

## Café International

## Introduction

The Café International is an informal get-together for international academics and their families and/or partners to exchange ideas, to network and to socialise to network and socialise as well as to exchange ideas and experiences. It is intended to create a relaxed setting where people can laugh, talk and drink coffee/tea together. The Café International is organised by the Welcome Centre of the U Bremen Research Alliance.

The Café International has existed since 2012 and has established itself as an important place for exchange and networking.

Café International - Facts

o Day and time: Wednesdays, 4-6 pm

o Frequency: weekly (exceptions during the summer break and Christmas period)

o Location: GW2 floor 2A, red sofas

o Target group: International researchers and their families and/or partners

o Offer: coffee and snacks

o Usually carried out by team members of the Welcome Centre

o Cooperation: the café is supported and accompanied by the seniors of SeniorCitizens

→ Platform for individual contacts and activities

## Realisation

The Café International takes place on a weekly basis. Optionally, there is the possibility of establishing various thematic impulses at the beginning of the café, which can provide a setting for discussion and is, at the same time, a platform for exchange. International researchers, senior citizens, external guests and the Welcome Center team have the opportunity to present topics that interest them. The aim is to offer a space for exchange and mutual learning.

In the Café International, we promote respectful interaction and diversity by listening to each other, recognising and respecting different experiences and opinions. The Café's aim is to be a space in which no one is discriminated or marginalised on the basis of their gender, religion or ideology, sexual identity, ethnic origin, age or disability.

In order to achieve this, we encourage a respectful approach to all sorts of life experiences .

For us as organisers of the Café, this means to acknowledge our own privileges and to deal respectfully with experiences that we have not made. Naturally, we also expect this from our guests.

We look forward to a lively exchange, new ideas and your participation.



## **Collection of topics:**

- o Presentation of special holidays from the scientists' home countries
- o Presentation of the scientists' own fields of research
- o Presentation of beautiful places in and around Bremen
- o Presentation of beautiful places from the scientists' home countries
- o Games from the home countries
- o Presentation of special hobbies
- o Presentation of own travels
- o Presentation of favourite songs from the home countries





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