

Newsletter of the VDS Ecology and Evolution



Dear VDSEE community,

Welcome to our second Newsletter!

We send these to the DocSchool members every 3-4 months to keep everyone updated on upcoming events and any exciting news that members of the School have to share.

If you have anything you would like to have added to our next issue, please get in touch. We'd love to feature your contributions!

Overview

- Upcoming events
- VDSEE people
- Collaborators in the spotlight: Tech Transfer Office
- Funding opportunities & workshops

Enjoy reading our newsletter & see you soon!

UPCOMING EVENTS:



PhD-student Orientation Days

25 - 28.09.23

We would like to encourage any new VDSEE PhD-students to register for the Universität Wien PhD Welcome Programme.

This 3-day event helps lay out all information that students may require to settle into their programme. This includes panel discussions on managing expectations and responsibilities, communicating with your supervisor and navigating PhD-life. Talks by the library, IT-services and international office will lay out the supports available to students.

Students will also have the opportunity to socialise with members of the other DocSchools in Vienna.

[More Information](#)



VBC - Life Sciences Minisymposium

28.09.23

Two years ago, a part of the Faculty of Life Sciences moved to the new University of Vienna Biology Building and became part of the Vienna Biocenter.

Now we cordially invite you to the 1. VBC - Life Sciences Minisymposium, which aims to bring together colleagues from all VBC-institutes, offering talks from different fields of Life Sciences as well as the ideal platform for networking

[More Information](#)



Botanical Garden Tour

03.10.23, 16:00

We would like to invite any interested VDSEE-members to join us for a tour of the University Botanical Gardens.

We only have a few spots left, please follow the link below to register

[More Information](#)



VDSEE Annual Retreat

5-6.10.23

We hope you are excited for our upcoming retreat in Seitenstetten (Lower Austria)!

We have an exciting program planned and look forward to meeting you.

Those who wish to participate should have already filled out the registration on our website. If you have any comments or questions do not hesitate to contact the DocSchool directly.

[More Information](#)



UBB Faculty Event

12.10.23, 17:00

All UBB-staff and PhD-students are invited to the faculty event on 12th of October. The program includes:

- Highlights of the year
- Honor of Retirees of 2023
- Faculty Awards
- Science Karaoke
- Buffet & Live Music



VDSEE Welcome Session

7.11.23

Any students who started their PhD in the last 6 months are invited to our welcome session.

Here you will learn:

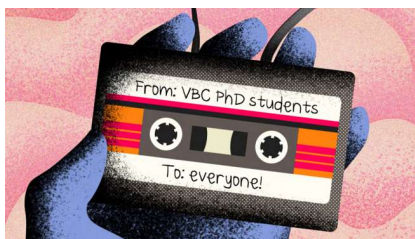
- What is the DocSchool and how can it support you during your PhD
- Faculty presentation (FÖP), dissertation agreement, University-related paper work
- Financial aspects: Even though you've started recently and it seems in the distant future, we will discuss things to consider when your initial contract finishes but you are still working on your PhD-project
- Expectations between student and supervisor; What to do if any difficulties arise

There will be a Q&A session followed by drinks and snacks provided by VDSEE.

This is a great opportunity to get to know your peers and the student representatives and we're looking forward to seeing many of you there.

To plan this event, please register below:

[More Information](#)



A Mixtape of Science

9-10.11.23

VBC PhD-candidates are organizing and inviting you to join the 20th VBC PhD Symposium "A Mixtape of Science" on 09th & 10th November 2023 at the Vienna Biocenter Campus!

For this special anniversary edition, they want to build on two decades of experience and combine the best minds, techniques, organisms, disciplines and approaches to research into an inspiring Mixtape of Science. The symposium will feature a diverse panel of great speakers from various disciplines, showcasing their latest research and discoveries.

We would like to encourage VDSEE members to register before Oct 2nd.

[More Information](#)

Public Presentation of the PhD thesis project (FÖP)

10.11.23

The next VDSEE public presentations will take place in November.

Students who wish to present are asked to submit all documents to the DocSchool no later than 29th September.

After presentations there will be refreshments and an opportunity to socialize with other VDSEE-members.

Details on required documents to register can be found on our website.

[More Information](#)

VSDEE PEOPLE:

New Faces:

We would like to welcome Alice Frisinghelli, Anna-Sophie Hawranek, Marina Monserrat Díez, Emily Pigott and Tobias Schernhammer who have recently began their PhD in our School. We wish them all the best with their research.

Recent Defenses:

- Kellie Sara Carlsson (Supervisor: Ron Pinhasi)
- Benjamin Wölfl (Supervisor: Joachim Hermisson)
- Janine Oettel (Supervisor: Franz Essl)
- Tatiana Lebedeva (Supervisor: Grigory Genikhovich)

Congratulations to all! We are proud of your accomplishments and wish you all the best in your future endeavors!



Awards:

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Sophie Greistorfer and Hayk Palabikyan who were recently awarded The Impact Award.

This award is funded by the City of Vienna (Culture) and given to outstanding dissertation projects with the potential to reach target groups outside the scientific community and to achieve social, cultural or economic added value.

Congratulations Hayk and Sophie!

INTRODUCING: TECH TRANSFER OFFICE

The University of Vienna is a huge reservoir of knowledge, creativity, and technology that can bring positive impact to society.

The Technology Transfer Office and Entrepreneurship Services provide our talents the toolkit to make this happen.

Are you considering founding a spin-off company or social enterprise? Are you looking for funding to create a prototype of your invention? Do you have questions regarding the protection of Intellectual Property? The [Technology Transfer Office](#) supports scientists at the University of Vienna in the transfer of their research to industry and provides various offers surrounding technology commercialization and IP protection. The [Entrepreneurship Services](#) are there to help anyone at the University develop their entrepreneurial

competencies through innovation labs, start-up consultations, master classes and support for applying to various funding programmes fostering innovation.

If you like to learn more, contact the TTO team at techtransfer@univie.ac.at or the entrepreneurship team at entrepreneurship@univie.ac.at!

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES & WORKSHOPS:

[VDSEE travel grants](#)

Get up to 1.000 € support for traveling to conferences or summer schools.

Application on a rolling basis at least two months before the planned trip

[Trainings and Workshops for Doctoral researchers](#)

Find out trainings and workshops offered to by the University to PhD-students

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