3rd Symposium of the DAAD-funded Global Centres for Health and Pandemic Prevention

The DAAD Global Health Centres – Five Years of Impact, Five Years of Vision: Transforming Knowledge into Practice

29th of September to 1st of October 2026, Berlin (Tagungswerk, Lindenstraße 85), Germany

Tuesday (29 September)

- 09:00–12:45 **Workshop 1:** Training for Impact: Aligning Global Health Centres' Capacity Strengthening with Workforce Needs — Saal Süd
- 09:00–12:45 **PhD Retreat Part 1:** How to manage your PhD-Project (with Andrea Perino) — Seminar 3
- 11:00–12:45 **Workshop 2:** Take a look back at COVID pandemic — Seminar 2
- 13:00–13:45 Lunch Break
- 14:00–15:15 **Keynotes** by **Dr Oliver Morgan**, Head of the WHO Hub for Pandemic and Epidemic Intelligence, and **Dr Vicente Verez Bencomo**, Former General Director Finlay Vaccine Institute and Director of the Center for the Study of Synthetic Antigens, Cuba — Saal Nord
- 15:30–15:45 Coffee Break
- 16:00–16:45 **OFFICIAL OPENING for both the Health and the Climate Symposium** **Welcome Notes** by Dr Muriel Helbig, Vice President DAAD and Christina Beinhoff, Head of the "Culture and Communication" department, FFO
- 17:00–17:15 **Round Table:** Global Centres: Impact and Vision from an Alumni Perspective — Saal Gesamt
- 17:30–17:45 GROUP PHOTO
- 18:00–18:15 **Common Dinner and Cultural Evening** (until 9.30 p.m.)

Wednesday (30 September)

- 09:00–10:15 **Plenary:** Bridging Research and Policy: Improving Knowledge Exchange for Collaborative Pandemic Preparedness — Seminar 4
- 10:30–10:45 Coffee Break — Seminar 4
- 11:00–11:15 **Poster Talks** — Seminar 4
- 11:45–12:15 **Poster Walk** — Seminar 2
- 12:30–13:15 Lunch Break
- 13:30–15:15 **Plenary** Panel Discussion - Climate Water and Health Nexus — Saal Gesamt
- 15:30–15:45 Coffee Break
- 15:30–16:45 **Workshop 3:** Reframing Global Health and Pandemic Prevention: Strenghening soutern leadership and knowledge systems for equity in research governance — Seminar 2
- 15:30–16:45 **Workshop 4:** Learnings from 10 Years of MOOCs: A Practical Guide for Global Centres — Seminar 3
- 15:30–18:15 **Workshop 5:** International Outbreak Response: Lessons from the field and case simulations — Seminar 4

Thursday (1 October)

- 09:00–12:45 **PhD Retreat Part 2:** How to manage your PhD-Project (with Andrea Perino) — Seminar 4
- 09:00–12:45 **Project Team Meeting (PTM)** *with the whole Project Teams of all Health Centres* — Seminar 2
- 09:00–12:45 **Excursion for everyone not participating in the PhD Retreat or PTM:** 1) Futurium: Explore possible futures 2) Guided tour Campus Charité and visit of Museum of Medical History 3) exhibition "Feliciano Lana: The Story of White People" at Humboldt Forum
- 13:00–13:45 Lunch Break
- 14:00–16:45 **PhD-/PI-Meeting:** 1. Career path examples, 2. Exchange on expectations: what do I expect from my PhD-Student/ Supervisor — Seminar 2
- 14:00–17:45 **Workshop 6:** Designing, impementing and evaluating digital public health interventions: Practical strategies for the Global South — Seminar 4

Please attend only the workshops and excursions you have been assigned to. Allocation was based on your preferences and communicated via E-Mail.
If you don't know which Workshops/ Excursion you are assigned to, please ask at reception desk.
Parts written in blue indicate joint sessions of both the Health Centres Symposium and the Climate Centres Symposium, taking place simultaneously at Tagungswerk.