

### Dear sustainability enthusiasts,

Welcome to the 25th 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 [website](#).  
Estimated reading time for this issue: approx. 5 minutes.

### A test of patience

The introduction of bicycle leasing for employees of universities in Lower Saxony was one of the successes of the last collective bargaining negotiations. Now the state of Lower Saxony must/may carry out a large tender for all parts of the state administration. This is currently still being prepared and a more precise timetable has not yet been published. The state has now announced that state employees will probably not be able to make use of bicycle leasing until 2026. [To the website of the national Ministry of Economic Affairs](#)

### Free coffee

To take your mind off the rather unfortunate news about bike leasing, we'll jump straight to the "Postcode Breakfast" on March 26 at 9 am. This will give you the opportunity to get to know colleagues from the Oldenburg university environment who live in the same zip code area and regularly travel to Oldenburg from there in a relaxed atmosphere. In addition to the personal exchange, the event offers space to form carpools, pass on tips on good cycling routes or arrange a brainstorming session on the train. Which means of transport you use to get to the event is not important for your participation. Also not unimportant: coffee will be provided. [To the registration form](#)

### Designing the climate protection fund

Perhaps you don't just want to talk, but would rather work out concrete results? Then we recommend our workshop on the use of the climate protection fund. On March 13 from 10:15-11:45 a.m., we want to work out with you which projects the money from the climate protection fund should be used for. Since this year, this fund has been fed from the CO2 levy. (You may have already come across the corresponding supplementary sheet as the latest addition to this university's portfolio of forms). In the workshop, we will work with you to develop the areas in which the funds will flow and which projects will be supported. Our results will be incorporated directly into the final decision-making process and the resolution - so your participation is worthwhile and we look forward to hearing your thoughts!

[Go to registration](#)

### Repair meets culture

We have already recommended the ReparierBar to you in this newsletter. On the second Friday of the month from 4 p.m., you can tinker with your supposedly broken items or get help tinkering with them in the workshops in the Technical Education (A04) rooms on Uhlhornsweg. The ReparierBar is run by students, who have now expanded their offer once again. From next week (14.03.) there will now also be a special offer for children, perhaps you would like to drop by. [To the Reparierbar on Instagram](#)

### Bird wedding

This year, we are once again surveying the number of bird species at our Haarentor and Wechloy sites with a central breeding bird survey. It sounds small, but it's also a first step towards sensible biodiversity monitoring. You can find the results from last year [here](#). This time you can contribute directly to the survey by sharing your bird observations with us via the iNaturalist platform. Either way, it's worth taking a stroll around the university campuses to take a look at the bird activity around you, but if you want to save the results, you can do so [here](#).

We're delighted that so many new people have joined this mailing list since the last mailing, and even more delighted if you'd like to recommend the format to others. Thank you for that!

Best wishes

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