

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

Lecture Series July 2022:

"Research Meets Practice. Scientific and Civil Society Approaches to the Sustainable Development Goals in Two World Regions - a Colombian-German Dialogue

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The [17 United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals \(SDGs\)](#) provide a global framework for actions toward a sustainable future. Many local and international initiatives and programs have already referenced these goals. At the same time, we are witnessing global developments addressing that increased collective efforts are needed to turn the ambitious goals into reality. These developments strongly point to the need for a realistic stocktaking of where we are today, where the next steps should be taken and what hurdles need to be overcome.

Higher education institutions play a prominent role in this process: It is here where knowledge is created, we are enlightened about the state of our world, options for action are developed, and where political and social practices are analyzed. However, universities also provide important impetus for civil society initiatives and vice versa: Practical, often locally oriented, initiatives pave the way for broader social activities.

With our lecture series, we would like to bring actors from these areas of social development into exchange, which is embedded in two countries that are already intertwined in many visible and less visible ways.

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Challenges in Germany and Colombia we want surpass and contribute to with the Lecture Series

The goal of the lecture series is to bring perspectives from different research disciplines and fields of action towards the SDGs in two regions into dialogue. In particular, topics should be addressed in which professional, methodological or disciplinary intersections exist between Colombia and Germany.

In one to two lecture(s) per meeting, the speakers will present Colombian and German perspectives and offer their relevance to the SDGs for discussion. The overarching interest of the lecture series is to provide insight into complex development challenges from an intercultural perspective.

Further Information and Resources

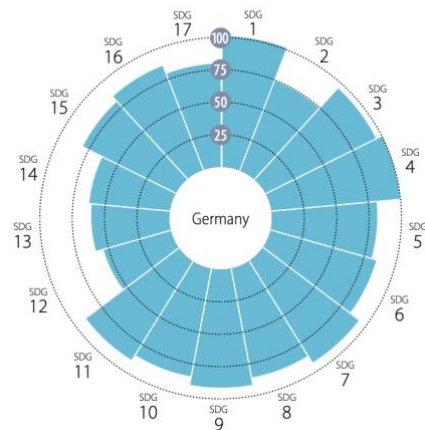
Here you can find documents about the performance regarding the SDG from Colombia and Germany, the current Challenges and efforts to overcome (links to full PDF-report).

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[Colombia](#)

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[Germany](#)

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Possible Research Topics or Fields of Activity

- Energy policy, phasing out fossil fuels (example: coal)
- Biodiversity
- Green economy, sustainable economy
- Urbanization, waste reduction, microclimate management
- Digital transformation (economy, administration), IT governance
- Diversity and inclusion in political decision-making processes
- Gender equality, misogyny
- Peace and reconciliation processes
- Social inequality
- Migration movements, displacement
- Mobility, Transport System

Ideal Lecturers

Presenters should ideally be working at one of our HEPCoPa project (see below) partner universities or associations. Experience and/or relationship with the two regions and/or the two countries would be desirable. It would be ideal if the presenters could recommend/open this event to their students as well. Advanced (C1) or higher English proficiency is strongly recommended for speakers. Previous experience in conducting virtual courses is an advantage. There is no possibility of remuneration for the participating lecturers. A certificate of participation can be issued to the lecturers for their participation in the HEPCoPa project.

Structures, Timeframe and Dates for the Lectures

In order to define a schedule that fits into the Colombian and German academic calendar, we have set a time frame between July and August. If potential speakers are very interested, we could extend the series in the fall.

We plan to have two speakers (ideally one from the field of research and one from the field of civil society engagement and/or from Colombia and Germany) per meeting. Sessions typically lasted one hour (60 minutes).

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The lectures usually take place on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. COT / 5:00 p.m. CEST (4:00 p.m. CET).

The possible dates are: **July, 13 / July, 20. / July, 27 / August, 03.2022**

Possible extension dates: **October, 19. / October, 26. / November, 02. 2022**

HEPCoPa Framework Partnership and Project

Funded by the German Academic Exchange Services (DAAD), the DIES Partnership “Higher Education Partnership Colombia - Potsdam” (HEPCoPa) aims to optimize the institutional management and strengthen the future-oriented aspects digitalisation and quality management in the context of teaching and learning. The University of Potsdam, the Asociación Colombiana de Universidades (Colombian Association of Universities), the Pontificia Universidad Javeriana section Cali, the Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana section Bucaramanga and the Universidad de Caldas thus joined the DAAD partnership program to expand their internationalization profile as well as increase of international competitiveness. After a successful lecture series "Societal Transformation Processes" (Youtube-Link) from November 2021 to March 2022 within this partnership, we would like to continue this intercultural collaborative format with a serie of lectures focused on the SDGs.

Contact

If you are interested in participating in the Lecture Series as a presenter, please fill out the [online-form linked here](#) or contact us. We look forward to receiving your contributions. Don't hesitate to contact us with any questions.

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