

Dear partners, friends and colleagues,

I hope this e-mail finds you, your colleagues and families all well and healthy. Instead of hosting our International Networking Week this year, we are pleased to announce today JLU's online **International Networking Days 2021** (INDays). The event takes place on **September 16 and 17, 2021**, and focuses on **Virtual Teaching, Learning and Exchange**. Please forward this invitation to colleagues at your institution who might be interested in the topic.

During our INDays 2021, we will explore the opportunities, benefits and challenges of virtual teaching, learning and exchange. In addition to getting to know JLU Giessen and its virtual study and exchange programmes, the event provides you with an opportunity to share your experiences and connect with colleagues from universities worldwide. Participants are encouraged to identify specific virtual exchange opportunities for their students and possible partners for joint virtual activities.

The event is free of charge and takes place entirely **online**. We will offer synchronous sessions and some asynchronous activities in order to facilitate the participation from different time zones. Please find attached our preliminary programme.

Our event is aimed at administrative staff working in the area of internationalisation, but also provides applicants with the opportunity to register together with a lecturer from their home institution who is interested in the topic. Please check our website for further information and the link to our **registration form**: www.jlu-digitalcampus.de/about/indays-2021. The **deadline** for registration is **September 1, 2021**.

We are looking forward to meeting you online this September!

Kind regards,

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International Networking Days: Virtual Teaching, Learning and Exchange (INDays) at Justus Liebig University Giessen

September 16th 2021		September 17th 2021	
10:30 – 11:00	<p>Welcome address Julia Volz, Director International Office</p> <p>Introduction to JLU & INDays (Sigrid Jost, Erasmus+ Institutional Coordinator)</p>	10:00 – 11:00	<p>Student perspectives: Motivation, added value and challenges</p>
11:15 – 12:15	<p>Short lecture on student support and commitment on the example of JLU's Virtual International Programme + Discussion and Getting-to-know the participants (Sigrid Jost, Coordinator for Erasmus+ and student mobility worldwide)</p>	11:15 – 12:15	<p>Poster presentation of conference findings Conference wrap-up</p>
12:30 – 13:30	<p>Short lecture and a following discussion on collaborative online international teaching: Different levels of competences, communication and student commitment (Lecturer in the VIP)</p>	12:30 – 13:15	<p>Farewell including the selection of winners of the virtual city and campus rallye</p>
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch break / Networking	13:15 – open end	Networking: Wonder.me
14:30 – 15:30	<p>Short lecture and following discussion on JLU Digital Campus: How to ensure the onboarding of students in our digital study programme Sustainable Transition (Natalie Kiesler, Instructional Designer at JLU)</p>		
15:45 – 16:45	<p>Short lecture and following discussion on intercultural competences in virtual teaching and learning (Kerstin Dresing, Centre for Competence Development)</p>		