISATEC! This year the study program on International Studies in Aquatic Tropical Ecology (ISATEC) celebrates its 20th anniversary! The study program was established to educate German and international postgraduates in research on tropical ecosystems. We are proud that more than 300 graduates work in influential position in academia, governance or non-governmental sector and are part of the ZMT Alumni Network. You are cordially invited to celebrate this birthday on September 30 at ZMT. More information will follow soon. Save the Date!

Alumni Ambassador Dr. Robert Katikiro as panellist at the event "Capacity Development in the Federal state of Bremen" in Berlin (February 12, 2019)



Dr. Robert Katikiro at the panel discussion

On February 11th, 2019, ZMT held a conference on Capacity Development at the Representation of the State of Bremen at the Federal Government in Berlin. The Conference illustrated the awareness of education and training that are fundamental prerequisites for stable development and sustainable use are. Capacity development aims at strengthening and self-renewal of skills and abilities in order to ultimately achieve self-regenerative autonomy and eye-level in the academic, economic and administrative fields. It is thus the basis for strong international partnerships and for social stability.



Robert Katikiro, our Alumni Ambassador from East Africa, joined the prestigious panel together (picture, from left) with Prof. Dr. Margret Wintermantel (President of DAAD), Dr. Awni Benham (Honorary President International Ocean Institute), Martin Foth-Feldhusen and Prof. Dr. Gesine Schwan (President of Humboldt – Viadrina Governance Platform)

OUR ALUMNI

New Initiative for our Alumni: ZMT Alumni Fellowship 2019

This year, ZMT launched a new initiative, the ZMT Alumni Fellowship. The ZMT Alumni Fellowship offers up to five alumni the opportunity for four-week research stay at ZMT (including travel costs and a scholarship). The aim of the fellowship is to encourage joint publications of ZMT researchers and alumni and to prepare research proposals together to foster cooperation between our Alumni network and working groups on the level of research. We are very happy that we could select five Alumni Fellows out of 19 very good applications from our Alumni network.



Dr. Shilly Elizabeth David Alumni Fellow in the working group of Tim Jennerjahn and They worked on the publication “Biogeochemistry of Suspended and Sedimentary Organic matter concentrations in the Pamba River, Kerala”. Shilly did her PhD from 2009-2013 in the WG of Tim Jennerjahn. She is now working as Assistant professor in the Department of Zoology at the Mar Thoma College in Kerala / India.



Dr. Doan Nhu Hai is a Professor in Biology and the Head of the Department of Marine Plankton at the Viet Nam Academy of Science. He was at ZMT for several research stays since 2012. He was in the working group of Andreas Kunzmann and they worked on a manuscript entitled: “Stable isotope of plankton size classes and organisms reveal insightful of a coastal tropical foodweb”.



Prof. Dr. João Marcelo Brazão Protázio did his PhD from 2003 – 2007 with Prof. Saint-Paul at ZMT. He is now Professor in Mathematics at the University of Para in Brazil and Coordinator at The Postgraduate Program in Mathematics and Statistics. He will stay in the WG Mangrove Ecology with Martin Zimmer from July 28 to August 28, 2019. They will work on Biomass Storage Change over the life cycle of a Mangrove Tree.

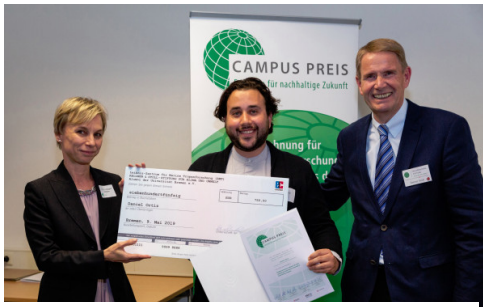


Dr. Neila Cabral is a Lecturer at the Federal Institute of Education, Science and Technology of Para in Brazil. In 2017 she stayed several months at ZMT and in 2005 she did her PhD under the co-supervision of Marion Glaser. Neila Cabral will stay in the WG with Marion Glaser and plan a new version of a book on interdisciplinary research in mangrove regions and on a funding proposal to initiate the work of the network for marine and coastal social scientists on including regional non-academic stakeholders in future transdisciplinary research.



Gabriela Navarrete graduated in the ISATEC Program in 2015. Currently, she is affiliated with the Center for Water and Sustainable Development at the Polytechnic University in Guayaquil/Ecuador. She will stay in the working group of Matthias Wolff from August 10 to October 10, 2019 and finish a contribution on Marine conservation and fisheries management in Ecuador and Peru

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The CAMPUS PREIS honors outstanding theses written on the Bremen campus that are thematically dedicated to the sustainable use of resources as well as the protection of the environment, the climate, and the oceans. For his master's thesis, Daniel Ortiz studied the impact of different management practices of protected marine areas in North Sulawesi in Indonesia, and he spoke with numerous players in the area to do so. For the marine ecologist, the focus of his consideration is not only the standardized counting and monitoring of individual algae, fish, or coral species; in fact, Ortiz pursues the so-called resilience approach in his work, which involves looking at the entire reef system and its resilience. "Currently, Daniel works as a project manager at Delivery Hero on sustainable concepts for food packaging."

PhD student Dini Adyasari to receive Bernd Rendel Prize 2019 from the German Research Foundation

Dini Adyasari received Bernd Rendel Prize 2019 by the German Research Foundation (DFG) for promising and original geoscientific research at the start of her career. The prize will be awarded during the annual conference of the German Geological Society - Geological Association from 22 to 25 September 2019 in Münster. Dini defended her PhD thesis on "Pollution by urban submarine groundwater discharge from Jepara coastal region and its implications for local water management" at Uni Bremen in January 2015. Congratulations, Dini!



OPPORTUNITIES

HWK Fellowship Program, the HWK supports research and science as well as arts and humanities, benefitting not only the individual Fellow but also the scientific community in regional research institutions. Next deadline for applications: July 2020 [More information](#)

International Climate Protection Fellowship offers a monthly fellowship of between €2,150 and €2,650, individual mentoring, additional support such as family members, travel expenses, for all future leaders from Non-European transition or developing countries. Next deadline for applications: March 2020 [More information](#)

DAAD Fellowships: The DAAD is able to re-invite foreign former one-year scholarship holders who - after completing their DAAD-supported stay - have been working back in their home country for a longer period of time (at least three years) to complete a follow-up study visit in Germany (up to three months) [More Information](#)

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