

Dear Alumni,

In June, the third graduation party took place that we put together together with the Master's class in Media Technology. It was the second one that we organised outdoors here on campus and the first one with two stages: one for the presentation of certificates at the "Danube Campus" and protection from the rain (as it unfortunately turned out, necessary), one for the DJ and the after-show party at the "City Campus". For us from the event team, the suspension of the Corona measures and the possibility to celebrate with accompanying people was particularly relieving. Only two for now (Corona was still an issue at the beginning of the planning), but still. You will find many pictures in this issue of Post Graduate to get an impression of the celebrations yourself.

On 3 October we are also finally reviving the Alumni Business Trip. It's off to Lake Constance to ZF, an exciting company we're looking forward to.

So it almost feels like the old days again. But if we take a closer look at the "new normal", we quickly feel boiling hot. Because the planet is boiling and at the same time we are standing with our feet in (flood) water. The climate crisis is not just coming, it is already here. Everyone is called upon to do something about it personally, to make climate-friendly decisions, to live sustainably, and that of course also applies to alumni work.

That is also the reason why we are not going abroad for the revival of the Business Trip. We were looking for a destination to which we don't have to fly, but which can be reached by land. We are happy to accept this limitation in our choice of destinations. In addition, the unpredictability of the weather will play a significant role in future event planning. We are putting our entire offer to the test. For you, dear Absolvia, this means that you can look forward to sustainable alumni offers. For your lively enquiries and your unwavering loyalty to DIT, we already say "Thank you". Take care and have a wonderful - sustainable holiday season.

Yours

Ulrike Sauckel

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DIT

Mon, 26 September 2022, 5 pm

Online seminar: Critical aspects of succession in family businesses

Tue, 4 October 2022

Online seminar: Start-ups within a business: Guide for intrapreneurs

Wed, 12 October 2022, 9 am

Crash course "Occupational safety and health management"

Thurs, 20 October 2022, 10 am

3rd online networking evening "Psychology & health"

Thurs, 3 November 2022, 10 am

Lecture series "Nursing science goes practice Topic: Ventilation"

Thurs, 3 November - Fri, 4 November 2022

TastING - Try out being an engineer!

DIT ALUMNI & ALUMNINET E.V.

Sat, 24 September 2022, 10 am

Seminar for (young) professionals: Decision management

Sat, 1 October - Tue, 4 October 2022

AlumniNet business trip to Lake Constance

Fri, 21 October 2022, 3 pm

Graduation ceremony Campus Cham

Fri, 28 October 2022, 3 pm

Graduation ceremony ECRI

Further information about all events can be found at: www.th-deg.de/en/dit/events

ALUMNI IN PROFILE



FRIEDRICH MÜNCH

Diploma in Media Technology, graduated in 2009 Master Media Technology and Production, graduated 2011

Friedrich Münch was one of the last students to graduate from DIT in media technology. He now works in the German Bundestag. He told us what he does there, how he liked his studies in Deggendorf and what he would like to pass on to current students in a short interview.

DIT Alumni asked Friedrich Münch a couple of questions:

Dear Friedrich, since 2022, you have been pursuing a new exciting job. Would you like to tell us something about your professional career?

I grew up in the Deggendorf district - more precisely in Winzer and Hengersberg - and came here from Niederalteich primary and secondary school, via Schöllnach secondary school and the FOS in Deggendorf to the Deggendorf Institute of Technology. Fortunately, I was one of the last students to start my studies in the diploma programme Media Technology and fortunately I also had the option to continue my studies seamlessly in Deggendorf as one of the first students in the Master's programme Media Technology and Production.

During my studies, I always had the goal of entering the professional world in the film-video field - e.g. as a video journalist. But as it is often the case, things turn out differently than planned. I started my career in higher education at the Deggendorf Institute of Technology via a part-time job during my studies at DIT. I was able to gain my first professional experience in the university administration in the area of studies and teaching. Most recently, I was responsible at DIT for establishing the central facilities in the area of study and teaching at the newly founded European Campus Rottal-Inn in Pfarrkirchen.

Just as a side note: I used my part-time job at the university to develop a media and marketing concept for my master's thesis. I used my part-time job at the university to develop a media and marketing concept for the Deggendorf Institute of Technology in my Master's thesis. After six years at DIT, however, it was time to get to know something new. Even though I lost a lot of dear colleagues in the process. Fortunately, I am still in close contact with many of the DIT staff - whom I would like to greet warmly at this point.

In the next chapter, I was allowed to accompany the development of the TUM Campus Straubing for Biotechnology and Sustainability of the Technical University of Munich from the beginning in Straubing as a consultant for web design and marketing on the "green field". In addition to a web relaunch, I was responsible for student marketing, press and public relations, event management and web design at TUMCS.

For personal reasons, I then moved to Nuremberg. Professionally, I moved to the Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt as a marketing officer and was responsible for the marketing of the Ingolstadt School of Management.

While working, I continued my education with an MBA in Business Management at the Friedrich-Alexander University of Erlangen-Nuremberg, primarily to gain in-depth knowledge in the field of management.



Not planned and by chance, I got the opportunity at the beginning of 2022 to manage and organise a constituency office of a Member of the Bundestag as a research assistant in the German Bundestag. Specifically, I take care of the organisation of appointments, the preparation and follow-up of appointments with citizens, companies, institutes or associations. I deal with concerns from the constituency and answer enquiries on a wide range of topics. This also includes press and public relations, event management, writing speeches and speech texts or producing photos and videos for the social media channels of the Member of the Bundestag.

Reminiscing allowed:

Remeber your student days.

I particularly like to think back on the time spent alongside my studies, in addition to the excellent apprenticeship and practical training. Compared to Nuremberg, Deggendorf is more of a small town, which I actually find optimal for a Bachelor's programme. This means that students always meet each other on campus or in the city. Everyone knows everyone. When I think of the parties at Yusuf or the 2006 World Cup in Germany.... That was a really great time, especially since beer still cost a good two euros back then :D. I was able to gather so many different experiences during my studies, I was able to try things out during my studies and I still benefit from the network I gained today. It was a really nice time at the campus at the beautiful blue Danube.

What advice would you give to today's students?

As a passionate former student advisor, I can only recommend one thing to you: You need a common thread or a goal, motivation, diligence, patience, stamina and you should always be open to new things. Try things out, sometimes go left, sometimes right, or even shift down a gear, but always keep your eyes firmly on the goal.

Looking back, I think it's a shame that there weren't so many options for international exchange programmes, for example, when I was a student. By the end of my studies and especially through my professional activities at the universities, I was able to build up an international network. The intercultural exchange, a new language, alone for a longer time abroad and without parents - these are experiences for life. That's why I encourage everyone to invest one or even two semesters in a semester abroad during their studies. Nowadays, there are so many programmes and funding opportunities for a stay abroad. Take advantage of this unique opportunity. Normally, you will never again have the opportunity to study abroad for so long and so "cheaply". And many people have found the love of their lives through this. That's why I've been commuting back and forth between Germany and Brazil regularly for a few years now.

Foto: Friedrich Münch



WURI RANKING

LOWER BAVARIAN ENTREPRENEURSHIP WORLD CLASS - DIT IN 2ND PLACE IN WORLDWIDE UNIVERSITY RANKING

DIT has already been among the best in worldwide university comparisons for years. This is also confirmed by the WURI Ranking 2022, which was published in mid-June. In the category "Entrepreneurial Spirit", DIT takes second place. Ahead of universities with a global reputation, such as Berkely University of California and Princeton University. A decisive point for this is the "Bavarian Innovation Transformation Centre" (BITZ) in Oberschneiding.

WURI, which stands for "World's Universities with Real Impact", i.e. those that make a difference. For years now, DIT has been among the TOP 10 when it comes to entrepreneurship and start-ups. The WURI places 8 and 5 in previous years prove what the Deggendorfers achieve in this respect. This year, DIT is now the highest ranked university in Europe in terms of entrepreneurship and the only German university in the WURI TOP 50. President Prof. Peter Sperber is certain: "With the work at our BITZ in Oberschneiding, we have made it straight to the top of the world. Our university is unique in the world with this campus and the Silicon Valley School". He added that the Valley had already been brought to Lower Bavaria to some extent and that Bavarian companies were being successfully supported in market development and acceleration. Overall, DIT ranks 24th among the "Global Top 100 Innovative Universities".

Prof. Peter Schmieder, founder and director of the Silicon Valley School and scientific director of the BITZ is certain that the location in Oberschneiding has once again raised the Silicon Valley Programme to a whole new level. "We can keep up with the big players in the international academic landscape," Schmieder proudly explains. In the entrepreneurship category, he says, we are even ahead of Berkely University, with which we have had a partnership for years, and also ahead of Princeton University. "That," adds the DIT professor, "is a huge incentive for our further work."

This year's WURI ranking again included entries in the categories "Industrial Application" (DIT ranked 33rd), "Entrepreneurship" (ranked 2nd), "Ethical Value", "Cosmopolitanism", "Crisis Management" (ranked 8th) and "Fourth Industrial Revolution". This approach allows smaller universities the same chances in the evaluation as large established universities. The presidents of the participating universities are actively involved in the evaluation process. Finally, the members of the WURI Evaluation Committee conduct a rigorous review and recommend a list of universities for the global Top 100 rankings.

The WURI ranking is organised by the Institute for Policy and Strategy on National Competitiveness (IPSNC) in South Korea and is supported by the Hanseatic League of Universities (HLU) in the Netherlands, the Institute for Industrial Policy Studies (IPS) in Seoul, the UN Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) in Geneva and the Tailor Institute of Franklin University (FUS) in Lugano. The results are available online at www.wuri.world.



STARTUP CAMPUS

DIT alumni are always welcome at the Startup Campus.

The Startup Campus supports start-ups at DIT and assists innovative founders from the initial idea to the establishment of a company. The offer applies not only to students and staff, but also to DIT alumni. So if you have graduated from DIT within the last five years and would like to found your own start-up, you are welcome to seek support from the Startup Campus team. You can find out about the various funding programmes in advance on our website.

www.th-deg.de/starting-a-business#funding-programmes

Are you DIT alumni and have already founded your own company?

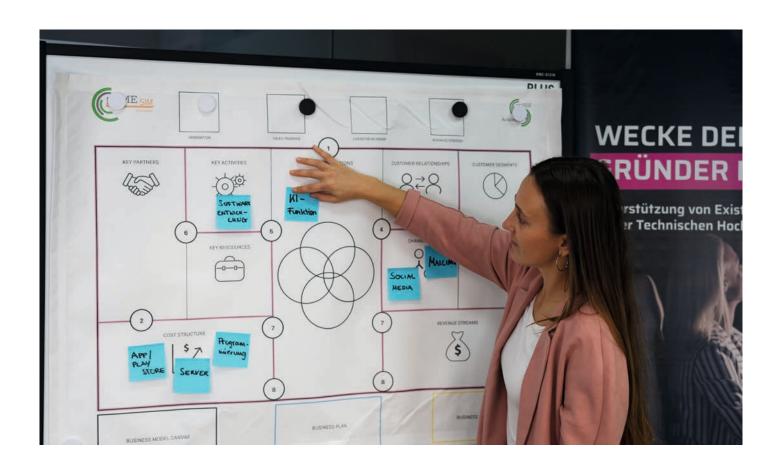
The Startup Campus would be very happy to work with you. There are regular event formats, such as Alumni Startup Talks, in which former DIT students talk about their successes and experiences in their self-employment.

Vielleicht bist du sogar an einem Gründungsmentoring interessiert?

The aim is to build up a pool of experienced mentors for aspiring entrepreneurs. With your experience and expert knowledge, you could support and encourage our students. For this reason, the Startup Campus would like to recruit you as a mentor for the programme. In start-up mentoring, you would accompany a team (or several) in a supportive manner and regularly exchange ideas with the students. It is up to you how the exchange takes place. Whether in person, virtually, by email or telephone - everything is possible. The premises of the Startup Lab are also available to you.

Are you interested? Then write an email to

startupcampus@th-deg.de



DIT ALUMNI SEMINARS







NEW STUDY PROGRAMMES AT DIT

BACHELOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT IN DEGGENDORF

Starting in October, the Construction Management degree programme will be a new addition to the Deggendorf Institute of Technology. The university is responding to the need for construction managers on the labour market. According to the head of the programme, Prof. Dr. Gerd Maurer, the managerial job has become established in the construction industry. Construction managers are engineers with generalist knowledge, additional soft skills and business skills. They are well able to perform tasks as project managers in construction

management, costing and project control. Gerd Maurer also mentions planning organisation as an important field of work. Maurer designed the course and has known the industry for 34 years through work in construction companies and planning offices in Germany and abroad: "Both locally based, small and medium-sized construction companies and large, nationally active construction companies are looking for skilled workers. So are engineering firms."

BUILDING PRODUCTS AND PROCESSES AT THE EUROPEAN CAMPUS ROTTAL-INN

A new degree programme will also start in Pfarrkirchen in the winter semester of 2022/2023. With the Bachelor's degree in "Building Products and Processes", the university is addressing the two megatrends of digitalisation and climate change in the construction sector. In the new degree programme, students learn to develop, market and process resource-conserving, recyclable building products in an engineering manner, which are reusable in the best case, and to manage them in medium and large building construction projects with the corresponding programmes and

models. There is already a close connection to local companies during the study programme, which makes "Building Products and Processes" so exciting for those interested. Students can already complete an internship in companies or write a thesis during their studies. This makes it easier to start a career after graduation, because the graduates already have practical experience. With English and German as the language of instruction, the students of "Building Products and Processes" are not only equipped for the German job market, but can work as managers all over the world.

BACHELOR DATA CENTER MANAGEMENT SMART INFRASTRUCTURE OPERATION IN DEGGENDORF

The Deggendorf Institute of Technology is offering the new degree programme "Data Center Management - Smart Infrastructure Operation" from winter semester 2022/2023. As part of this computer science degree programme, students learn how modern data centres are planned and operated. Data centres play an important role in people's private and professional everyday lives. They are the backbone of digitalisation. Without them, there would be no cloud systems, social media networks, 5G, Internet of Things or Industry 4.0. The number of data centres worldwide is constantly growing, experts in this field are in demand and the degree programme at DIT trains students for this. The important core topics of

computer science, electrical engineering and air conditioning technology are covered as well as the subject-specific concepts, methods and tools for planning and operating data centres. Computer scientists with special knowledge in the construction and operation of data centres are sought after by data centre operators, providers of cloud services, social media networks and operators of Internet of Things systems. Graduates can work in the planning, construction and operation of data centres, but also in the development and sale of equipment such as server infrastructure. Career opportunities are offered not only by commercial enterprises, but also by public sector administrations or freelance work. The topic of setting up a company is also dealt with during the degree programme. to manage.



NEW PROFESSORS AT DIT



Alumna/Alumnus of:

Mechanical Engineering; 2009; Heriot Watt University Edinburgh UK

PhD in:

Mechanical Engineering - Biomechanics

Professional background:

2016 - 2022 Project manager in product development for LEDs in the automotive sector Osram Opto Semiconductors GmbH, Regensburg, Germany

2014 - 2016 Lead Manufacturing Engineer/ Deputy Engineering Manager General Electrics (GE) GE Aviation Deutschland GmbH, Regensburg

2010 - 2014 Scientist (R&D) Procter & Gamble (P&G); Gillette LTD, UK

Postdoctoral research fellow University of Liverpool, UK Research fellow University of Dundee; UK

At DIT for (Faculty / subject area):

Faculty of Applied Science and Industrial Engineering/Additive Manufacturing

What do you particularly appreciate about DIT:

DIT's many campuses in different regions. They allow the best expertise to be tapped locally. The network is needed in research to be internationally recognised. Personally, I think this will help me to bring my research projects to success quickly.

Special projects:

- · Printing of sensors
- Optimising post-processing steps in additive manufacturing

Favourite holiday destination:

Where my caravan is



Alumna/Alumnus of:

Diploma in Computer Science (minor in Psychology), Graduated in 2011, University of Passau

PhD in:

Computer Science (Dr. rer. nat.)

Professional background:

from 2022 Professor

from 2015 Freelance software architect and consultant

2019 - 2022 Head of DevOps at ONE LOGIC GmbH

2018 - 2019 PostDoc at the University of Passau

2012 - 2018 Research Assistant at the University of Passau

At DIT for (Faculty / subject area):

Faculty of Applied Computer Science / Department of Networks and Operating Systems / Research focus on Cloud Computing

What do you particularly appreciate about DIT:

On the one hand, the outstanding framework conditions for the balancing act between research and teaching (as a professor, you don't have to choose one, but are supported in both). On the other hand, the friendliness in dealing with each other (both between colleagues and students).

Favourite holiday destination:

Bibione for sure

NEW PROFESSORS AT DIT



Alumna/Alumnus of:

Computer Science at the University of Passau (graduated in 1999)

PhD in:

University of Passau

Professional background:

msg Systems AG

Maschinenfabrik Reinhausen GmbH

At DIT for (Faculty / subject area):

Faculty of Applied Computer Science, focus on ERP Systems and BI

What do you particularly appreciate about DIT:

DIT is internationally oriented and covers a wide range of scientific subject areas. Nevertheless, it has remained down-to-earth in the best sense of the word and has retained the identity and charm of a Lower Bavarian university.

Special projects:

Further development of the Business Information Systems Master's programme (I took over the programme coordination)

Favourite holiday destination:

At home:)



Alumna/Alumnus of:

Technical University of Munich, Diploma programme Aerospace Engineering, 2011

PhD in: Aerospace Engineering at the Technical University of Munich

Professional background:

Airbus Group Innovations, Munich 3DSE Management Consultants GmbH, Munich Business Models Inc. Americas, San Francisco ARIAx Ventures, Las Vegas & Munich

At DIT for (Faculty / subject area)):

Faculty of Applied Natural Sciences and Industrial Engineering, Methodology of Scale, BITZ in Oberschneiding

What do you particularly appreciate about DIT:

- The entrepreneurial spirit, especially in the venture development programmes at BITZ in Oberschneiding.
- The "hands-on" support from the university environment in the development of innovative ideas and the comprehensive support of start-ups in the early phases in order to be able to write success stories together.

Special projects:

Silicon Valley Venture Development Program in collabortaion with the Santa Clara University in the Bay Area

Favourite holiday destination:

Bora Bora, French Polynesia and Tulum, Mexico



NEW PROFESSORS AT DIT



Alumna/Alumnus of:

2010 – 2012 MASTER OF SCIENCE in Business Administration at the University of Regensburg.

2010 SEMESTER ABROAD at the UADE, Buenos Aires, Argentina

2007 - 2010 BACHELOR OF ARTS in Business Administration/ Banking at DHBW Ravensburg, Germany

2010 BANKKAUFFRAUat the Chamber of Industry and Commerce for Munich and Upper Bavaria

PhD in: Doctor of Economics (Dr. rer. pol.) / Faculty of Economics at the University of Regensburg / Topic: Success factors of family-external company succession

Professional background:

since 2022 PROFESSOR OF ECONOMY OF SCALE at DIT

since 2018 PARTIAL TEACHER at the Baden-Württemberg Cooperative State University in Ravensburg

since 2018 MANAGEMENT OF FOUNDATION PROMOTION TECHBASE, PROJECT MANAGEMENT DIGITAL FOUNDER INITIATIVE OBERPFALZ at R-Tech GmbH

2017 - 2018 CONSULTANT at Icondu GmbH

2012 - 2016 RESEARCH ASSISTANT at the University of Regensburg, Chair of Innovation and Technology Management.

At DIT for (Faculty / subject area):

Faculty of Applied Sciences and Industrial Engineering / Economy of Scale / BITZ Oberschneiding - Bavarian Innovation Transformation Centre

What do you particularly appreciate about DIT:

What I particularly appreciat about DIT is that I find an international and strong research university in my home region of Eastern Bavaria. You can not only feel the unique "entrepreneurial spirit" of DIT: this has already been proven several times in the WURI (Worlds Universities with Real Impact) ranking (in 2022 number 2 worldwide!!). I also find an open and highly innovative culture at DIT and especially at the BITZ Oberschneiding. The people who work here want to make a difference: The fact that I can be part of the team makes me very proud.

Special projects:

At BITZ, I get to accompany young start-ups and invention teams as part of the Silicon Valley Program to transform their inventions into great ideas.

Favourite holiday destination:

Moseralm in the heart of the Dolomites

GRADUATION CEREMONY AT DIT

This year's graduation ceremony took place on 24 and 25 June 2022 on the campus of the Deggendorf Institute of Technology. The graduates of the summer semester 2021 and the winter semester 2021/2022 were invited.

Over the course of two days, we said goodbye to over 450 graduates, who were accompanied to their ceremony by almost 900 family members and friends.

Due to the annually increasing number of graduates, we have once again divided the ceremony into two days.

On Friday, 24 June we welcomed the alumni of the faculties of

- Mechanical Engineering and Mechatronics,
- Civil Engineering and Environmental Engineering,
- Centre for Academic Continuing Education and
- Electrical Engineering and Media Technology.

On Saturday, 25 June, we said goodbye to the graduates of the faculties of

- Applied Natural Sciences and Industrial Engineering,
- Applied Economics (School of Management),
- Applied Computer Science and
- Applied Health Sciences

The invitations to the celebration went out to our alumni via post and e-mail at the beginning of March. Due to the strict corona regulations still in force at the time and the associated uncertainty about permissible capacities of people, we had to limit the number of people who were allowed to accompany our alumni to three.

However, in the course of time and with the relaxation of the corona regulations, the possibility arose to purchase after-hour tickets for additional accompanying people. Admission for these people was before the hat toss and one could also still participate in the subsequent After Show Party.

The entrance fee for the graduates included a certificate, a hat with a pom-pom in the faculty colour, the loan of a gown, champagne and participation in an unforgettable event.

At the beginning, all graduates collected their hats and gowns, which they wore for the entire event. This was followed by the presentation of certificates, separated according to faculty. In order to make this as personal and familiar as possible, we decided to hold the ceremony within the faculty. Away from the hustle and bustle on the main campus, we set up a stage on the Danube campus between the I/J and K buildings where the farewell ceremony took place. Beforehand, the dean spoke to the graduates and accompanying persons.

This was followed by the presentation of business awards to worthy graduates of the faculty. Afterwards, the graduates received their certificates individually from the dean and a personal photo was taken of the presentation. At the end, we also took a group photo of all the faculties.



After all the faculties said goodbye to their graduates, the highlight at the main campus followed - the hat toss. This was preceded by speeches from political representatives, student representatives and the President Prof. Sperber and Vice President Prof. Berg together with Ulrike Sauckel. They then started the countdown for the hat toss and the traditional Shift the Tassle. Afterwards, the DJ provided a fitting end to the celebration, including light projections on the building walls. The Studentenwerk Niederbayern-Oberpfalz and the two

student associations VD Bau and Studentischer Konvent e.V. provided food and drinks.

Praise also goes to our graduates, who (mostly) mastered the not-so-easy entrance to the presentation of certificates with ease. And if not, then at least it made for an even better atmosphere.

A big thank you goes to the Master's class in Media Technology led by Prof. Susanne Krebs and Maximilian Radomski for the conception and implementation of the ceremony together with us, the DIT Alumni Team. A big thank you also goes to all the helpers from the various faculties and departments, without whom we would not be able to hold the event.

After the graduation ceremony is before the graduation ceremony - the graduation ceremony of the Cham Campus will take place on 21 October 2022 and the graduation ceremony of the European Campus Rottal-Inn on 28 October 2022.











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The awards were presented during the graduation ceremony.

















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