

SFB 1601 Retreat
March 25-27, 2025

Annual Report

SFB1601 Student Council

Prachi Prajapati, PH1
(On behalf of the SFB Student Council)

Goals & Responsibilities

**Addressing PhD student
concerns**

**Promoting a positive
& inclusive academic
culture**

**Organizing various
activities for students**

**Communicating students'
ideas to the Executive
Board (EB)**



Current members, and the next can be you! :-)

| | | |
|--|---|---|
| Prachi Prajapati (PH1) 1st Speaker | Jonathan Clarke (PH1) 2nd Speaker | Zein Bazzi (AIfA) 3rd Speaker |
| Himadri Saha (PH1) | Damian Peregrina (PH1) | Elena Marcuzzo (AIfA) |
| Chinmaya Nagar (PH1) | Anahat Cheema (MPIfR) | Eleonore Dann (PH1) |
| Anais Pauchet (PH1) | Oerd Xhemollari (PH1) | Simon Dannhauer (PH1) |

Current members, and the next can be you! :-)

Prachi (PH1)



Jonathana (PH1)



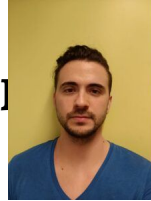
Zein (AIFA)



Himanshu (PH1)



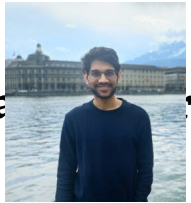
Damian (PH1)



Elena (AIFA)



Chinmay (PH1)



Anahat (MPIfR)



Eleonora (PH1)



Anais (PH1)



Oerd (PH1)



Simon (PH1)



Student Activities (2024-25)

**PH1 Mechanical
Workshop Tour**



**Student Seminars
(AIFA Bonn & PH1 Cologne)**

**Student Retreat
(Leiden)**

**Christmas Market
Visit**



Student Activities (2024-25)

**PH1 Mechanical
Workshop Tour**



**Student Seminars
(AIfA Bonn & PH1 Cologne)**

- + German courses
- + Scientific Writing Workshop
- + Lunch with External Colloquium Speakers

**Student Retreat
(Leiden)**

**Christmas Market
Visit**



Check SFB1601 website:
Home → Students → Student Activities

PH1 Mechanical Workshop Tour

- **Planned for making the students/postdocs exposed to the instrumentation efforts**
- The workshop team presented their cutting-edge machineries and tools using which various parts of big instruments are being developed in-house.
- They also explained the challenges that come along in such jobs



Student Seminars

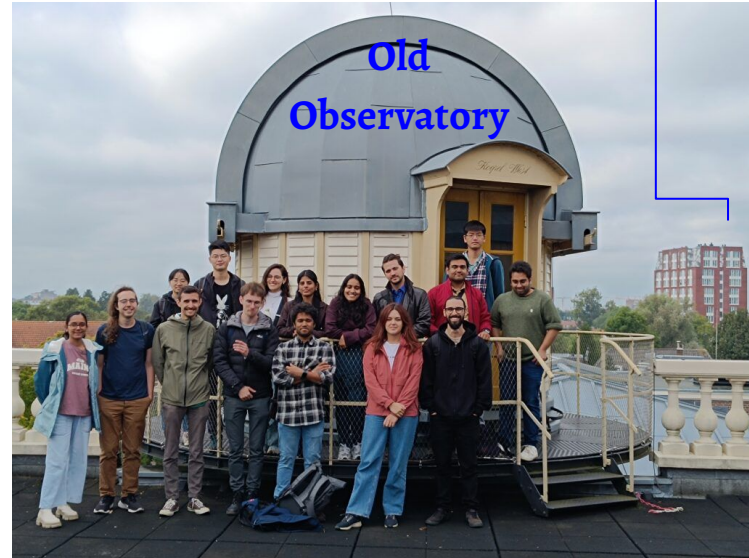
- **Planned for PhD students to practice presentation skills in a friendly environment**
- **Mandatory for each PhD student to present their work once a year**
- **Used to be a day-long program twice a year, i.e. once in Bonn & once in Cologne**
- **Revised version of bimonthly seminars, in a hybrid mode, with 3 talks each.**
- **Stay tuned for the upcoming seminar sessions ...**



Student Retreat

- **Annually occurring event planned for PhD students by the council members**
- Open for all SFB1601 students
- Actively stay in touch with **Petra Fackendahl** (SFB Finance Secretary) while organizing it. Keep **ALL** the participants of the retreat aware of the progress of the process.
- Stay tuned for the upcoming retreat 2025 ...

Leiden (Fall 2024)



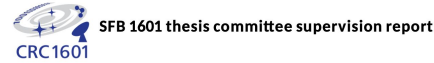
Naturalis
Museum

Support through your PhD: TAC

- **Thesis Advisory Committee (TAC)** - meant to support students in their PhD projects.
- Typically needs at least 3 members, i.e. the project PI, two independent researchers (Postdoc/PD/Professor)
- Meeting once a year for discussion, update, and review

Note: IMPRS & BCGS TAC reports are valid!

P.S.: **Regular monitoring now on ...** EB will approve the travel funds accordingly.



| | |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| Doctoral candidate: | Second Supervisor: |
| Principle Supervisor: | Third Supervisor/other: |
| Project start date: | Estimated thesis submission date: |
| Meeting date: | Funding source: |
| Current report: <input type="checkbox"/> Research Plan (1. meeting) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Progress Report <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | |
| Are you in regular contact with the doctoral candidate? (please give approval): SV1: _____ SV2: _____ | |
| 1 Progress of the doctoral research project (comments may be given) | |
| a) The supervision report of the last meeting on _ / _ / 20_ has / | |
| b) Please rate the current detailed research plan, progress report or | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> very good <input type="checkbox"/> needs some adjustments <input type="checkbox"/> needs major change | |
| c) Please rate the project's progress so far. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> according to plan <input type="checkbox"/> slight delays <input type="checkbox"/> considerable delays <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| If considerable delays occurred, (1) please briefly state their cause and their | |



Check SFB1601 website:
Home → Students → Student Documents

Students' Exchange Program

- **Upon agreement with the respective supervisor.**
- Application to the CRC EB with
 - a research statement,
 - detailed work plan during the stay abroad,
 - a cost estimate, and
 - a supporting letter from the supervisor.
- Reporting the experience to the CRC after returning – can be a seminar or a report that goes on the SFB website



Student's Exchanges and Experiences

Home / Students / Student's Exchanges and Experiences



Check SFB1601 website:

Home → Students → Student Exchange

Social Events & Outreach



ASTRONOMY ON TAP BONN

Happens on **Every Last Tuesday of the Month**

Join for Public Talks related to Astronomy in German and English At **Fiddlers Pub, Frongasse**

Win Prizes Through **Quizzes**

@atobonn X @atobonn

Images: Pinterest, ESA, nasa.gov, displaet.com

The poster has a dark blue, swirling background. It features a satellite in the upper left, an astronaut floating in the upper right, and silhouettes of people looking through a telescope at the bottom. A central logo shows a beer glass with a satellite dish on top.

ASTRONOMY ON TAP KÖLN

GALAXIES, GRAVITY AND GLASS CEILINGS
How women changed our view of the cosmos

Women's Month Special!

Dr. Tatiana M. Rodriguez
Universität zu Köln

ASTROPHYSIKALISCH RELEVANTE IONEN:
Von der Laborphysik zur astronomie

Eline Plaar
Universität zu Köln

PUB QUIZ and prizes!

Supported by SFB 1601 + ES O + @aotkoeln

Free check-in recommended

20 Mar 2025, 19:00 UHR
Theater in der Filmdose
Zülpicher Str 39, Köln

Save your seat!

The poster features a starry night sky background. It includes a small photo of Dr. Tatiana M. Rodriguez, a QR code, and logos for SFB 1601 and ES O.

Important Links & Contacts for New Students



Welcome Brochure is available ...

Home → Students → Student Documents



SFB General

Isabelle Breloy

(Office #213)

SFB Finance

Petra Fackendahl

(Office #119)

Tech

Frank Schloeder

(Office #213)

Purchase

Stefanie Simon, Anke Pyschny

(Office #204, 119)

Secretary (Bonn)

Sabine Derdau

(sderdau@uni-bonn.de)

(Cologne)

Bettina Krause, Huyen Nguyen

(Office #207)

BCGS (Bonn)

Isabela Fox

(ifox@uni-bonn.de)

(Cologne)

Petra Neubauer-Guenther

(Office #203)

IMPRS

Gunther Witzel, Arne Hoyer

(imprs@mpifr-bonn.mpg.de)

List of Contacts Cologne: <https://astro.uni-koeln.de/mitarbeiter-innen>

Other Activities and Updates

- **SFB Students SciTech Expertise Form**
to facilitate collaborations and
exchange of skills among students

Check SFB1601 website:

Home → Students → Student Activities

| | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I |
|----|----------------|--------------------------|-----|----------------|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Name | | | | | | | |
| 2 | Project: A1 | | | | | | | |
| 3 | Youxin Wang | | | | | | | |
| 4 | Eleonore Dann | | | | | | | |
| 5 | Project: A3 | | | | | | | |
| 6 | Chinmaya Nagar | | | | | | | |
| 7 | Project: A4 | | | | | | | |
| 8 | Luis Bonah | bonah@ph1.uni-koeln.de | PH1 | Schlemmer Gro | | | | |
| 9 | Project: A5 | | | | | | | |
| 10 | Anais | pauchet@ph1.uni-koeln.de | PH1 | Stefanie Walch | | | | |

Other Activities and Updates

- **Well-being Survey of SFB Students ...**
add resulted plots and points from
[Himadri & Vittoria](#)



Volunteer for Elections 2025



1st speaker, 2nd speaker,
3rd speaker, Members...

Thanks!

If you have any questions/suggestions, or you would like to join the Student Council, feel free to contact any member of the council (via email or in person)