



Working Group: Biodiversity Research/ Systematic Botany
Group seminar: "Current Topics in Biodiversity Research"
Alternating with joint seminar "Ecological Colloquium"
 (Shared among six working groups at the University of
 Potsdam focusing on plant or animal ecology)
Schedule for the Summer Semester 2026



Format of the seminar (Mondays 14:15-15:45 h): All presentations will be streamed live via Zoom. If the guests are present in person, the seminar will additionally be held in person.

Moodle page: <https://moodle2.uni-potsdam.de/course/view.php?id=49215>

Zoom Meetings: <https://uni-potsdam.zoom-x.de/j/68734734097> Meeting ID: 687 3473 4097 Passcode: 87996120

In person and hybrid seminars: seminar room 5.03.1.04 (Maulbeerallee House 2a)

Date	Speaker	Affiliation	Title	Comment
20.04.2026	Chloé Mauel & Lasse Harkort	University Potsdam & HU Berlin	<i>"The effect of plant material transfer on plant and bumble bee diversity in the Lower Havel River Wetland"</i> <i>and "Mapping fractional vegetation cover in Sub-Saharan Rangelands with Satellites"</i>	Internal seminar / hybrid
27.04.2026	Prof. Dr. Anja Linstädter	University Potsdam	<i>Current research in the WG Biodiversity Research / Systematic Botany</i>	Internal seminar / hybrid
04.05.2026				Joint ecological colloquium Macroecology
11.05.2026	Farewell Event	-	-	Only internal and in person
18.05.2026	Fabian Fischer	TU München	<i>TBA</i>	Internal seminar / hybrid
01.06.2026				Joint ecological colloquium Animal ecology
08.06.2025	Florian Männer	Frauenhofer IGD Rostock	<i>TBA</i>	Internal seminar / hybrid
15.06.2026	Student Presentations	University Potsdam	<i>Thesis topics of Master and Bachelor students</i>	Internal seminar / hybrid
22.06.2026	Eva Kasinda	University of Namibia	<i>A Synthesis of Integrated Ecosystem Responses to Seasonal Fire in Savanna Woodlands: Linking Vegetation Structure, Soil Nutrients, and Invertebrate Communities.</i>	Internal seminar / online
29.06.2026	Sophia Meyer	University Potsdam	<i>TBA</i>	Internal seminar / hybrid
06.07.2026				Joint ecological colloquium Vegetation ecology
13.07.2026	Sitali Mbeha	University Potsdam	<i>What Drives Livestock Predation? Spatial Insights from a Multi-Predator System in Namibia</i>	Internal seminar / online
20.07.2026	Dina Schärfe	Mooragentur Cuxhaven / University Potsdam	<i>TBA</i>	Internal seminar / online