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Vacancy Research Committee member

The WIAS Research Committee (RC) is looking for a new member! The RC consists of five WIAS staff members who meet four times per year.

Are you a WIAS assistant professor, associate professor or personal professor or a comparably qualified Wageningen Research staff member and related to one of the chair groups ABG, MAE or QVE? Would you like to join our committee? Then please contact Nicole Rodenburg (executive secretary WIAS) or Eddie Bokkers (Chair of WIAS RC) for additional information. To apply for the position, please send your CV and short motivation to Nicole Rodenburg.

The deadline for application is 5 September 2023. Starting date for the position is 1 October 2023.

Tasks

- The RC has the task of advising WIAS, both on request or unsolicited.
- The RC is responsible for assessing the reviews of WIAS proposals and rebuttals and take a decision based upon those. The proposals are equally divided over the members of the RC.
- At least one RC member is part of the jury of the WIAS graduate programme.
- The RC can be asked to assist in the organisation of interdisciplinary workshops.
- The RC members can be asked to be part of the jury of one of the WGS programmes.

WIAS Lunch Lectures

The next hybrid lunch lecture on 5 September 2023 entitled "Of worried horses, optimistic calves and bored pigs - studying animal emotion across species" will be given by Dr Sara Hintze who is a visiting researcher at the Adaptation Physiology group. This lecture will be held from 12.15-13.00 in the Zodiac Building, Room A0107. Lunch will be available at 12.00.

WIAS is looking for postdocs, staff or guest researchers who would like to present their work in 2024. Interested? Please send an email to wias@wur.nl. The WIAS lunch lectures take place every first Tuesday of the month from 12.15-13.00.

WAPS News

Contact WAPS

Facebook: WIAS PhD students

LinkedIn: WIAS PhD's

Instagram: [wias_phds](https://www.instagram.com/wias_phds)

Email: waps.wias@wur.nl

WIAS Magazine

The 8th WIAS Magazine edition - Summer 2023

We hope you've had an amazing holiday. Maybe you used our [eighth edition](#) of the online WIAS Magazine to read next to the pool/on the beach/in the plane or train? If not, make sure you do still read up on what happened and what research is being done here.

Of course a new edition also means we're starting our work on edition 9! Under the heading 'Science connects us all' the WIAS magazine aims to strengthen the community of WIAS PhDs & Post-Docs. Publishing an article offers a way to connect with other PhDs and Post-Docs by showcasing your research.

Are you next? Submission deadline Fall edition: 30 September 2023



Get in contact: wias.magazine@wur.nl

Website: [WIAS magazine - WUR](#)

WIAS Seminars and Courses

WIAS recommends the following courses (registration is open)

Date	Course
20-22 September	LAS Species Specific course on Fish
27 September	WIAS symposium 'Genomics applied to conservation of genetic diversity' in Zodiac A0107 10.00 – 15.00 hrs, please register here
9, 16, 23 & 31 October	WGS course Effective Behaviour in your Professional Surroundings
16-18, 23 & 24 October	WIAS course Image Analysis
19 October	WIAS Introduction Day
25, 26, 27 October	WIAS Introduction course on Personal Effectiveness for your PhD
13-17 November	WIAS Course Sensor applications for aquatic species
20-21 November	WGS Ethics and Animal Sciences
12 December	WIAS course The Final Touch
5, 12 & 19 March 2024	WIAS course Societal Impact of your Research

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

Other Courses

WGS Courses

14 September, 12 October, 7 November & Individual Coaching session

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

18-19 September & 9 October 2023

[Communication with the media and the general public](#)

20, 27 September, 11, 25 October 2023

[Effective and efficient communication in academia and beyond](#)

27 September 2023

[Stress identification & management](#)

27 September, 4 October 2023 & Individual Career Assessment

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

12 October 2023

[Project and Time Management](#)

20 October 2023

[Last Stretch of the PhD Programme](#)

23 October 2023

[The Essentials of Scientific Writing and Presenting](#)

23 November 2023

[Reviewing a Scientific Manuscript](#)

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

[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](#)

EPS Flying seminar "Elisabeth Bik" – Fighting the dark side of science

Organized by the European Plant Science Retreat committee.

Date: 14th of September, 15.30 – 16.30

Location: Orion, room C2005-C2006, Wageningen University

Embracing openness: an introduction to Open Science practices

This online course is organized by University Twente & WIMEK-Sense from 2-6 October 2023, for more information about this course go to <https://sense.nl/course/open-science/>

Big data exploration and object-oriented programming with Python

This course is organized by WIMEK-Sense from 9-13 October 2023, for more information about this course please go to [PhD course Big data exploration and object-oriented programming with Python - WUR](#)

Big Data Analysis in the Life Sciences

This course is organised by VLAG from 23-26 October 2023, for more information about this course please go to <https://www.vlaggraduateschool.nl/en/courses/course/bda23-1.htm>

Course on Biology of Vector-borne Diseases (6-days) – 2024 University of Idaho

For information please go to [website](#)

Library courses

4, 11, 18, 25 September 2023 – Course

[Adobe Illustrator – scientific artwork & infographics](#)

12 September 2023 – Workshop

[Search efficiently in the right database](#)

14, 21, 28 September 2023 – Course

[Research Data Management, parts 1-3](#)

14 September 2023 – Presentation (online)

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

26 September 2023 – Workshop

[Citing and referencing: Lunch workshop](#)

3 October 2023 – Presentation

[Endnote, demonstration session](#)

10 & 11 October 2023 – Course

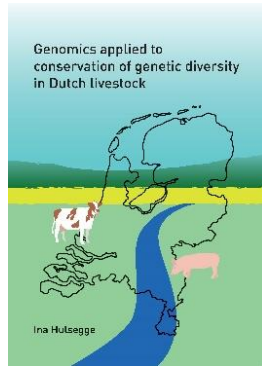
[Searching and Organising Literature for PhD Candidates](#)

12 October 2023 – Course

[Scientific Publishing](#)

12 October 2023 – Presentation (online)

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



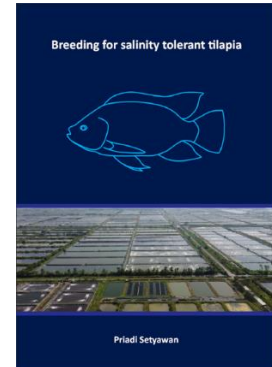
Ina Hulsegge

Animal Breeding & Genomics (ABG)

Date: 27 September 2023
Time: 16:00

Genomics applied to conservation of genetic diversity in Dutch livestock

*(co)promotors:
Prof. Dr RF Veerkamp, Dr AC Bouwman,
Dr JJ Windig*



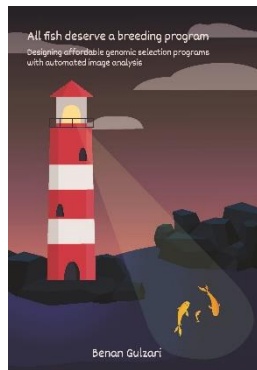
Priadi Setyawan

Animal Breeding & Genomics (ABG)

Date: 2 October 2023
Time: 13:30

Breeding for salinity tolerant tilapia

*(co)promotors:
Prof. Dr J Komen, Dr JWM Bastiaansen,
Dr MD Camara*



Benan Gulzari

Animal Breeding & Genomics (ABG)

Date: 2 October 2023
Time: 16:00

All fish deserve a breeding program

Designing affordable genomic selection programs with automated image analysis

*(co)promotors:
Prof. Dr J Komen, Dr JWM Bastiaansen*



Pauline Jéhannet

Animal Breeding & Genomics (ABG)

Date: 4 October 2023
Time: 16:00

How to make good eel larvae?

*(co)promotors:
Prof. Dr J Komen, Dr AP Palstra*

Calls

KHMW Jong Talent Afstudeerprijzen 2023

De Hollandse Maatschappij Prijzen voor Jong Talent worden jaarlijks toegekend ter bevordering van het wetenschappelijk onderwijs in de technische en exacte vakken. In 2023 zijn er achttien Jong Talent Afstudeerprijzen beschikbaar, ter bekroning van uitzonderlijke studieresultaten (masterscriptie of onderzoeksverslag), waaronder de KHMW Jong Talent Afstudeerprijzen voor Life Sciences (1e prijs van € 3.000, 2e prijs van € 2.000, 3e prijs van € 1.000). Nominaties kunnen uitsluitend digitaal worden ingediend, via het [inschrijfformulier](#) op de website van de KHMW. De deadline voor nominaties is 18 september 2023. Vragen via prijzen@khw.nl.

Call for INREF Seed Money Projects 2023

INREF programme focus on collaboration: between disciplines, between geographical locations, between institutes including those from the countries involved (local partners) and between funding agencies by integrating various funding initiatives into concise research projects. More information on the objectives of INREF and expected outputs of the programme can be found [here](#).

Research Award Call 2023

The Research Award is the annual scientific award funded by University Fund Wageningen (UFW) to honour excellent researchers at Wageningen University & Research (WUR). The Research Award is organized by Wageningen Graduate Schools and we hereby call for nominations.

The Research Award is awarded in four categories:

- A. Research paper of the year
- B. Team effort of the year
- C. Transdisciplinary research of the year
- D. Supervisor of the year

Nominations must be submitted to doro.office@wur.nl. The deadline for nominations is 1 November 2023. More information about the conditions and criteria and the procedure can be found in the [call attached](#).

Wageningen Graduate Schools (WGS) Postdoc Talent Programme Call for proposals 2023

The Postdoc Talent Programme offers talented researchers from abroad the opportunity to start a career at WUR. Applications should demonstrate the added value of the grant for the applicant's career and the value of the applicant's expertise for WUR. Talented eligible researchers can apply for a two-year position within one of the Wageningen University research groups. The position may result in an application for personal funding. For more information please [click here](#).

Graduate School Green Top Sectors TKI 2023

The green top sectors TKI graduate programme is aimed at MSc students who have written their own PhD project. Staff members of the graduate schools EPS, PE&RC, WIAS, VLAG, WIMEK and WASS can apply as main applicant. The research subject must fit within the research missions of the Knowledge and Innovation Agendas of the top sectors. Awarded projects will be funded by TKI funds (this is third stream funding). For more information please [click here](#).

The Azrieli International Postdoctoral Fellowship – Call for Applications

The Azrieli International Postdoctoral Fellowship supports the best and brightest minds in their postdoctoral research in Israel, connecting them with world-class academics and leading researchers. The fellowship is open to applicants from all around the world.

The fellowship provides significant funding, academic programming, and support to 24 international postdoctoral researchers, enabling them to carry out research in exact sciences, life sciences, humanities, and social sciences at eligible Israeli academic institutions.

The online application system is set to open on 1 September 2023 [Call for Applications](#).

Other news

Parents Support Group

The next meeting of the Parents Support Group will be on the 12th of September 2023 . As usual it is a lunch meeting. It will take place in the speakers corner of Impulse from 12:00 – 13:30. This time we will talk about day care/nanny/babysitter-How to find a trustful person/organisation that will take care of your kids? If you would like to join, please register here: <https://www.graduateschool-eps.info/the-parents-support-group/>

Wanted: your failure stories

Resource magazine of WUR is looking for PhD candidates who want to share an experience of failure. Last year we interviewed PhDs, postdocs, tenure trackers and professors to share their stories. This year we are looking for more PhDs (besides other researchers). In the column "You win some, you lose some" in Resource we ask researchers and lecturers to share an experience of failure from their professional career in academia. Previous episodes can be found here: <https://www.resource-online.nl/index.php/tag/you-win-some-you-lose-some2/?lang=en>.

The failure can be big or small, about anything related to life as an academic (research, education, work-life balance, meetings, supervisors, etc), but should be important to you: for example, a failure from which you learned an important lesson, something you still struggle with today, or an aspect of your job where you fail to meet your own expectations or those from your surroundings. Are you a WUR PhD candidate and would you like to contribute? Please send an email to stijn.schreven@gmail.com and me or my colleague Nicole will get in touch with you to plan an interview (online or on-campus).

Conversation about the obstacles experienced by early career researchers

Many starting academics experience obstacles in their professional career development, such as job insecurities and a high workload. Our researcher and teacher motivation survey brought several of these obstacles to light. Now we wish to further our insights in a series of focus group interviews with early career researchers, to understand them even better.

Next meeting is on 7 September 2023, for more information go to [website](#).

Heidelberg University Summer academy 10-15 September 2023

At the limits of LIFE: Dealing with Biofacts, Embryoids and Hybrids – Perspectives from Sciences and Humanities, for more information go to the [website](#).

Spark training Centre for Unusual Collaborations

Ready for Business as Unusual? Get Sparked at the Centre for Unusual Collaborations. Spark is an interdisciplinary learning journey aimed at stimulating unusual collaborations to address societal challenges. The learning journey starts with four half-day training sessions focused on interdisciplinary competences, followed by the opportunity to access a Spark grant to form an unusual research team and work towards a proposal. Spark is open to early and mid-career researchers from TU/e, UU, UMC and WUR.

Upcoming training dates are:

18 + 25 September & 9 – 16 October between 13.00 – 17.00 hrs

For more information click [here](#).

International Symposium Dietary Protein for Human Health 14-16 September 2023

The three-day conference will be held both in-person (Utrecht, NL) and virtually, with proceedings published in a leading open-access journal. Original research in the form of [abstracts](#) is welcome. Abstracts will be published and presented in posters and selected oral sessions. Go to the [website](#).

5th Global Food Security Conference 9-12 April 2024

Join us to discuss developments towards equitable, sustainable and resilient food systems at the 5th Global Food Security Conference 9-12 April 2024. For more information go to the [website](#).

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