



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: Zoom: <https://uni-potsdam.zoom-x.de/j/62604292549> Meeting-ID: 626 0429 2549 Passcode: 16950305

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>Towards a global picture of 3D forest structure and dynamics</i>	Internal seminar / online
01.06.2026	TBA	TBA	TBA	Joint ecological colloquium Animal ecology
08.06.2025	Eva Kasinda & Sitali Mbeha	University of Namibia and Potsdam	<i>A Synthesis of Integrated Ecosystem Responses to Seasonal Fire in Savanna Woodlands: Linking Vegetation Structure, Soil Nutrients, and Invertebrate Communities.</i> & <i>What Drives Livestock Predation? Spatial Insights from a Multi-Predator System in Namibia</i>	Internal seminar / hybrid
15.06.2026	Florian Männer	Fraunhofer IGD Rostock	<i>Joint beneficial and harmful impacts of management and environment on semi-arid rangeland condition</i>	Internal seminar / hybrid
22.06.2026	Student Presentations	University Potsdam	<i>Master's and Bachelor's students presenting their thesis topics</i>	Internal seminar / Hybrid
29.06.2026	Sophia Meyer	University Potsdam	TBA	Internal seminar / hybrid
06.07.2026	TBA	TBA	TBA	Joint ecological colloquium Vegetation ecology
13.07.2026	Hermane Diesse	Namibia University of Science and Technology	TBA	Internal seminar / online
20.07.2026	Dina Schärfe	Mooragentur Cuxhaven / University Potsdam	TBA	Internal seminar / online

