





Foreword from the President

Dear Friends, Sponsors and Members of the University of Passau,



The academic year 2016-17 was characterised by our efforts to raise the University's visibility and taking stock of where we stand in terms of our agreed targets. We participated in all three tracks

of the federal-state programmes and were successful in one of them: Innovative University. Although we were ultimately unsuccessful with two of the proposals (Cluster of Excellence and Tenure Track), the fact that we pooled our strengths – a necessary condition for such proposals – allowed us to learn a great deal and enhanced our competitiveness. Our great efforts to fulfil our obligations under the development agreements have been fruitful and current statistics show that we have successfully met our targets. The Governance and Strategy Division, the Student Registration Office, the International Office and the Student Marketing Section as well as the Room Planning Service have done excellent work. I should like to use this opportunity to give my heartfelt thanks to all who have done their part to achieve this positive outcome. Reaching our targets not only ensures that we continue to have access to resources from the development plan but also demonstrates that the University of Passau is a reliable partner for the Bavarian Education Ministry.

This President's Report is an important step towards making visible the substantial achievements of the University – but also its shortcomings. We will continue to develop this report over the next several years to document, for you, our path to becoming the European centre of basic research on the implications of digitalisation.

Further information on the research, teaching and knowledge transfer activities of the University of Passau and its four faculties can, furthermore, be found on our website, *www.uni-passau.de* and in our official university magazine, *Campus Passau*.

Research & Support for Early Career Researchers

Guiding theme

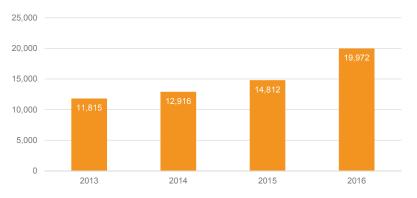
Research and teaching at the University is focused on the overarching theme of 'Digitalisation, Networked Society and (Internet) Cultures', which reflects the interdisciplinary identity of the University and the long tradition of co-operation between the Faculty of Law, the Faculty of Business, Economics and Information Systems, the Faculty of Arts and Humanities and the Faculty of Computer Science and Mathematics.

Times Higher Education Ranking 2017	Support for Early Career Researchers (ECR)
For the first time, the University of Passau took part in the global THE Ranking in 2017. Gaining a place in the 201–250 group, we are among the best 25 percent of universities worldwide.	In summer semester 2017, the University adopted Guidelines on Employment and Qualification Policies for Early Career Researchers.
Quality Management and Diversity	Committee for the Ethics of Security-Related Research

Vision 2028

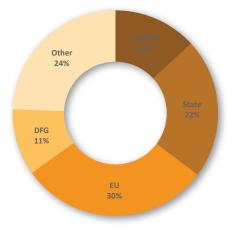
By its 50th anniversary, in 2028, the University intends to become one of the leading European centres of basic research on the societal implications of digitalisation.

Intake of external funds over time (EUR '000)



The intake of external funds graphic shows the development of acquired external funds in recent fiscal years. These are usually earmarked for externally funded projects over the following years.

External funds in 2016 by funding organisation (%)



Funding

ERC Grant

- Advanced Grant ReConFort Reconsidering Constitutional Formation, Constitutional Communication by Drafting, Practice and Interpretation in 18th and 19th Century Europe, Professor Ulrike Müßig, Chair of Civil Law, German and European Legal History, 2014–18
- ERC Starting Grant iHEARu, Professor Björn Schuller, Chair of Complex and Intelligent Systems, 2014–18

ZD.B Professorship

Professor Louisa Specht Chair of European and International Information and Data Law since 1 January 2017

Research Training Group

DFG Research Training Group on Privacy and Digitalisation 2012–21

Heisenberg Professorship

Professor Sven Apel Chair of Software Engineering 2013–18

ZD.B Junior Research Groups

- ZD.B Junior Research Group on Data Neutrality & Open Access: Coherent Economic Policies for the Digital Economy', Dr Daniel Schnurr, Chair of Internet and Telecommunications Business, 2017–23
- ZD.B Junior Research Group 'PICCARD Improving Communication and Collaboration of Developers', Dr Janet Siegmund, Chair of Software Engineering, 2017–23

Awards (selection)

Medal of Honour for meritorious service to Bavaria in a united Europe University President Carola Jungwirth

Chevalier de l'Ordre des Palmes Académiques of the Republic of France Professor Harald Kosch

Cross Border Award 2017 of IHK Lower Bavaria and the chambers of commerce for Upper Austria and Southern Bohemia *Professor Burkhard Freitag*

Best Practice Paper Award 2017 of the German Academic Association for Business Research (VHB) Professor Carolin Häussler

Swiss Academy of Marketing Science Award 2017 Professor Jan Schumann

Internationalisation Award of the University of Passau 2016 Professor Joachim Posegga, Perspektive Osteuropa initiative

Karl Heinz Pollok Memorial Award of Neuburger Gesprächskreis e.V. *PD Dr Christian Thiemann* IHK Award 2016 of the Chamber of Industry and Commerce for Lower Bavaria Lukas Gebhard, Svea Holtmann, Andreas Ihl, Laura Renate Körner, Raphaela Roth, Franziska Schlichte, Katharina Schnellhammer

Doctoral Thesis Award 2016 of Sparda-Bank Ostbayern eG Dr Barbara Sandfuchs

Doctoral Thesis Award 2016 of Sparkasse Passau Dr Philipp Jovanovic

Doctoral Thesis Award 2016 of the Friends and Sponsors of the University Dr Matthias Herz

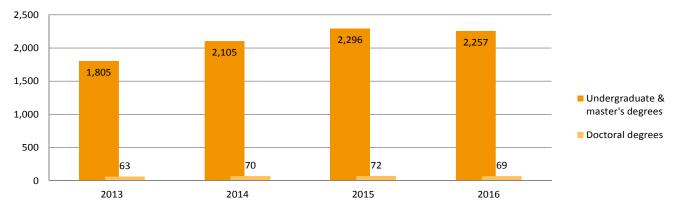
Doctoral Thesis Award 2016 of the University of Passau Dr Marcus Giamattei

Kulturpreis Bayern 2016 of Bayernwerk AG Dr Lorenz Mayr

Award for Good Teaching at the Public Universities of Bavaria 2016 Dr Claudia Mayer, LL.M.

Award for Good Teaching at the University of Passau 2016 Arne Bilzhaus, Dominic Habel, Melanie Kunz, Dr Elisabeth Müller, Dr Edyta Opyd, Brigitta Schira

Undergraduate, master's and doctoral degrees (absolute figures)



The figures for academic years 2013-16 are derived from the official statistics (published on 1 December each year)

Alumni

Since its opening in 1978, the University of Passau has produced some 35,000 graduates.

Doctorates

The University is not satisfied with the number of completed doctoral projects and will direct great attention to the effective advancement of Early Career Researchers over the coming years.

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Degree programmes

Through its four faculties, the University of Passau offers a total of 39 degree programmes. Students can study abroad at one of the 235 worldwide partner universities as part of their degree programme.

Bachelor's degrees	Double degree programmes
15 undergraduate programmes concluding with a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Bakkalaureus/Bakkalaurea Artium (B.A.), Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.) or a Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.).	Eighteen double degree programmes with international partner universities.
Master's degrees	Programmes of study concluding with a state examination

Doctorates

Upon completion of any of the master's programmes – or even a bachelor's programme with very good grades – students can take up doctoral study.

Students (absolute figures)



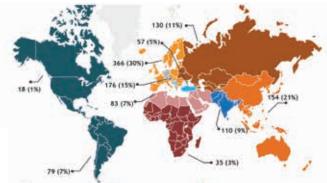
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International students

In 2016, a total of 1,208 international students from some 100 countries studied on our campus. The University has registered a particularly strong increase in students from Asian countries.

Provenance of students in 2016 (absolute and relative figures)





German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

Ninety-one students of the University of Passau (0.77% of all students) are DAAD scholarship-holders. This puts the University of Passau in 3rd place among the 100 DAAD member universities in Germany.

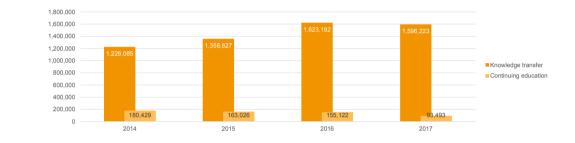
Scholarships (selection)	
	Scholarship ratio
German Academic Scholarship Foundation	55 students (0.48%)
Studienstiftung der Deutschen Wirtschaft	23 students (0.20%)
Deutschlandstipendium	48 students (0.41%)
Bavarian Elite Academy	4 students (0.04%)

Numerous additional scholarship organisations support students and doctoral researchers of the University of Passau with their various scholarship programmes. This includes the European Union; the Federal Ministry of Education and Research; the Bavarian State Ministry of Education, Science and the Arts; the associations of the University of Passau; foundations and other institutions as well as support received under the Bavarian Equal Treatment Act.

Funding

The Bavarian State Ministry of Education, Science and the Arts, through Zentrum Digitalisierung.Bayern (ZD.B), provides funding for the establishment of two certificate programmes in Digital Technology and Entrepreneurship. The funding term is three years with a total funding volume 1.4 million euros. This offering is directed at students and doctoral researchers of all faculties of the University of Passau and is aligned with the topics of 'Entrepreneurial Pathfinder' and 'Honours Degree in Digital Technology and Entrepreneurship'.

Knowledge Transfer



Intake of external funds over time (EUR)

University spin-outs (absolute figures)



EXIST entrepreneurship scholarships

- The Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy awards EXIST entrepreneurship scholarships for innovative technology-focused start-ups.
- Two teams (of 5 persons each) from the University of Passau received EXIST entrepreneurship scholarships in 2016 and 2017, totalling EUR 229,500.

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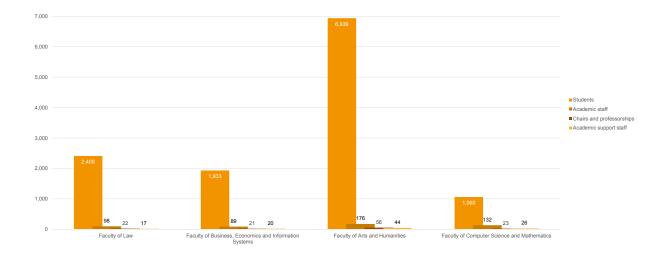
TRIO. University Conglomerate for Knowledge Transfer and Innovation in Eastern Bavaria

- The participating higher education institutions (HEI) receive approximately 15 million euros for a period of five years from the 'Innovative University' funding line of the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research. This is intended to promote the further development and professionalisation of knowledge and technology transfer between the HEIs and their regional partners on the basis of a jointly elaborated knowledge transfer strategy.
- Consortium members are OTH Regensburg, OTH Amberg-Weiden, Deggendorf Institute of Technology, Landshut University of Applied Sciences and the University of Passau; the University of Regensburg participates as a co-operative partner.
- Professor Burkhard Freitag is the academic director of the project. He is also Spokesperson for the INDIGO steering committee and the ZD.B theme platform 'Digitalisation in Education, Science and Culture'.

Centre for Entrepreneurship in Digitalisation in Lower Bavaria

- The Free State of Bavaria wishes to establish itself as the engine behind digitalisation in Germany. To this end, the Bavarian State Ministry of Economic Affairs and Media, Energy and Technology has set up a programme to support entrepreneurship centres, net working activities and business start-ups in the field of digitalisation. An ideas competition stood at the start of the funding procedure.
- The City of Passau entered the competition with a joint proposal for an 'Entrepreneurship Centre for Digitalisation in Lower Bavaria' involving the three Lower-Bavarian university towns of Passau, Deggendorf and Landshut. The project partners are, respectively, the City and District of Passau, Deggendorf Institute of Technology, Innovations Technologie Campus Deggendorf GmbH (ITC Deggendorf), the City and District of Deggendorf, Landshut University of Applied Sciences, and the City and District of Landshut. This successful proposal was the starting signal for the Centre for Entrepreneurship in Digitalisation in Lower Bavaria.
- 'inn.kubator Passau' (the name makes reference to the river Inn, which runs through Passau) is the Passau branch of the Centre for Entrepreneurship in Digitalisation in Lower Bavaria.

Student and staff structure (absolute figures and distribution across the faculties)



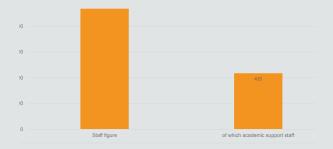
The University of Passau has 122 professors, 21.3% of which are women (as at 23 October 2017). On 1 September 2017, there were a total 1,113 staff in primary occupation. Of these, 678 were academic staff and 435 academic support staff. These are preliminary figures.

Staff Structure

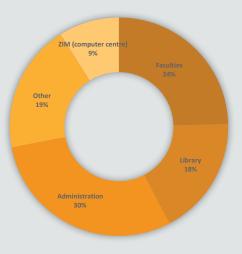
New professorial appointments

- Chair of Medieval German Literature, held by Professor Andrea Sieber since 1 January 2017
- Chair of European and International Information and Data Law (ZD.B Chair), held by Professor Louisa Specht since 1 January 2017
- Professorship of Cryptography, held by Professor Jens Zumbrägel since 1 April 2017
- Chair of Psychology, held by Professor Christof Wecker since 10 June 2017
- Chair of Data Science, held by Professor Michael Granitzer since 3 July 2017 (previously: Professorship of Media Computer Science)
- Chair of Science Communication (Technik Plus Chair), held by Professor Hannah Schmid-Petri since 1 August 2017

Academic support staff (absolute figures and distribution across the University units)



'Other' includes the academic support staff of the Sports Centre (<1%), of the central academic units (7%) and the central operative and technical units (9%). These figures are preliminary (as at 1 September 2017).



Overall budget (EUR)

	2013	2014	2015	2016
State funds	54,287,000	54,953,000	55,386,100	55,661,600
External funds	8,496,000	9,888,000	11,089,000	12,411,000
Tuition fees or student subsidies	6,579,000	5,981,000	7,218,000	6,468,400
Total budget	69,362,000	70,822,000	73,693,000	74,541,000

The total budget includes the actual sum of the expenses spent from the external funds in the respective fiscal year. The external funds spent in 2016 were mostly acquired during previous years.



Facts and figures. President's Report 2016-17

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