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Changes in WIAS office staff

The WIAS Executive Secretary, Nicole Rodenburg, is expected to return from maternity leave on 1 May 2022. Since her leave of absence, Paddy Haripersaud and Hans Komen are taking over most of her responsibilities. Our Education Coordinator, Marianne Bruining, will be retiring in June 2022. However, she will be going on sabbatical leave from the end of February. WIAS office has hired a new staff member, Dr Carlos Luis Barzola Iza, as an Assistant Research and Education Coordinator. Carlos will stay with us for six months starting 1 February 2022!

WIAS Lunch Lectures

The WIAS lunch lectures take place every first Tuesday of the month from 12.15-13.00. The next online WIAS lunch lecture entitled "NLAS - Individual energy monitors" will be given by Dr Edwin Foekema on 1 March 2022.

WIAS is looking for postdocs, staff or guest researchers who would like to present their work in 2022. Fourth-year PhD candidates are also welcome to present their work. Interested? There is still a chance to sign up for April! Please send an email to wias@wur.nl.

WAPS News



WIAS Annual Conference 2022!

The WIAS Annual Conference 2022 will be held off-line again on Friday, 11 February 2022 at the conference centre 'De Werelt' in Lunteren. The theme of this year's conference is 'Collective Action'. It's a nice opportunity to show your exciting work/proposal and connect with other colleagues for collective action. We are looking forward to your participation!

WAPS social media

Follow the WIAS associated PhD Students council on:

Facebook group: WIAS PhD students

LinkedIn: WIAS PhD's

Instagram: wias_phds

For more information or questions regarding the WIAS PhD Council please send an email to waps.wias@wur.nl.

WIAS Magazine



WIAS magazine

We are happy to let you all know that the **second edition** of the WIAS Magazine is out now! It showcases some of the excellent research done under the WIAS umbrella and also includes some lighter reading. Articles are written by Cornelius Gunter, Mirelle Geervliet, Evelien Bos, (**WIAS Associated PhD Students**) Council, Md. Iftakharul Alam, and Anne-Jo van Riel and Kaylee van Dijk.

Deadline for the next edition

We look forward receiving your submissions for the Spring edition. The deadline is 28 March. The WIAS Magazine Board will also attend the WIAS Annual Conference in February so we look forward to connecting with many of you there.

WIAS Seminars and Courses

WIAS recommends the following courses (registration is open):

21, 22 & 23 February 2022

[WIAS course Introduction on personal effectiveness for your PhD](#) (waiting list)

1 & 2 March 2022

[Ethics and Animal Sciences \(in person\)](#) (waiting list)

9 March 2022

[WIAS course 'Societal impact of your research'](#) (waiting list)

28 March, 4, 13 & 20 April 2022

[WGS Effective behaviour in your professional surroundings](#)

4, 5, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20 & 25 April 2022

[Writing CCD project proposals](#) **NEW, TIP!**

20 April 2022

[WIAS Introduction Day](#)

14 & 15 June 2022

[Ethics and Animal Sciences \(online, only for participants living abroad\)](#)

For an overview of WIAS courses and seminars please click [here](#)

Other Courses

WGS Courses

1,8,15,22 with personal interviews on 29/30 March 2022

[Career Orientation](#)

2 March 2022

[Stress Identification & Management](#)

Individual intake meetings 14 – 17 March 2022

Course 30 March and 6 April 2022

[Career Development for Postdocs: Science and the Alternatives](#)

24 March, 21 April & 12 May 2022

[The Choice: Un-box your PhD process & take charge of your performance](#)

25 March 2022

[Ethics for Social Sciences Research](#)

8 April 2022 (in person) & 10 June 2022 (online)

[Last Stretch of the PhD Programme](#)

8 April 2022 (in person) & 10 June 2022 (online)

[Writing propositions for your PhD](#)

7, 13, 20, 27 June & 5 July 2022

[Career Perspectives](#)

21 June 2022

[Scientific Integrity](#)

January – June 2022

[Project and Time Management](#)

Individual planning

[Career assessment](#)

For a complete overview of all competence, skills and career development training activities, please click [here](#).

Other courses and training of interest

3 February 2022 **TIP!**

[WGS Lunch Workshops for PhD Supervisors](#)

[Writing Lab Free feedback on your academic text during the Editing Desk walk-in hours](#)

[Academic English \(English for IELTS and RATER\)](#)

[Sports Centre the Bongerd offers health courses](#)

Library courses

3 February 2022 – Workshop

[Optimize your personal writing style: online workshop for students \(online\)](#)

10 February 2022 – Presentation

[Introduction to WUR Library for PhD candidates \(online\)](#)

10 February 2022 – Workshop

[Revising your text: online workshop for students \(online\)](#)

17 February 2022 – Course

[Reviewing a scientific manuscript](#)

17 February 2022 – Workshop

[Citing and referencing: online workshop for students](#)

17 February 2022 – Presentation

[EndNote, demonstration session](#)

22 & 23 February 2022 – Course

[Searching and Organising Literature for PhD Candidates](#)

24 February 2022 – Workshop

[Paraphrasing and literature matrix: online workshop for students](#)

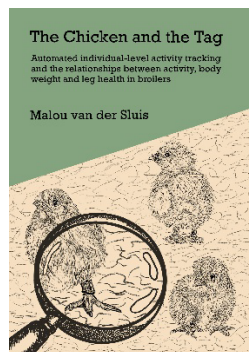
1, 8, 15, 22 March 2022 – Course

[Scientific Artwork, Data visualization and Infographics with Adobe Illustrator \(online\)](#)

10 March 2022 – Presentation

[Introduction to WUR Library for PhD candidates \(online\)](#)

PhD graduations

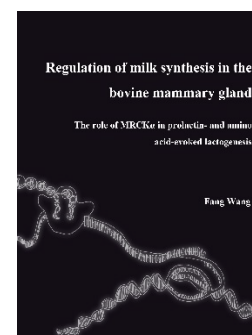


Malou van der Sluis

Behavioural Ecology (BHE) &
Animal Breeding & Genomics (ABG)

Date: 11 February 2022

Time: 16:00



Fang Wang

Animal Nutrition (ANU)
Date: 23 February 2022

Time: 13:30

The Chicken and the Tag. Automated individual-level activity tracking and the relationships between activity, body weight and leg health in broilers

(co)promotors: Prof. Dr TB Rodenburg, Dr ED Ellen, Dr Y de Haas

Regulation of milk synthesis in the bovine mammary gland. The role of MRCKa in prolactin- and Amino acid-evoked lactogenesis

(co)promotors: Dr J Dijkstra, Prof. Dr Bu, Dr J van Baal

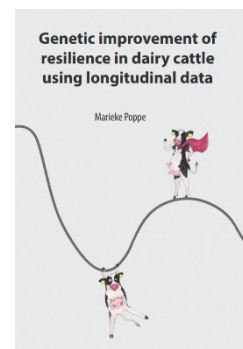


Lotte Stokvis

Animal Nutrition (ANU)
Date: 25 February 2022
Time: 16:00

Chickens on weed. The potential of seaweed for broiler nutrition

(co)promotors: Prof. Dr WH Hendriks, Dr RP Kwakkel, Dr J Kals



Marieke Poppe

Animal Breeding & Genomics (ABG)
Date: 11 February 2022
Time: 16:00

Genetic improvement of resilience in dairy cattle using longitudinal data

(co)promotors: Prof. Dr RF Veerkamp, Prof Dr H Hogeveen, Dr HA Mulder, Dr C Kamphuis

Other news

Call for nominations for Storm-van der Chijs stipends

We warmly invite you to nominate your candidate before Wednesday 16 February 2022, 2 pm.

This year we will award two Storm-van der Chijs Stipends of € 1,500.00 each. A stipend offers the awardee major recognition of her work and encouragement to further pursue a scientific career. The stipend can be used by the candidate to further profile herself internationally by visiting a foreign institution or conference till one year after graduation. Nominees can only be female PhD candidates who will graduate at Wageningen University, after the date of the awarding ceremony on 24 February 2022.

Attached you find the [Form](#) for Nominations and the [Regulations](#) Storm-van der Chijs Stipends (both in English). The nomination form needs to be (co-)signed by the responsible WU-promotor. The supervisor who nominated a candidate will receive a confirmation of receipt. Ahead of the awarding, at latest Monday 21 February, the supervisor will be notified about the final decision. WU Rector Magnificus Arthur Mol will hand over the awards on Thursday 24 February 2022. (Impulse or online 14.00-16.00). We will share more details later! More information can be found <https://www.wur.nl/en/Benefactors/More-information-1/For-Applicants/Storm-van-der-Chijs-Fonds.htm>

The Storm-van der Chijs Fund board is looking forward to receiving your nominations!

NWO Life2022: announcement of speakers

NWO Life is a unique annual congress covering all disciplines and scale levels in the Dutch Life Sciences, from femtometre to kilometre, from cell to planet. NWO Life stands for high quality science, inspiration, discussion, exploration, connection, networking and knowledge utilisation.

NWO Life2022 takes place on 24 and 25 May 2022 and has the overarching theme 'Resilience'. Ines Thiele and Marten Scheffer are keynote speakers. The following renowned speakers have also confirmed to contribute: Laura van Niftrik, Tom Oliver, Martin Steinegger, Kirsten ten Tusscher, Maria Yazdanbakhsh, Lude Franke, Luke O'Neill and Jill Farrant. Keep an eye on the [website](#) for more information about the programme and to sign up for the NWO Life newsletter.

If you have any questions about this WIAS News please contact WIAS at wias@wur.nl