



## Environmental Sciences Research Network Postdoc Retreat

13-15 September 2017 at Lunz am See, Lower Austria

Organised by the Environmental Sciences Research Network of the University of Vienna



### Announcement

The [Environmental Sciences Research Network](#) (ESRN) of the University of Vienna aims at bringing together researchers from various disciplines – from social sciences and the humanities to natural sciences – to jointly develop new perspectives and creative ideas for future environmental research. In summer 2017 the ESRN organises a postdoc retreat in order to build bridges across the postdoctoral community in environmental sciences. The overall goal is to provide young researchers from the ESRN member institutions with opportunities to network, to sensitize for interdisciplinary research approaches and to encourage exchange and communication, including guidance in science communication.

- When?** 13-15 September 2017 (2 nights)
- Where?** [WasserCluster Lunz](#), Dr. Carl Kupelwieser Promenade 5, A-3293 Lunz am See, Austria (approx. 150 km from Vienna)
- Who?** Postdocs of the [active ESRN member institutions](#) of the University of Vienna\*; participation is limited to max. 20 postdocs; candidates must have a PhD degree and not more than six years postdoc experience (PhD plus 6 years, waiting periods such as maternity leave are excluded); for formal reasons all applicants must be employed at the University of Vienna during the duration of the retreat – if you are interested, **please apply until 14<sup>th</sup> May 2017** (see [Your Application](#) below)
- What?** Scientific and interdisciplinary exchange, networking, science communication (working language: English)

# Preliminary Programme

## Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> September 2017

- 12:30 Departure from UZA I/II, Althanstraße 14, 1090 Vienna
- 15:00 Registration and refreshments at WasserCluster Lunz
- 15:45 [Welcome](#)
- 16:00 [Scientific Session on Water, Water Management and Governance](#) (title of lecture TBD)  
by **Klement Tockner**, Professor of Aquatic Ecology & President of the Austrian Science Fund FWF
- 17:30 Joint walk to nearby restaurant
- 18:00 [45 Minutes with the FWF President](#)  
Q&A session with FWF President Klement Tockner on interdisciplinary research in environmental sciences, trends and related demands from funding agencies and decision-makers
- 18:45 Dinner
- 20:15 [Oral Postdoc Presentations Session 1](#)
- 21:15 Social Get-together

## Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> September 2017

- 09:00 [Introduction to WasserCluster Lunz](#)
- 09:30 [Oral Postdoc Presentations Session 2](#)
- 10:30 Coffee Break
- 11:00 [Exploring Dimensions of Responsibility in the Context of Water Research – Introduction](#)  
by **Ulrike Felt**, Professor of Science and Technology Studies & in cooperation with the Research Platform [Responsible Research and Innovation in Academic Practice](#) of the University of Vienna
- 12:15 Lunch
- 13:30 [Moderated Discussions in Small Groups](#)
- 15:30 Coffee Break
- 16:00 [Group Presentations](#)
- 17:30 Free Time
- 19:00 [Meet the Journalist](#)  
Drinks and dinner with **Marlene Nowotny**, science journalist Ö1/ORF
- 20:30 [Postdocs Speed Dating Event](#)

## Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> September 2017

- 9:00 [Science Communication – How to Talk to Journalists About My Research?](#)  
Session 1 with Marlene Nowotny
- 10:30 Coffee Break
- 11:00 [Science Communication – Developing Interviewing Skills](#)  
Session 2 with Marlene Nowotny
- 12:00 [Wrap-up Session and Feedback](#)
- 13:00 [Closing Remarks](#)
- 13:30 Departure to University of Vienna, UZA I/II

## Your Application

**Are you interested in joining us?** Please submit your **motivation letter** (max. 1 page) and a **short CV** (max. 1 page) in English by **14<sup>th</sup> May 2017** to [umwelt@univie.ac.at](mailto:umwelt@univie.ac.at) with the key word “ESRN Postdoc Retreat” in the subject line (only one single PDF file saved as NAME\_GIVENNAME\_PDR2017.pdf). The selection committee is striving for disciplinary diversity. Candidates will be grouped according to their disciplinary origin and selected based on a drawing lots procedure. Selected candidates will be informed by end of May 2017.

## Travel & Accommodation

The ESRN will arrange for transport and accommodation. There are **no registration fees** and **no travel and accommodation costs**. Only lunch and dinner will be on the participants' own expenses.

\* **Active ESRN member institutions** are the Faculty of Earth Sciences, Geography and Astronomy, the Faculty of Life Sciences, the Faculty of Physics, the Faculty of Chemistry, the Faculty of Social Sciences, the Faculty of Philological and Cultural Studies as well as the Research Network “Chemistry meets Microbiology”. Only postdocs of these faculties and research networks are eligible to apply.

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