

WIAS News



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NEWS

Graduations in the next four weeks

- Han Mulder ABG 27 April
- Sharif Uddin AFI 2 May

IN-DEPTH COURSES, SEMINARS AND SYMPOSIA

Understanding Genotype by Environment Interactions: The Biological Basis for Improved Management and Selection Strategies

Organised on 25-29 June, this course bridges the interests of animal physiologists and geneticists in a unique way and with excellent teachers. It was a great success two years ago (see WIAS Update 2006). Registration before 27 April at www.wias.nl/courses/view_course.php?ID=66.

Long-term response to selection and QTL-mapping

A seminar on the occasion of the graduation of Han Mulder, 27 April 2007, WICC Wageningen. See: www.wias.nl/courses/view_course.php?ID=73.

Statistics for Life Sciences

A few places are still available and the deadline for registration is 5 May, so be quick. On the WIAS website www.wias.nl/courses/view_course.php?ID=71 you can register and find more detailed information on the course – amongst others on prior knowledge required for this course.

International Conference on Farm Animal Reproduction

Rolduc, Kerkrade, the Netherlands from May 27 till May 30, 2007.

The theme of the conference is: 'From Egg to Embryo – Basic Research and Implications', covering the latest 'state of the art' in the fundamental science of the period from oocyte maturation to early embryo development in farm animals focusing on cattle and pigs.

As a satellite to this scientific conference, **Thursday, May 31st**, a symposium will be dedicated to **Cattle Reproduction**, a day aimed at practitioners and others that are interested in the application of science in dairy practice. Further information on scientific program and registration can be found on: <http://www.nfsar.nl/icfar>

Wageningen Summer Courses in Advanced Econometrics Mansholt Graduate School; June 2007

Two well known researchers and highly gifted teachers in econometrics (Marno Verbeek and William Greene) will provide successive courses on panel data (longitudinal datasets) analyses (18 to 22 June 2007) and discrete choice (25 to 29 June 2007). The courses are 'hands on' and will provide researchers appropriate tools for their analyses. For more information, course brochures and registration see: <http://www.sls.wau.nl/mi/mgs/courses/index.htm>. For signing up you should not wait too long because filling up the course goes rather quick and the courses might be full before closing day.

SKILLS COURSES

WIAS Workshop Writing winning grant proposals

WIAS Director Johan van Arendonk will give this workshop for the third time now. Dates have been set at: afternoons 13.30 – 17.00 h in room C on 25 May, 21 June, 20 September, 11 October and 13 December. One or two places are still available. Register quickly by e-mail to Gerrie van Eck.

WGS Courses

Language Related Courses

- [Scientific Writing](#) (start next course: May 10, 2007)
- [The Art of Writing](#) (new dates to be determined)
- [Presentation Skills](#) (start next course: May 21, 2007)
- [Techniques for Writing and Presenting a Scientific Paper](#) (start next course: April 17, 2007)
- [Writing Grant Proposals](#) (Start next course: April 5, 2007)

Career Oriented Courses

- [Career Perspectives](#) (new dates to be determined)
- [Career Orientation](#) (start next course October 17, 2007)

Skills

- [Project- and Time Management](#) (start next course: September 11, 2007)
- [PhD Media Training](#) (new dates to be determined)
- [Scientific Publishing](#) (new dates to be determined)
- [Professional Communication Strategies](#) (new dates to be determined)
- [Information Literacy](#) (start next course: May 14, 2007)
- [Personal Efficacy](#) (start next course: April 26, 2007)
- [Creating Your Scientific Network](#) (start next course: April 13, 2007)

PhD Assessments

- [PhD Competence Assessment](#) (start next assessment: September 5, 2007)
- [Career Assessment](#) (start nest assessment: continuous)

Other Courses

- [Ethics and the public role of social scientists](#) (new dates to be determined)
- [Ethics and Philosophy of Animal Science](#) (new dates to be determined)

Courses for Supervisors

- [Supervising PhD students](#) (new dates to be determined)

Library courses

24 April: Searching the Wageningen UR Digital Library, 16.00-16.45, room C75, Leeuwenborch (free)
9 May: Working with EndNote 9, 09.00-12.30, room PC713, Forum (€ 100)

14/15 May: Information Literacy for PhD including Introduction EndNote, room PC707, Forum (€ 260, with approved TSP € 130)

NWO-Talent Classes

More than a 1,000 researchers have already participated in the NWO Talent Days, since we have started organizing them in 2003. Most participants clearly indicated to have a need for a follow-up, with more in-depth and personalized information. We received a lot of positive and enthusiastic reactions from the participants, and also many requests for continuing with these Talent Classes.

On 12 June and 25 September 2007 we will have NWO-Talent Classes and you are invited to participate. Here's your chance to get professional training and advice against a reduced fee. Please check the website www.nwo.nl/talentclasses for registration and information.

The master classes take up one full day and deal with one of the following issues. The master classes are in Dutch, unless indicated otherwise. If you don't speak Dutch, but would like to participate in a Dutch-spoken workshop, let us know by sending an email to verdieping@nwo.nl. Indicate your name, email address and workshop of choice, and the organisation will do its best to respect your wish.

More master classes on 30 October and 4 December

FUNDING AND AWARDS

European Researchers Mobility Portal

This portal from the European Union, provides available positions within Europe on ERACAREERS http://ec.europa.eu/eracareers/index_en.cfm for:

- Experienced Researchers (4-10 years of experience)
- Early Stage Researchers (<4 years of experience)

The portal also provides a structural way of showing your CV to registered organisations!

Carolina MacGillavry PhD Fellowship programme

This fellowship is intended for a sandwich PhD programme for young scientific researchers in the natural and life sciences coming from one of the Southern African Development Countries (SADC). The Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences (KNAW) will award one PhD fellowship per annum to a maximum of € 50.000. Nominations for the Carolina MacGillavry PhD Fellowship can be submitted to the KNAW **until 15 May 2007**. For detailed information about conditions and a nomination form, please visit:

http://www.knaw.nl/cfdata/subsidies/subsidie_detail.cfm?orgid=36.

Thesis printing

In our daily contacts with PhD candidates PrintPartners Ipskamp has encountered a need for information about how to correctly supply a manuscript. That is why we are organising information sessions titled; 'What do I need to think about when I'm having my thesis printed?'

At Wageningen University and Research Centre such an information session is organised on the **2nd of May at 3.00 PM**. The information session will take place in **room C26 in building number 537 (Haarweg 333)**. The presentation will be in English.

The programme for this information session will be:

1. Introduction
2. Lay-out of thesis
3. How to make a correct digital file
4. Deliver manuscript to PPI
5. Specifications of thesis
6. Printproof and approval for printing
7. Printing process and delivery
8. Questions and Answers

During this presentation we would also like to offer you a discount. If you register for our reduction list, you are entitled to a reduction of up to 12.5 %, no obligation.

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