



**Hochschule
Bonn-Rhein-Sieg**
University of Applied Sciences



Season's Greetings from Hochschule Bonn-Rhein-Sieg

Dear Dr. Mustermann,

Looking back over this turbulent year with its many challenges, may you find strength for the new year in the coming festive season. We wish you and your loved ones good health and look forward to staying connected through our university's Alumni Network.

Hopefully you will enjoy these insights into some activities and projects of the past year at Hochschule Bonn-Rhein-Sieg.

With kind regards

Prof. Dr. Jürgen Bode and Prof. Dr. Iris Groß (Alumni-Representatives of the President's office)

Barbara Wieners-Horst (Alumni Management)



Highlights from Hochschule Bonn-Rhein-Sieg in 2020

2020 is ending virtually at a standstill, since the coronavirus pandemic has the country more firmly in its grip than ever. Nevertheless, behind all the clouds there have been some silver linings for Hochschule Bonn-Rhein-Sieg states president Hartmut Ihne. The year is also finishing on a high with the achievement of a key milestone in the development of universities of applied sciences.

[Highlights of 2020 »](#)



Christmas Greetings from the Computer Sciences Department

Professor Paul Plöger and the staff of MAS send their season's greetings to all alumni in Germany and abroad: multi-international, multilingual and multi-heartwarming.

[MAS Christmas Greetings »](#)



Merry Christmas from the Department of Natural Sciences

Michael Heinzelmann, Dean of the Department of Natural Sciences, shares surprising insights - and wishes all students, staff and alumni a Merry Christmas!

[Video "Merry Christmas" »](#)



Must Science become more political?

Politics and Science follow their own agendas. How can they communicate better with each other in the future? How can co-existence become cooperation? Norbert Röttgen, Member of the German Bundestag and chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, and Hartmut Ihne, University President, argue from the perspective of politics and science respectively. - Looking at the current situation of covid pandemic and the research for vaccines, we think this article, taken from last year's annual report, is worth to be read again.

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Start-up Programm
Rheinbach
Sankt Augustin

SUPRA stimulates spirit of entrepreneurship. New Year's Trivia attracts with prizes from start-ups from the region

SUPRA ("Start-up Programme Rheinbach Augustin") has been established in 2020 to stimulate the spirit of entrepreneurship at H-BRS and in the entire Bonn region. The main fields of activity is to raise start-up awareness, entrepreneurship qualification and coaching for start-ups. You can meet the SUPRA Team [here](#). Start the new year by participating in SUPRA's [new year's trivia](#) which will all be about entrepreneurship. Awesome prizes from some local start-ups are waiting for you.



EnerSHelf - Energy Supply for Healthcare Facilities in Ghana

Sustainable and reliable Photovoltaic-based energy supply for healthcare facilities in Ghana are in the focus of the EnerSHelf project, an interdisciplinary German-Ghanaian project of political economists, engineers and partners from the private renewable energies sector. H-BRS' International Centre for Sustainable Development (IZNE) is involved as lead partner.

In September 2020 German and Ghanaian researchers and technicians installed the equipment to collect meteorological data in the health facilities in Kumasi, Akwatia and Kologo. The aim is to forecast the key meteorological variables for solar power generation and consumption at the field sites.

[Read more about EnerSHelf »](#)
[Installation »](#)



H-BRS Keynote at Grand Yinzhou Talent Conference 2020

As an expert in innovation and technology transfer between academia and industry, H-BRS was invited to introduce its profile and experiences at the Grand Yinzhou Talent Conference 2020 in Ningbo, China, a very important port city, located in the Hangzhou Bay Area of Eastern China, near the Yangtze River Delta.

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"Why I went abroad." Alumni share experience

Many of you, our alumni and former students, left your home country to come to Germany to study at H-BRS. Hopefully this was a great experience for you. Last spring during the first corona lockdown in Germany we asked alumni from Germany who had themselves gone abroad for a semester to share their memories and to tell us about the longtime effects of this experience.

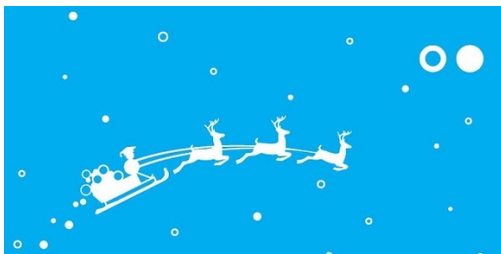
[Why I went abroad](#) (in German - to refresh German language skills)



Career guide for internationals

Many international students plan to stay in Germany once they have finished their degree. The German job market offers many opportunities. The Bonn-Rhein-Sieg region as a home to small, medium-sized and globally active companies offers excellent career opportunities. The career guide for internationals provides information about the services you can make use of when you are starting out on a career as well as the opportunities available to you after you graduate.

[Career guide for Internationals](#)



Missing your Christmas Card? Update Contact Data

Did you find our Season's Greeting Card in your letter box? If not it's maybe because your contact data in our alumni database are not up to date or complete. Maybe you would like to update your contact data? [Please use our online form](#). Thank you very much.



Online Picture Gallery for Graduates (Class of 2019/2020)

Graduates of 2019/20 who would like to be part of the [online gallery](#) better hurry up! All graduates who upload picture, comment, greetings in the gallery will be presented in the growing mosaic, too. This picture will be sent to all participants in January.

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