

12 June 2023 ____17:00

Sky Lounge, Oskar Morgenstern-Platz 1 1090 Vienna

Rising Voices – social scientists on stage

Celebration of the sowi:doc Awards 2022 and semester closing of the Vienna Doctoral School of Social Sciences



The sowi:doc Awards and the Vienna Doctoral School of Social Sciences

Each year, the Faculty of Social Sciences awards the **sowi:doc Awards** to selected doctoral graduates. The Award winners receive EUR 1,500 each for their outstanding research contributions in the framework of their doctoral thesis. The Award aims at motivating doctoral graduates to pursue a career in academia. An interdisciplinary expert committee, appointed by the head of the Faculty, is responsible for making the final award decision. With the establishment of the Vienna Doctoral School of Social Sciences, the sowi:doc Awards that the Faculty has established in 2018 have been linked to the Doctoral School.

The establishment of the **Vienna Doctoral School of Social Sciences (ViDSS)** has been part of a university-wide initiative of providing structured doctoral education in many different disciplines. At the Faculty of Social Sciences, the establishment of the doctoral school was led by a faculty-wide task force comprising representatives of all disciplines and a student representative. Between 2019 and 2020, the task force developed the profile and the governance structure of the doctoral school and designed activities and funding programmes for doctoral candidates in the social sciences. In October 2020, the ViDSS was launched.

The ViDSS aims at:

- attracting ambitious and highly qualified doctoral candidates in the social sciences,
- increasing the exchange of experiences among doctoral candidates and supervisors within and across departments,
- enhancing the doctoral candidates' international experiences,
- increasing the visibility of doctoral candidates and their research projects and
- improving completion rates.

In addition to a range of activities and funding possibilities for students, the ViDSS regularly organises onboarding workshops as well as networking and information events for supervisors.

Programme

17:00 Welcome address

Manuela Baccarini

Vice Rector for Research and International Affairs

Hajo Boomgaarden

Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences

Sophie Lecheler

Speaker of the Vienna Doctoral School of Social Sciences

17:15 Science Slam: Rising voices – social scientists on stage

Sabina Cveček

Graduate of the doctoral programme in Social Sciences (social and cultural anthropology), winner of the sowi:doc Award 2021

Jana Laura Egelhofer

Graduate of the doctoral programme in Social Sciences (communication), winner of the sowi:doc Award 2022

Clara Holzinger

Student in the doctoral programme in Social Sciences (sociology)

Andreas Nanz

Graduate of the doctoral programme in Social Sciences (communication), winner of the sowi:doc Award 2022

Ina Tessnow-von Wysocki and Arne Langlet

Students in the doctoral programme in Social Sciences (political science) Moderator: **Georg Ludwig Bauer**, Science educator

18:30 Award ceremony: sowi:doc Awards 2022

Moderator: **Markus Wagner**, Vice Dean for Career Development and International Affairs, Faculty of Social Sciences

19:00 Small reception

Please register for the event via the website of the Vienna Doctoral School of Social Sciences (**vds-sosci.univie.ac.at/rising-voices**) no later than 30 May 2023.



The Faculty

The Faculty of Social Sciences was established as an independent organisational unit in 2004 and is one of the largest faculties of the University of Vienna. The Faculty is committed to the principle of combining research and teaching. Research activities cover a broad array of topics and include both basic and applied research. The Faculty is a place of tertiary and continuing education, giving students the opportunity to specialise in a wide range of disciplines and thematic areas. Students of the Faculty of Social Sciences study in bachelor's, master's and doctoral programmes in the fields of political science, social and cultural anthropology, communication and sociology. In addition, the Faculty offers a master's programme in gender studies, as well as master's and doctoral programmes in the fields of nursing science, development studies, science and technology studies and demography.

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