



Webinar: French-German Researchers' Day

Zoom, July 9, from 2pm to 5pm

SPEAKERS (BY ALPHABETICAL ORDER)



After graduating from the Ecole Nationale Supérieure de Chimie de Paris (E.N.S.C.P.), **Stéphane Baudron** obtained his Ph. D. from the University of Angers, France, under the supervision of Dr. Patrick Batail in 2002. Following a two-year post-doctoral stay in the group of Prof. Jeffrey R. Long at U.C. Berkeley (USA) supported by a Lavoisier fellowship, he was appointed C.N.R.S. researcher at the University of Strasbourg, France, in 2004. He obtained his habilitation in 2009 and was promoted research director in 2019. He has received a fellowship from the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) for a research stay in the group of Prof. Susumu Kitagawa in Kyoto and an USIAS fellowship. His interests are in coordination and supramolecular chemistry, and novel reaction media.



Janique Bikomo is project manager at the DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) office in Paris, where she coordinates research scholarships for PhD students, Postdocs, and more senior academics and scientists. She holds a Master's degree in translation (Japanese-German-French), media studies and German as foreign language from the University of Bonn, Germany. She started working with the DAAD in 2009 where she managed different scholarships programmes and projects at the main office of the DAAD in Bonn, before joining the DAAD office in Paris in 2016.

About the DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service)

The DAAD is the world's largest funding organisation for the international exchange of students and researchers.

Since it was founded in 1925, around two million scholars in Germany and abroad have received DAAD funding. It is a registered association and its members are German institutions of higher education and student bodies. Its activities go far beyond simply awarding grants and scholarships. The DAAD supports the internationalisation of German universities, promotes German studies and the German language abroad, assists developing countries in establishing effective universities and advises decision makers on matters of cultural, education and development policy.

Its head office is in Bonn, but the DAAD also has an office in the German capital, Berlin, to which the famous Berlin Artists-in-Residence Programme (Berliner Künstlerprogramm) is closely affiliated. It

maintains contact with and provides advice to its main partner countries on every continent via a network of information centres and regional offices such as the regional office in Paris.



My name is **Eva-Maria Hengsbach** and I work at the **Franco-German University (FGU)** in the department “degree programs and graduation”. I’m responsible for our funding programs for doctoral students, so the Franco-German graduate schools and the instrument “Cotutelle de these”.



Pierre Passot, Research and Technology Strategic Partnership Management at **Airbus**

Pierre PASSOT is 53 years old. He started his career in the Computer Aided Design (CAD) area, first at Dassault Systèmes, then at Nexter. Quickly he went back to technic, taking part and then leading the development of naval military embedded systems. In 2003 he took ownership for the Electromechanic Design Department at EADS Defense Electronics. In 2006, he joined Airbus Commercial as Project manager, then in cross-functional activities for Lean and Airbus digital transformation. 1 year ago, he joined the Airbus Research department, in charge of French non-industrial strategic partnerships.



Cyriac Massué, PhD in inorganic chemistry, Policy Officer at **Federal Ministry of Economy and Energy**

Cyriac Massué was born in Strasbourg in a Franco-German family. He graduated as an engineer from Ecole Polytechnique in 2010 and obtained a Master's degree in Chemistry from ETH Zurich in 2012. In 2016 he defended his PhD at TU Berlin in the field of electrocatalytic hydrogen production with highest honors on "Iridium oxohydroxide electrocatalysts for the oxygen evolution reaction". In the course of his research, he published numerous peer-reviewed articles and a patent. Subsequently, during his work as a personal assistant for a Max-Planck-institute director in Berlin, he obtained a professional Master's degree offered by the Ecole nationale d'administration (ENA) and its German counterpart (BAKöV), the Master of European Governance and Administration (MEGA). Since 2019 he has been a policy officer at the German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (BMWi). His area of expertise is the role of hydrogen within the energy transition.



Tobias Rödel, PhD in physics, Senior Editor at **Nature**

Tobias was born in a small village in Northern Bavaria, Germany, and received his M.Sc. in ‘Technology of Nanostructures’ at the University of Würzburg. His studies included a yearlong research internship at the University of Berkeley. His PhD at the University Paris-Saclay was focused on condensed matter physics. A short postdoc at the University of Luxembourg was based on the growth and characterization of thin films for photovoltaic and detector applications. In 2017, Tobias left academia and now works as an editor at the scientific journal ‘Nature’ where he handles manuscripts on condensed matter physics.

Christoph Vernaleken, PhD, Expert Human Factors Engineering at **Airbus**

After graduating with a degree in physics from the University of Würzburg, Christoph joined Darmstadt University of Technology as a research associate and was involved in various EU-funded research programmes. His PhD thesis covers the subject of preventing Runway Incursions using

advanced flight deck displays and alerting. In 2008, he joined the Human Factors Engineering & Flight Deck team at Airbus Defence and Space in Manching, Germany, where he holds the expert position since 2017. Christoph has worked for programmes such as A400M and Tornado, but is also involved in various R&T projects.

Dario Müller, Ambassadeur France Alumni