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From the Council

Dear postdocs,

A great opportunity is approaching! Our Council will be **meeting with the Faculty Board** on May 28! We want to ensure that we make the most out of this occasion, so we kindly request that you send us an email outlining any concerns or important issues that you feel are not being addressed and should be discussed with the board.

We also have a couple of exciting events lined up:

- On **30th May**, at the Energy Academy Building, we will be hosting the **II Career Series event, which will explore non-academic positions at academic institutions**. [Sign up](#) and don't forget to check the name of our three **confirmed panellists** in the events section below!
- On **27th June**, outside of the Bernoulliborg building - our **Spring BBQ** will take place. We are looking forward to seeing you there, [join us!](#)

If you are interested in joining the Postdoc Council team and contributing to the organization of these events or proposing new ones, please don't hesitate to drop us an email. We will be more than happy to welcome you aboard!

This month, we kindly welcome Julian Koellermeier from the Bernoulli Institute as a new ambassador to the FSE Postdoc Council. However, this also means that we bid farewell to Marco Guimarães. We want to sincerely thank Marco for all his help and support, it has been a pleasure working alongside him.

Best regards,

PostDoc Council

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News from the Institutes

Engineering and Technology Institute Groningen (ENTEG)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Charissa Roossien from ENTEG together with industrial partners and researchers from the UMCG and HTRIC has successfully secured a substantial Just Transition Fund (JTF) subsidy of €1.8 million. This collaborative effort is aimed at developing and valorizing a cutting-edge health tracker for reliable respiratory and metabolic analysis.
Energy and Sustainability Research Institute Groningen (ESRIG)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listen to Henry van der Windt, Associate Professor at ESRIG IREES, in the podcast series 'Future for Nature', produced by The Butterfly Foundation.
Groningen Institute for Evolutionary Life Sciences (GELIFES)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do you know the In Science UG podcast? In the latest episode, you can listen to Professor Pablo Titonell on how to Feed the world with agroecology.
Kapteyn Astronomical Institute	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A European team of astronomers, including Amina Helmi and Eduardo Balbinot from UG, has discovered the largest stellar black hole of the Milky Way. The black hole is more than 30 times heavier than our sun and it is located in the Aquila Constellation, approximately 2000 light years from Earth. The astronomers made their discovery by chance while preparing the fourth data release of ESA's Gaia mission, which follows the movements of billions of stars in the Milky Way.
Zernike Institute for Advanced Materials (ZIAM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prof. Marleen Kamperman (ZIAM) has been awarded with a Gravitation grant of 1.5 million euros by The Ministry of Education, Culture and Science for her materials research in the Green Tissue Engineering research programme. The consortium will study the mechanical properties of plant cells in order to improve the defences of plants.

In this issue, news was not available from the following institutes: Bernoulli, CLT, GBB, GRIP, Stratingh, and VSI

Events

II FSE Career Series event of 2024, focusing on exploring non-academic positions at academic institutions

Event Details:

*Date: **30 May 2024***

Time: 16.00 - 17.30

Location: Zernike Campus - 5159.0291 - Energy Academy Building (you can also join online)

Please RSVP by 15th of May to secure your spot. [You can RSVP here!](#)

Our Career Series is designed to provide valuable insights into different career paths post-Ph.D. For this session, we have the pleasure of hosting distinguished panellists who have successfully transitioned from postdoctoral positions to non-academic roles within faculties. They will share their experiences, tips on applying for non-academic positions and answer your questions in an open discussion format.

Confirmed panellists:

Georgian Nedelcu - ZIAM grant coordinator - Funding Officer

Deborah Bozzato - Project Manager HAICu - Education policy officer

Gaël Schaeffer - Scientific Coordinator of the Stratingh Institute

After the panel discussion, we invite you to stay for the borrel where you can network with peers and discuss the insights gained.

Spring BBQ

*Date: **27 June 2024***

Time: 16.30 – 19.30 (Indicative)

Location: Zernike Campus, outside of the Bernoulliborg building (the blue building)

We hope you will join us so please [fill in the registration form](#) so we can arrange enough food and drinks for everyone (without being wasteful).

This Spring event is a great opportunity to have food, games, music and meet other postdocs from outside your lab and institute in a fun and casual environment!

About the Newsletter

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