



**JOINT GRADUATE MEETING**  
**ANIMAL BEHAVIOUR**  

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**2024**

**Programme**

**Wednesday, October 16th**

**Location:** HS 323, Main building University, Universitätsplatz 1, 18055 Rostock

until 02:00 PM: Arrival

02:00 PM: Welcome

02:15 PM: Icebreaker / Idea collection for workshop topics

03:15 PM: **Session 1 “Animal Welfare”**

3:15 PM: Nick Westendorff  
*Area-specific monitoring of activity and vocalization in pigs*

3:35 PM: Jessica Raabe  
*Sound based parameters as bioacoustic indicators for the animal welfare of fattening turkeys*

3:55 PM: Svenja Capitain  
*Ears up: differences in human greeting behaviour between dogs and wolves: A two-sided exploration*

04:15 PM: Coffee break / Idea collection for workshop topics

05:00 PM: **Keynote talk by Dr. Katja Liebal (Part of the ‘Zoologische Vorweisungen’):**  
***Die Einstellung von Kindern gegenüber anderen Tieren – eine kulturvergleichende Perspektive (Children’s attitudes towards other animals – a cross-cultural developmental approach)***

06:30 PM: Social dinner at the restaurant [“L’Osteria”](#)

## Thursday, October 17th

**Location:** Tagungszentrum/ Conference centre, FBN, Wilhelm-Stahl-Allee 2, 18196 Dummerstorf ([bus 113](#))

8:30 AM: Coffee for early arrivers

9:00 AM: Poster placement

9:15 AM: Welcome and organization

9:30 AM: **Session 2 “Acoustic communication”**

9:30 AM: Lena Dressler

*Exploring Proboscis Bat Communication: Insights from Playback Experiments*

9:50 AM: Franziska Eberhardt

*Dialects in neotropical proboscis bat *Rhynchonycteris naso**

10:10 AM: Marisa Tietge

*Temporal stability of learned song dialects in greater sac-winged bats (*Saccopteryx bilineata*)*

10:30 AM: Sophie Holtz

*Mapping neural substrates for the production of functionally different vocalization types in bats*

10:50 AM: Coffee break and **Poster Session**

Anustup Bandyopadhyay

*The impact of alternative reproductive tactics on the cognitive abilities of male wild house mice*

Elizabeth Wilkinson

*A First Look at the Acoustic Behaviour of *Microtus bavaricus*, One of European´s Rarest Mammals*

Franziska Oehlert

*Behavioral Responses to Bird Own Song Playback in Zebra Finches*

Luigi Baciadonna

*Unraveling the neuro-ethological components of emotions in honeybees*

12:15 PM: Lunch

01:30 PM: **Keynote talk by Dr. Pizza Chow:**  
***Problem-solving in wild squirrels***

02:30 PM: Coffee break

03:00 PM: **Workshop/Discussion** Round - until 5:00 PM (bus departs 17:16)

06:30 PM: Social dinner at the restaurant “Café Marat” (within [Peter-Weiss-Haus](#))

## Friday, October 18th

**Location:** Tagungszentrum/ Conference centre, FBN, Wilhelm-Stahl-Allee 2, 18196 Dummerstorf ([bus 113](#))

8:30 AM: Coffee for early arrivers

9:00 AM: Welcome and organization

9:10 AM: **Session 3 “Cognition & Sociality”**

9:10 AM: Eva Mardus

*The numerical competence of the greater spear-nosed bat (*Phyllostomus hastatus*)*

9:30 AM: Jana Deutsch

*Goats who stare at wolves: first steps in the development of an affect-driven attention bias test for small ruminants*

10:10 AM: Alvaro López Caicoya

*Consolation behaviour in pigs*

10:10 AM: Last Coffee Break

10:30 AM: Awards and Closing

11:00 AM: Lunch/Closing

12:00 PM: Tour through the FBN animal facilities (until approximately 3 PM)

## Saturday, October 19th

**Location:** Marine Science Center, Am Yachthafen 3a, 18119 Rostock

10:30 AM: Tour through the Marine Science Center (until 11:30 AM)

The MSC is located at Hohe Düne - please arrange your arrival accordingly. You might want to spend an extra hour for sightseeing in Warnemünde on the other side of the Warnow, too 😊