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# Semester Kick-Off

Welcome to Saarland University

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**SIC** Saarland Informatics  
Campus

# Our Program for this Kick-Off

## 1. Summer Semester Opening (Sven Rahmann)

Welcome to the SIC: Site and News

## 2. Address by the Students' Representative Council

Busy Beaver Award

## 3. Course Program (Martina Maggio)

Basic elective courses, core lectures and advanced lectures

## 4. Get-together with drinks

You're invited to talk to us and ask your questions

*thanks to*



FREUNDE DER  
SAARBRÜCKER  
INFORMATIK  
Ein Netzwerk der  
Aktiven und Ehemaligen

# Welcome to Saarland Informatics Campus!

## Three tightly cooperating University departments

- Computer Science
- Mathematics
- Language Science & Technology

## Four Research Institutes on campus

- German Research Center for Artificial Intelligence  
*Deutsches Forschungszentrum für Künstliche Intelligenz (DFKI)*
- Max Planck Institute for Informatics (MPI-INF)
- Max Planck Institute for Software Systems (MPI-SWS)
- Center for Bioinformatics (Zentrum für Bioinformatik ZBI)

## Saarbrücken Graduate School of Computer Science

## External Partner

- CISPA Helmholtz Center for Information Security

# Our academic programs

> 2.500 students in 23 academic programs

## Bachelor

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- Bioinformatik
- Computerlinguistik
- Computer Science (engl.)
- Cybersecurity (engl.)
- Cybersicherheit
- Data Science and Artificial Intelligence
- Eingebettete Systeme
- Informatik
- Mathematik und Informatik
- Medieninformatik
- Wirtschaftsinformatik

## Master

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- Bioinformatics
- Computer Science
- Cybersecurity
- Data Science and Artificial Intelligence
- Embedded Systems
- Information Systems
- Language and Communication Technologies
- Language Science and Technology
- Mathematics and Computer Science
- Media Informatics
- Visual Computing

## Staatsexamen

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- Lehramt Informatik  
(LAB/LA Sek I und II)



Deutsches Forschungszentrum für KI

Max Planck Institute for Informatics

CISPA Helmholtz Center

Graduate School

Max Planck Institute for Software Systems

Computer Science Department

Center for Bioinformatics

Library

Günter Hotz Lecture Hall

Language Science & Technology Dept.

Mathematics Department

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**CBI** CENTER FOR  
BIOINFORMATICS



German  
Research Center  
for Artificial  
Intelligence



max planck institut  
informatik



MAX PLANCK INSTITUTE  
FOR SOFTWARE SYSTEMS

**Roland Speicher**  
(Dean)



**Sven Rahmann**  
(Vice Dean)



**Anselm Lambert**  
(Dean of Study Affairs)



**Martina Maggio**  
(Vice Dean of Study Affairs)

## **The (new) Dean's Office**

## Faculty news



Photo: SIC/Universität des Saarlandes

### **Jan Reineke**

received an offer from  
Ruhr University Bochum



### **Jörg Hoffmann**

received an offer from  
TU Dresden

**Both decided to stay at our site!**

# Our faculty - all together now





## Most Influential Paper Award

International Conference on Generative Programming: Concepts & Experiences (GPCE)



Photo: Universität des Saarlandes

Sven Apel (and co-authors)

RESEARCH-ARTICLE



### Does the discipline of preprocessor annotations matter?: a controlled experiment

**Authors:**  [Sandro Schulze](#),  [Jörg Liebig](#),  [Janet Siegmund](#),  [Sven Apel](#) [Authors](#)

[Info & Claims](#)

<https://dl.acm.org/doi/10.1145/2637365.2517215>

## CERTAIN



[<https://www.dfki.de>]

Kevin Baum took over the management in Dec.)

**dfki**<sup>o</sup>  
ai  
Deutsches Forschungszentrum  
für Künstliche Intelligenz  
*German Research Center for  
Artificial Intelligence*

## Gold Medal in International Programming Contest



*The winning team Janine Lohse, Egor Gorbachev, and Asadullo Ganiev with their coaches Julian Baldus and Simon Schwarz (from left to right). Photo: MPI for Informatics*

### **NWERC- North West European Regional Contest**

Best results for a German university in almost 10 years  
143 teams from 65 Universities

## Eurographics Gold Medal 2023 ...



*L.-r.: ACM Turing Award Gewinner Prof. Pat Hanrahan (Universität Stanford), Prof. Philipp Slusallek, Eurographics Vertreter Prof. Markus Gross (ETH Zürich) und Prof. Hans-Peter Seidel (MPI für Informatik)  
Foto: © Bertram Somieski / MPII*

... to Philipp Slusallek

## Guest Professorship in Berkeley

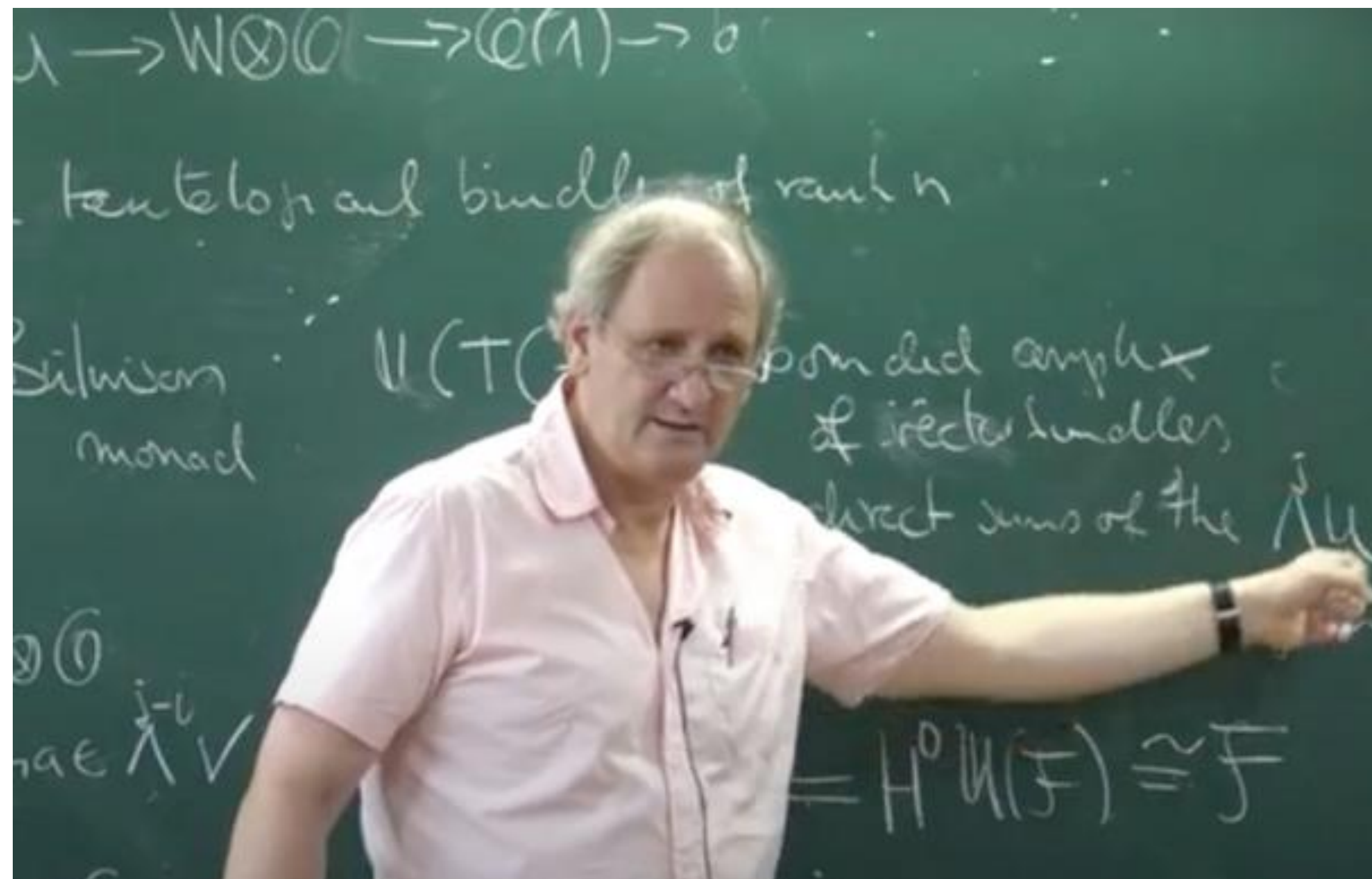


Photo: Youtube -<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tjYJAob0yO8>

Frank-Olaf Schreyer

## Honorary Doctorate - University of Athens ...



[Photo: MPI for Informatics]

... to Gerhard Weikum

## ACM Fellow



### Anja Feldmann

(Scientific Director at MPI  
for Informatics)

*With the Fellows status, the ACM recognizes **the top 1%** of its members for their outstanding accomplishments*

## Excellence Strategy

Saarland University's draft proposal clears first hurdle



Foto: Oliver Dietze  
Foto: Gesellschaft für Informatik

Next-Generation **AI**-Empowered **D**rug **D**iscovery and **D**evelopment





## MPI Informatics and Google Expanding Strategic partnership on A



(Left to right) Marco Lohse (Google), Saarland Minister President Anke Rehlinger, **Prof. Dr. Christian Theobalt (MPI INF)**, **Prof. Dr. Bernt Schiele (MPI INF)**, Katie O'Donovan (Google) during the meeting at Google in London.

## Seven Projects at SIC – Joint Funding by Saarland and Intel



*Thorsten Herfet, State Secretary Elena Yorgova-Ramanauskas, State Secretary Wolfgang Förster, Intel Labs Director Ravi Iyer (Emerging Systems Labs), Minister Jakob von Weizsäcker, Intel Director Nilesh Jain (Emerging Visual/AI System Research Lab) and University Vice President Roland Rolles..*

## Academy of Sciences and Literature Mainz



Vera Demberg  
full member of the Class of Humanities and Social Sciences

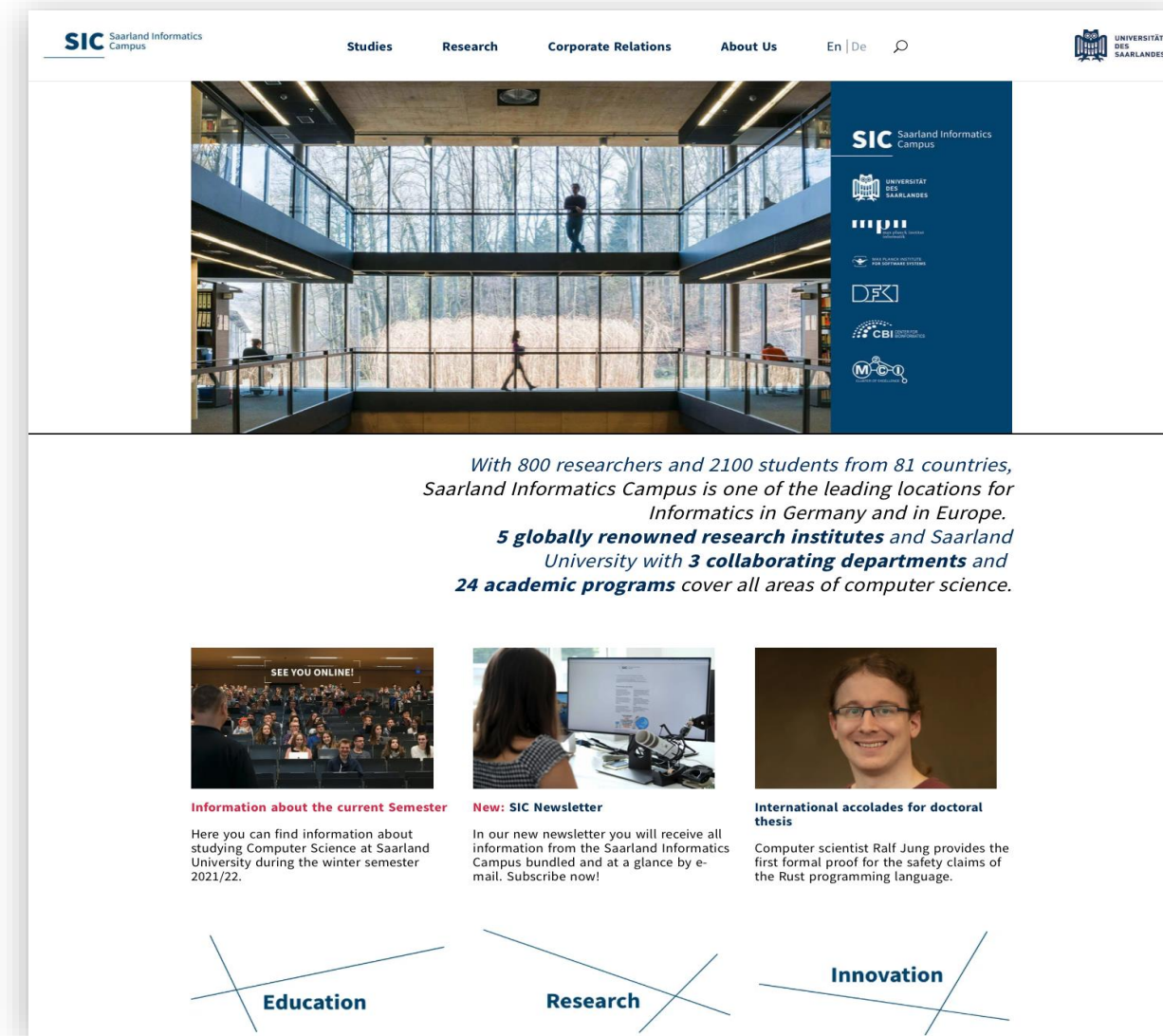
## Presidential Elections at UdS



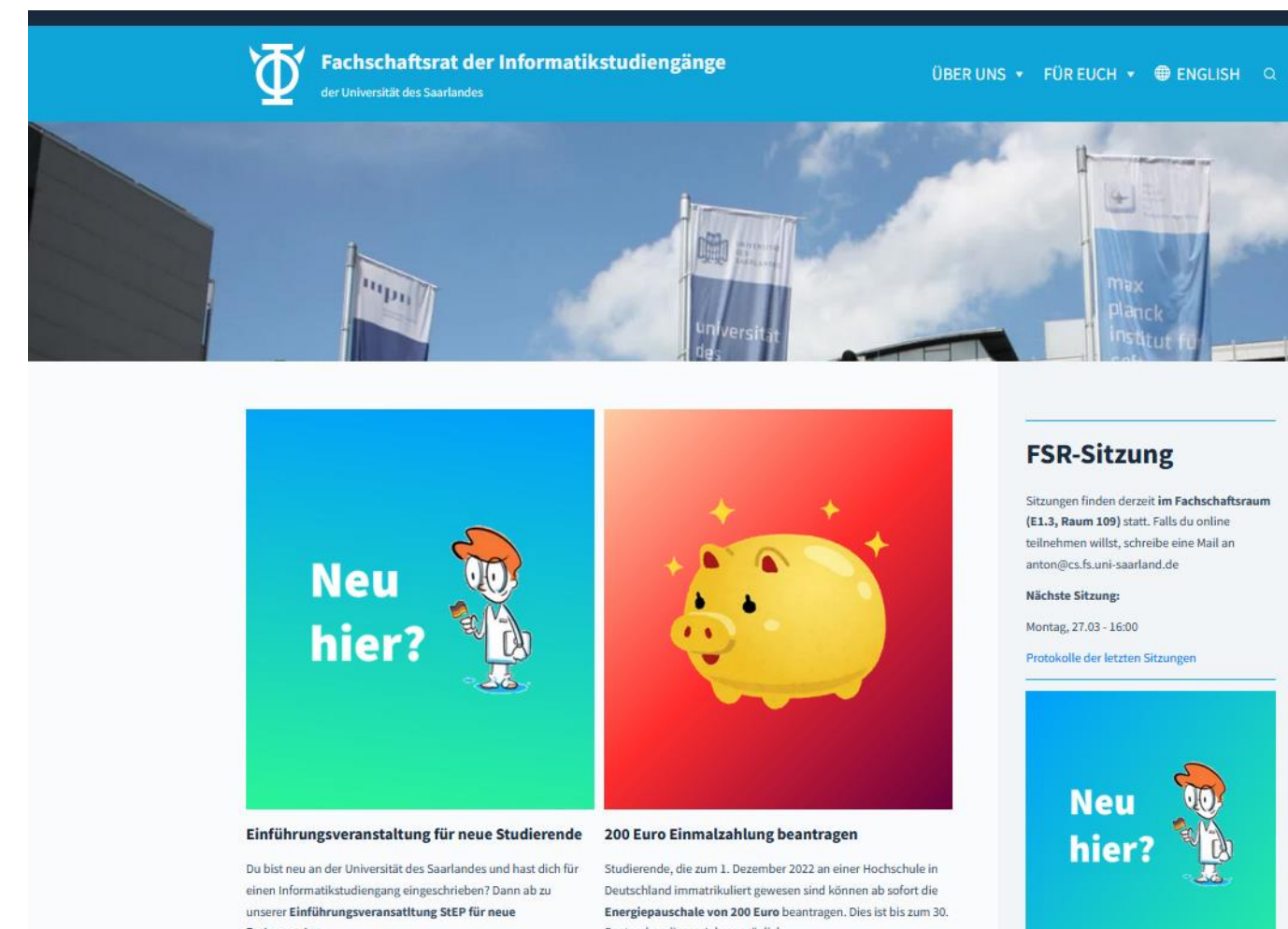
Ludger Santen, Jutta Kray, **Raimund Seidel**, Roland Rolles,  
Cornelius König

# Where to get more information?

<https://saarland-informatics-campus.de>



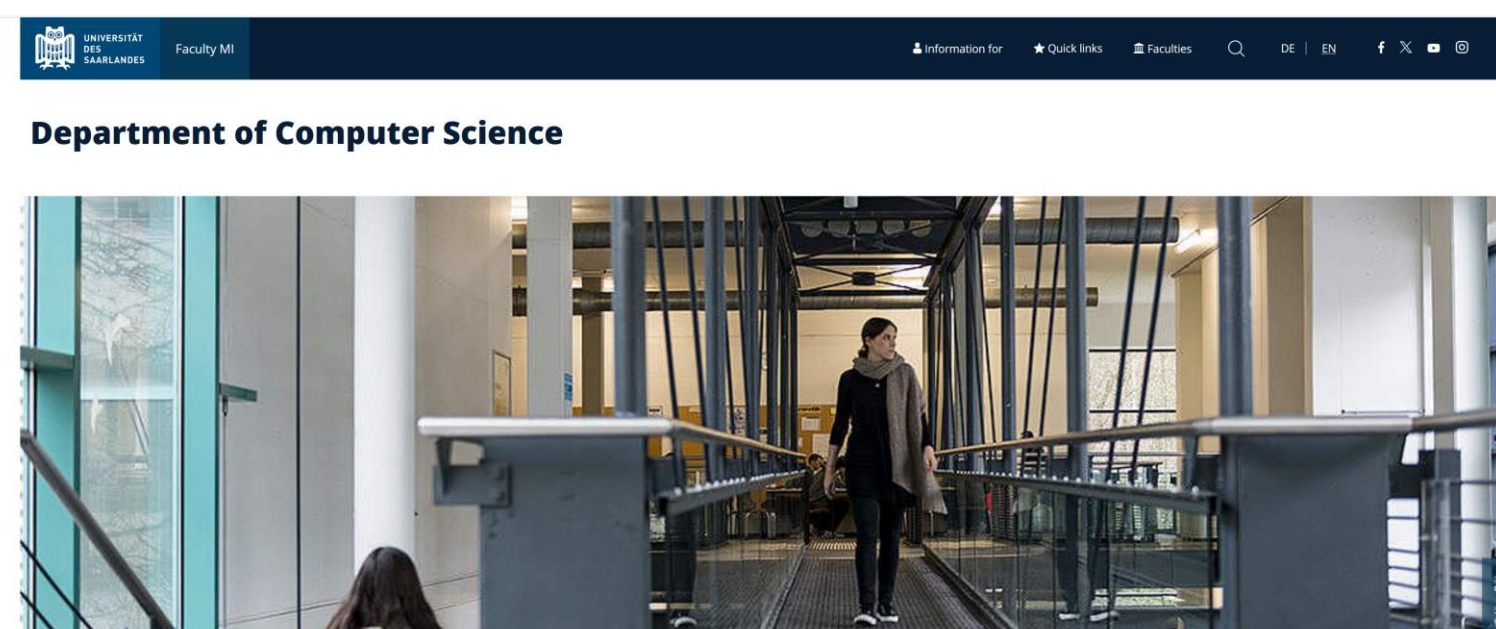
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→ Feel free to contact the Student's Representative Council and/or the Study Coordination

→ Contact us immediately if severe problems occur. Don't hesitate!

We will help you.



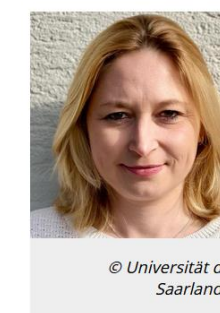
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