Dear sustainability enthusiasts,

Welcome to the 20th edition of the newsletter that we publish as the university's climate protection management team. Here you will find small reports from the university's climate action and sustainability cosmos at more or less regular intervals. If you have recently joined us (yay!), you can view the old issues on the <u>website</u>.

Just in time for the international "Bike to Work" day, this newsletter focuses on mobility.

Reinforcement

Since May 7, it is finally official: After the project to create the climate protection concept, the funding for the follow-up project has now also been approved for 3 years. The project has been in the early start phase since 01.06.2023 and officially runs until June 2026. After the federal budget freeze caused unnecessary excitement in the meantime, we can now press ahead with the implementation of the measures with financial security. The best thing about this is that the climate action management team has now also been strengthened in terms of personnel - Ms. Andrea Klahsen is focusing on the field of action of <u>everyday mobility</u>.

Signs

Ms. Klahsen's new area of responsibility also includes the implementation of this year's mobility survey. If you have not yet taken part after the previous invitations and reminders by email, flyers, posters, Stud.IP announcements or social media posts, this is your chance to do so. The data is very helpful for designing a sustainable mobility offer and the survey really doesn't take long, we promise! To the <u>survey</u>

<u>Uniwegs</u>

Until May 22nd inclusive, you also have the opportunity to take part in the photo contest "Wir sind uniwegs", which is being offered to mark the university's anniversary. We are certain that the daily commute to the university is as diverse and multifaceted as its many students and staff. In addition to the chance to win one of the prizes, with a bit of luck your picture will be displayed in an exhibition in the Schlaues Haus in June. At the same time, the climate action management is running a bet on the number of entries - so someone is guaranteed to win. Better join in quickly

Bike station

Anyone who works or studies at our location in Wilhelmshaven or has ever visited there knows that the range of sustainable mobility options falls into the "expandable" category - especially with regard to the bus connection to and from the train station. In the truest sense of the word, there has been some movement here. The new bike station at the train station has been open for a few weeks now and, with the support of the climate action management, the ICBM now has annual passes to park bikes safely at the station. In this way, we hope to counteract the suboptimal connection by bus.

Warm-up

If you would like to warm up for the 2024 city cycling competition so that we can take first place again this year, we would like to draw your attention to the "Aufsatteln fürs Klima" campaign. It's a bit like city cycling, but organized by the VCD (Verkehrsclub Deutschland) and with a focus on vocational school pupils, students and university employees. The campaign runs until the end of June and also offers a number of prizes. More information can be found <u>here</u>.

100 meters of Copenhagen

You may have noticed in recent months that there has been some digging on the cycle path between the university in Haarentor and Haarenfeld street. There, the city has implemented a pilot project to test intelligent traffic light control, a signal program with 45 LEDs to show cyclists a green wave at the next traffic light. If the project goes well, it can hopefully be expanded and introduced at other locations in the city. And our university will be equipped with an improved cycling infrastructure along these meters. <u>Test phase</u>

With these five messages, we leave you with best wishes for the long Whitsun weekend. Please do not hesitate to send us your questions, suggestions or (if need be) critical comments.

Best regards

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