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## Newsletter #05/2023

Just in time for the start of fall and the semester, we are back with exciting news and reports from our summer activities. First of all, we are happy to announce that the tdAcademy project entered the second funding phase. We are looking forward to further advancing transdisciplinary research together with you in the next two years and to share new insights from the synthesis of our topic lines with you. We would also like to provide you with news about the Society for Transdisciplinary and Participatory Research, which was founded in May 2023. The first general meeting will be held already in November in cooperation with the second conference on networking and strengthening participation in science. So don't wait too long and register. You want to know what we've been up to this summer? Read the reports on our past events. You'll also find information on our upcoming events, a funding opportunity, as well as an introduction to new tdAcademy team members.

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### **News | The tdAcademy project enters its second funding phase**

On June 1, 2023, the second funding phase of the research project tdAcademy, funded by the BMBF, has started. Over the past two years, the tdAcademy has successfully built a dynamic platform for transdisciplinary research and community networking and will add new offerings to this. Research will continue to focus on four topic lines: societal impacts (TU Berlin/ZTG), scientific impacts (ISOE), contextual dependencies for transdisciplinary research (KIT/ITAS, formerly Leuphana University), and new integrative research formats (Öko Institut e.V.). In the second funding phase, the project partners will jointly address the



### **Event | 22 November | First general assembly GTPF | PARTWISS' Conference**

The first general meeting of the Society for Transdisciplinary and Participatory Research will be held in cooperation with the second Conference on Networking and Strengthening Participation in Science at TU Chemnitz (22-24 November). It will take place in the afternoon of November 22 and is open to all members who have registered by that time (online participation is enabled). The event and the general meeting will be held in German. The association addresses all those interested in transdisciplinary and participatory research who reside in a German-speaking region. Register now via

interfaces of the topic lines. Our office is now located at ISOE, please contact us for inquiries at the following address:

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Thank you for being part of our community!

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### Report | Second international tdAcademy Summer School | organised by ZTG and UPC

The second international tdAcademy Summer School took place in 2023 and, once again, found positive resonance. From 17th to 22nd September 19 Master and PhD students with very different disciplinary and geographic background came together in Bad Freienwalde to get to know transdisciplinary methods and to apply them in an exemplary way to questions in rural areas of north-eastern Brandenburg. For all participants, this was an exciting and enriching continuation of the Summer School cooperation between the tdAcademy team at the ZTG and the ISST of the Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya (UPC). [See also the report on their website.](#)

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Event | 16 October | Let's talk about

the new GTPF website ([www.gtpf.science](http://www.gtpf.science)) and take part! The tdAcademy team will be present with several contributions at the conference at TU Chemnitz. You find the German program here. <https://partizipation-wissenschaft.de/>

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### Report | First trinational tdAcademy Summer School | organised by Öko-Institut and EUCOR

The first trinational tdAcademy Summer School took place from 25.09. to 29.09.2023 at the Studienhaus Wiesneck (Buchenbach, close to Freiburg), conceptualized and organized by the tdAcademy team at Öko-Institut in cooperation with EUCOR and the University of Freiburg. 20 Master and PhD students from 20 disciplines from the trinational EUCOR region spent five days intensively working on formats and methods of transdisciplinary research using the example of urban climate adaptation. The participants applied their theoretical findings directly to the development of possible transdisciplinary research designs in the city of Emmendingen and discussed them with representatives of the city.

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Report | tdAcademy fellows

## it: Transdisziplinarität und Co-Production

"Let's talk about it" is an German-speaking informal discussion series supporting the exchange of research at the interfaces between science and society. This time we welcome Regina Rhodius (Öko Institut e.V.), who will share with us her long-standing experience and research in and about transdisciplinary processes. Together with her, we will talk about the current consultation process of the Federal Ministry of Economy and Climate Protection (BMWK) on the "Reallabor law". We would also like to discuss together which normative direction the law should take in terms of content and what the community expects from the future legal framework.

[Learn more & register](#)



### Get to know the tdAcademy team...Chantal Krumm

Through our series titled 'Get to know the tdAcademy team,' we offer you the opportunity to get better acquainted with the 'new additions' who joined us since the commencement of our second funding phase in June 2023. Our inaugural feature introduces Chantal Krumm. Chantal play a pivotal role in supporting the tdAcademy team by overseeing the fellowship program and assisting with various administrative matter at the coordination office at ISOE.

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## workshop: Narratives of change in transdisciplinary projects

At a workshop held in Berlin in July, the tdAcademy fellowgroup "[Fostering inclusivity and transformative research through narratives in transdisciplinary processes](#)" Paula Maria Bögel, Universität Vechta; Karoline Augenstein, Bergische Universität Wuppertal; Meike Levin-Keitel, TU Dortmund) discussed its insights with 14 people from academia and practice. Inspired by an impulse lecture by Christiane Langrock-Kögel and her collaborative project of the journal LAND, the participants shared their experiences and delved into the particular role that specific narratives of change can play in promoting transformative action.

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### Get to know the tdAcademy team...Michael Kreß-Ludwig

We also introduce Michael Kreß-Ludwig, an integral member of our coordination office at ISOE. Michael serves as the primary point of contact for external inquiries and takes on the responsibility of facilitating communication within the network of tdAcademy supporting partners. Additionally, he plays a central role in orchestrating the synthesis of the four tdAcademy topic lines, ensuring seamless collaboration.

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## **Funding Opportunity | Transformational knowledge on democracies under change**

The *Volkswagen Foundation* has announced the start of their second funding line within the program "Transformational Knowledge on Democracies under Change - Transdisciplinary Perspectives". It focuses on collaborative projects between up to three researchers from as many different disciplines as possible and partners from (civil) society. The program call is directed towards applicants from the humanities, cultural studies, and social sciences, as well as (civil) society actors, who aim to collaborate in transdisciplinary teams to exchange ideas and address questions concerning democracy in transition. The deadline for the next networking workshop is November 17, 2023.

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