

Global IMAT-Alumni Network 2.0: Expert Training for Sustainable Development

Program 2026

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Date/ Time	Event/ Topic	Speaker
23 April 2026 13:00 – 15:00 (CEST)	IMAT-Alumni Network Conference 2026 <i>[online conference]</i> Global IMAT-Alumni Network 2.0: an interim status and the way forward "Building Specialized Alumni Networks: Professional Development and SDG-Focused Collaboration" - Presentation and Evaluation of the measures in 2025, special training requirements for 2026 and initiated project ideas <i>[Online survey and registration]</i>	Host: Prof. Dr. Peter Heck, Econ. Julia Veckes and Eng. Jackeline Martinez IfaS, IMAT students, alumni, partner universities and network institutions
September 2026 (tbc) 13:00– 14:00 (CEST)	Strategy Workshop 2026 <i>[Online workshop]</i> IMAT study programmes: Quo vadis? Definition of key topics for 2026 according to evaluated training requirements of IMAT experts - Conception of the training measures and coordination of project-related measures in 2026	IfaS staff members and 20 IMAT alumni <i>[selected candidates]</i>
IMAT career pathways <i>online lecture series, pls. use the following zoom link to join: https://zoom.us/j/9285013174</i>		
11 Mai 2026 13:00 – 15:00 (CEST)	"Sustainability Assessment: an evolving Metrics, Standards, and Accountability landscape"	Dr. Angel Avadi
01 June 2026 9:00 am – 12:10 (CEST)	"Chinas efforts to transform to a low carbon society"	Prof. Dr. Xiaolong Zou
29 June 2026 09:00 am – 12:10 (CEST)	Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services: The Forgotten Pillar of Climate Action"	Dr. John Loomis

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Online training series, registration is open: <https://www.imat-master.com/imat-alumni-network/>

18 June 2026 13:00 – 15:00 (CEST)	Expert Training Webinar I "Sustainability Strategies in the Industry" - Sustainability Challenges and Requirements for Industry - Driving Change: Talent and Transformation in China's EV Industry - Sustainable fishing: From theory to practice - Real applications of circular economy	Eng. Jackeline Martínez International Project Manager IfaS Jan Weiten International Project Manager IfaS Eng. Alejandro Pliego Head of Talent Development and Qualification Center, FAW-Volkswagen Automotive, China Eng. Fernando Miranda del Solar Director Research and Development. Austral Group S.A.A., Peru
27 August 2026 13:00 – 15:00 (CEST)	Expert Training Webinar II (registrations open) "Women Empowerment: Leadership and gender equality in sustainable development" - Women 's Empowerment through Law: Advancing Gender Equality and Sustainable Leadership - Leading Beyond Extraction: Women, AI Governance, and Sustainable Civil Society Leadership - Power on Purpose: Reflections by Dr. Cle-Anne Gabriel - The most unsustainable supply chain in the world has no sustainability report	Julia Veckes International Project Manager IfaS Prof. Dr. Kathrin Nitschmann Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Environmental Business and Law, ECB Prof. Dr. Milena Valeva Faculty of Environmental Business and Law, ECB Dr. Cle-Anne Gabriel Founder & CEO ThinkZero, Australia Ekaterina Porras Sovolobova Founder and director of the human rights NGO "Do Bold"
24 September 2026 13:00 – 15:00 (CEST)	Expert Training Webinar III (registrations opens soon) "Resilience Strategies for DAC-Countries" tbc - Title tbc - Presentation of the ENSURE EU-Project. Empowering Net Zero Skills for Sri Lanka's Sustainable and Resilient Future	Navoda Senanayake International Project Manager IfaS (tbc) Dr. Ariane Albers Dr. Kudabadu Jayawickrama Chaminda Kumara Sri Lanka Institute of Information Technology (SLIIT)

IMAT-Alumni Conference: a parallel session of "International Circular Economy Week 2026"*onsite conference at ECB, detailed agenda will follow soon on www.icew.de*

15 November 2026 apart from 2:00 pm [CET]	IfaS-25 Year Celebration <i>Kick Off and Networking Event</i>	Prof. Dr. Peter Heck, Managing Director IfaS
16 & 17 November 2026 9:00 am – 6:00 pm [CET]	Technology Site Visits and Cultural Exchanges	
18 November 2026 9:00 am – 6:00 pm [CET]	IMAT-Alumni expert training "Education for Sustainable Development II" - Psychological and social aspects of sustainability - Integration of AI in circular economy strategies - Corporate social responsibility (CSR) and sustainable corporate governance: Best practices	tbc tbc tbc
19 November 2026 9:00 am – 11:00 pm [CET]	17th International Circular Economy Conference (ICEC) with Networking Evening Event	Prof. Dr. Peter Heck, Managing Director IfaS
20 November 2026 9:00 am – 1:00 pm [CET]]	Closing presentation, round of discussion and 1:1 meetings to initiate collaborative projects	Econ. Marco Angilella Lead International Projects

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