



PROGRAMME (preliminary)

MAX-PLANCK-GESELLSCHAFT

Sunday, August 21st 2016

15.00 | Arrivals and Informal Dinner

Arrivals at individual hotels, informal dinner: time and place to be announced

Monday, August 22nd 2016 (Goethe-Saal, unless indicated otherwise)

8.00 - 9.00 | Registration in the Harnack-Lobby

9.00 - 9.30 | Welcome and Opening speech

Speaker: Ferdi Schüth, Vice President of the Max Planck Society,
Director MPI for Coal Research

9.30 - 10.45 | Keynote Speech

Confirmed Speaker: Katherine Edersheim, Senior Director of
International Alumni Relations and Global Programs, Association
of Yale Alumni

"Career Networks at Yale University -- driven by volunteers"

10.45 - 11.00 | Coffee Break and Networking Session in the Winter Garden

11.00 - 11:45 | Plenary Talk

Confirmed Speaker: Reinhard Jahn, Director MPI for Biophysical
Chemistry, Head of Presidential Commission for the Promotion of
Early Career Scientists

11.45 - 12:00 | Plenary Session

Invited Speaker: Andreas Briel, nanoPet (Alumnus MPI for
Colloids and Interfaces)

"Careers in the Biological Sector"

12.45 - 14.00 | Fingerfood Lunch in the Winter Garden

14.00 - 14.45 | Plenary Session

Confirmed Speaker: Sascha Brozek former Vice-President of Siemens, now Vice-President of KONE (Alumnus MPI AEI),

"Careers in Entrepreneurship"

14.45 - 15.30 | Plenary Session

Speaker: To be announced

"Careers in the Humanities"

15.30 - 15.45 | Coffee Break and Networking Session in the Winter Garden

15.45 - 16.35 | Plenary Session

Confirmed Speaker: Kamila Markram, Co-Founder and CEO of Frontiers, Autism Group Leader at EPFL Lausanne (Alumna MPI for Brain Research)

"Careers in the Life Sciences"

16.35 - 19.00 | Networking Sessions

19.00 | Barbeque Dinner in the Harnack House Garden



Tuesday, August 23rd 2016 (Goethe-Saal, unless indicated otherwise)

9.15 - 9.45 | Opening speech

Speaker: Birgit Adam, Alumn Relations of the Max Planck Society,
General Administration (Alumna MPI for marine Microbiology)

"The future of lifelong Max Planck connections"

9.45 - 10.15 | Keynote Speech

Speaker: Filippo Guarnieri, Nordita Institute (Alumnus MPI for
Gravitational Physics and Chairman of the Max Planck Alumni
Association e.V.)

*"The Max Planck Alumni Association: bridging the gap between
academia and industry."*

10.15 - 10.30 | Coffee Break and Networking Session in the Winter Garden

10.30 - 11:00 | Plenary Session

Speaker: Luca Spani Molella, OHB System AG (Alumnus MPI for
Gravitational Physics) and Dennis Fink, mediomix (Alumnus MPI
for Marine Microbiology)

*"MPAA I: A worldwide network of Max Planck alumns to support
innovation and professional growth."*

11.00 - 11.30 | Plenary Session

Speaker: Albert Presas i Puig, University of Barcelona (Alumnus
MPI for the History of Science) and Ali Shahmoradi, Stanford
University (Alumnus MPI for experimental Medicine)

*"MPAA II: Clubs and Groups as geographical and specialized
centers for networking, mentoring and career support."*

11.30 - 11.45 | Coffee Break and Networking Session in the Winter Garden

11.45 - 12.30 | Plenary Discussion

Moderator: to be announced

"MPAA III. Vision and Mission: alumni and the Max Planck Society in 20 years from now."

12.30 - 14.00 | Fingerfood Lunch in the Winter Garden

14.00 - 15.00 | 1st Breakout Sessions in individual Workshop rooms

preliminary workshop topics: (please choose your preference during registration and request additional workshop topics to be held)

"Professional network: How to grow a professional network, share experience and bridge the gap between industry and academia. (working title, workshop chair t.b.a.)

"Infrastructures and services: Which channels and tools could foster scientific and professional exchange among Max Planck alumni and researchers?" (working title, workshop chair t.b.a.)

"Clubs and Groups: Alumn clubs and groups as providers of professional support, either based on regions or topics." (working title, workshop chair t.b.a.)

15.00 - 15.05 | Room Change

15.05 - 16.15 | 2nd Breakout Sessions in individual Workshop rooms

preliminary workshop topics: (please choose your preference during registration and request additional workshop topics to be held)

"Alumn engagement: How to better commit and engage alumni and researchers in volunteering?" (working title, workshop chair t.b.a.)

"Big ideas: Bold ideas to shape tomorrow's alumn programs, science, and society." (working title, workshop chair t.b.a.)

"Mentoring: A straightforward way for alumni to stay in contact with their former Institute and consult or recruit Max Planck researchers. " (working title, workshop chair t.b.a.)

16.15 - 16.30 | Coffee Break and Networking Session in the Winter Garden

16.30 - 17:30 | 3rd Breakout Sessions in individual Workshop rooms

preliminary workshop topics: (please choose your preference during registration and request additional workshop topics to be held)

"Career service: How to promote the entry of alumni and early career researchers into the job market." (working title, workshop chair t.b.a.)

"Lifelong learning: Scientific and professional training for Max Planck alumni." (working title, workshop chair t.b.a.)

17.30 - 17.35 | Room Change

17.35 - 18.00 | Plenary Discussion

Moderator: Ghazaleh Afshar, SAP (formerly MPI for Dynamics and Selforganization)

"MPAA IV: Alumni programs and tomorrow's professional support to Max Planck alumni and researchers."

18.00 | Formal Conference Dinner in the Harnack Restaurant and Jam Session at the Einstein Lounge



Wednesday, August 24th 2016

- 9.15 - 10.15 | Opening speech and Keynote Speech in the Goethe Lecture Hall
Speakers: to be announced
- 10.15 - 12.30 | Career Fair / Networking Sessions / Unconferences
- 12.30 - 14.00 | Fingerfood Lunch in the Winter Garden
- 14.00 - 18.30 | Career Fair / Networking Sessions / Unconferences / City Tours
- 18.30 | Concluding remarks and Festive Opening of the Cultural Running Dinner

Thursday, August 25th 2016

- 9.00 | Departure