

WIAS News

9 June 2009



WIAS Peer Review

Today, the international WIAS Peer Review has started. In the coming two days, the committee will have interviews with all Chair groups, WAPS Council, Education Committee, PhD Confidants, WIAS Director Bas Kemp, and with the Chairman of the WIAS International Advisory Board, Sjoerd Wendelaar. They also will talk with a few individual PhD students and postdocs, with the Rector of our University, Martin Kropff, the Director General of the Animal Sciences group, Martin Scholten, the Director of Wageningen Livestock Research in Lelystad, Paul Vriesekoop, and with Leo den Hartog, Chairman of the WIAS Board and Director of Nutreco Agriculture R&D.

Next Thursday 11 June, at 15:30 in room 80 Zodiac, the committee will report its findings in a **public debriefing meeting**. You are all very welcome!

Why a peer review?

- Improvement of research management and leadership
- Improvement of PhD programme
- Improvement of quality of research

Members Review Committee:

Prof. Paul Moughan, Palmerston North, New Zealand, *Chair*

Wil Meulepas, MSc, Wageningen UR, *Secretary*

Prof. Chris Haley, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK

Prof. Dominic F.J. Houlihan, Aberdeen, Scotland, UK

Prof. Jaap Koolhaas, Haren, The Netherlands

Prof. Kurt-J. Peters, Berlin, Germany

Prof. Mark E.J. Woolhouse, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK

Graduations

Esther Ellen ABG 9 June at 13:30 in the Aula

Lecture by Dr. Daniel Pauly

Today, 9 June at 16:00, at Zodiac, room 80, Dr Daniel Pauly (Dr *honoris causa* of Wageningen University dd 2008 and famous fisheries specialist of 'fishing down the foodweb', 'ecopath' and other contributions) will give a lecture '*Fisheries and global changes impacts on marine fisheries and ecosystems and food security*'. Please feel invited.

Lecture by Jorge Cham

Jorge Cham, the author of the PhD cartoons (www.phdcomics.com) will give a lecture on **Tuesday, 23 June, at 20:00 h, Forum building, lecture room C222.**

Many of you might know and appreciate his daily cartoons about the ups and downs of PhD life. Next to Nijmegen University and University of Amsterdam Jorge Cham will be visiting Wageningen as well. His talk will be about getting out of your 'desolation' as a PhD-student, better collaboration, work more effectively... After his talk there will be some drinks and the possibility to talk to Jorge and purchase his book. Please register for this event by sending an e-mail to vlag@wur.nl (important for drinks and safety issues). Looking forward a fun PhD-event!

[Advanced visualisation, integration and biological interpretation of -omics data - 1st edition](#)

On 26 - 28 October 2009, Wageningen. Organised by the graduate School VLAG in cooperation with Division of Human Nutrition (WU) and Graduate School WIAS.

WIAS Courses

For information go to www.wias.wur.nl.

WGS Courses

For more information go to: [General courses](#)

NWO-Talent Days and Talent Classes

In 2009, NWO will organise a Talent Day on 6 October. Registration for will start in June.

The 'Talent Days' series helps you developing other skills than technical skills, such as writing, networking and planning.

A Talent Class is an extensive workshop, based on the Talent Day. In fall 2009 the following dates are planned for the Talent Classes: 22 September, 10 November and 8 December. Registration for these Fall Talent Classes is open now. ([visit NWO](#))

Entrepreneurial Boot Camp: Entrepreneurship and Valorization in Life Sciences

This is a joint initiative of the Dutch Agro-Food Network of Entrepreneurship (DAFNE) and the University of Wisconsin, Madison, USA. This Summer school for PhD students wants to create awareness of new invention and its possible impact through scouting, screening and assessing; and protecting and commercially exploiting knowledge (intellectual property).

The Boot Camp will be organized in two blocks of five days:

19 - 24 July 2009, Wisconsin University in Madison (USA) and in Autumn 2009 in Wageningen. Each course will have a mixed group of Dutch and American PhD students (and other researchers) and a mixed group of Dutch and American teachers. Only one or two more places available ([visit DAFNE](#) or [download brochure in pdf](#)).