

## CURRENT TOPICS .....

### **Latest episode of the “Meridian” podcast on the topic of Africa charters**

The 17th episode of the BUA science podcast MERIDIAN has been released with the topic “The Africa Charter: A roadmap for universities towards equitable research partnerships”. The initiator of the Africa Charter, Prof. Isabella Aboderin, Perivoli Africa Research Institute (PARC) and University of Bristol, explains how equitable international research partnerships can be put into practice step by step and what role the Berlin University Alliance plays here.

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### **Survey on scientific participation in the European University Network Una Europa**

The European University Network Una Europa, in which the FU is involved, is currently conducting a survey among academic staff. Una Europa is interested in involving more academic staff and promoting bottom-up initiatives. Therefore, a survey is online until March 3rd. Feel free to participate, whether you have already taken part in Una activities or not!

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### **June is International Month at Freie Universität Berlin**

June 2025 is once again all about internationality at FU: for 10 years we have been bundling offers in which students, teachers and all employees of FU can inform themselves about the various aspects of internationalization at our university.

We cordially invite you not only to take part in events, but also to become active yourself. Are you planning an event on the topic of internationalization? If so, please schedule it for June and let us know the key dates. We look forward to a colorful mix of information events, workshops or discussions - live or digital.

Sophie Bahrs and Dulda Culha ([event@kum.fu-berlin.de](mailto:event@kum.fu-berlin.de)) will be happy to assist you again. Please let us know by March 20 whether and in what form you or your department would like to participate.

### **Meet the winners of the inaugural Una Europa PhD Impact Competition**

The Una Europa PhD Impact Competition aims to recognize and celebrate the impact, and potential impact, of research and researchers across the alliance. This year, we invited doctoral researchers in the area of Future Materials to tell us how their research practice impacts on society and contributes to the world.

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### **Delegation of Freie Universität visits the University of Helsinki**

From December 10 to 12, an administrative delegation from Freie Universität visited the University of Helsinki, which is one of FU's closest partners in the Una Europa network. The delegation consisted of representatives from the FUB IT, Budget, International Affairs, Human Resources, K-Office, BUA Staff Office and Veterinary Medicine as well as History and Cultural Studies.

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## CURRENT CALLS .....

### Una Europa calls for proposals for cooperation with the ten Una partner universities

Deadline: 31.03.2025

Within the FU, there are various DAAD-funded funding calls for cooperation with one or more of the eleven Una Europa partner universities. All information on funding opportunities for doctoral candidates, researchers and staff at <https://www.fu-berlin.de/international/network/partnership-networks/unaeuropa/funding-calls/index.html>.

## EVENTS .....

### Career Week for International Junior Researchers

March 10-14, 2025

Early career researchers from all Berlin universities are invited to take part in the "Career Week for International Junior Researchers" at Technische Universität Berlin. International doctoral candidates and postdocs gain insights into academic and non-academic career paths in Germany and are offered a combination of face-to-face and online sessions as well as career coaching.

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### Training courses on China

The China Competence Center of the Humboldt University offers open training courses for all Berlin universities on China-related topics, for example on questions of research cooperation, innovation or legal security. The target group includes employees from knowledge and technology transfer, employees who provide administrative support for cooperation with China and anyone who is interested in China.

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### FAPESP Week Germany - Registration deadline 10.03.2025

March 25 - 26, 2025

Collaborations between researchers from the state of São Paulo and Germany are the focus of the FAPESP Week. The week is organized by the São Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP) and the German Research Foundation (DFG) and will take place at Freie Universität Berlin. The aim of the lectures and discussions on scientific results is also to initiate new collaborations.

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