Dear University members,

The latest issue of our newsletter “Caroline” provides information on current developments and new services of the university administration.

We wish you a good and productive summer semester.

Dr. Angela Kalous
Vice-President Finance and Personnel
Taskforce on Reducing Bureaucracy simplifies purchase of office supplies and handling of guest lectures

The Taskforce is making progress! And so, following multiple suggestions, the Central Procurement Department has simplified the purchase of office supplies by opening up the full range of products from "Büro Mix", the online shop for office supplies. Some exceptions in relation to products which are subject to statutory guidelines (e.g. recycled paper) will, however, need to remain in place. Generally, all items which the University requires are available in the online shop and can be ordered directly and paid for. Special orders will now only rarely be necessary. Büro Mix completed the implementation on 25 April 2018.

Another important result coming from the Taskforce is the simplification of the handling of guest lectures. The simplification means that the decentralised institutions can conclude contracts for paid guest lectures up to the maximum amount allowed under the Regulation on Remuneration of Teaching Activities ("Unterrichtsvergütungsverordnung") without the involvement of Internal Auditing and then issue the payments. Details on the procedure and specific templates for this purpose should be available by the end of the year at the latest. We plan to report on the results of the Taskforce in an edition of "Caroline" during the summer.

Further information (in German)
www.uni-heidelberg.de/einrichtungen/verwaltung/organisationsentwicklung/buerokratie-abbau/

Hans Kilian Award 2019

The Hans Kilian Award honours outstanding achievements by people who have brought us new insights into the historical and cultural existence of mankind and its changing psyche. The call for submissions is addressed foremost to scientists and researchers who, in their theoretical, methodical and empirical works, have been creatively transcending the borders between disciplines and cultures and bringing forth productive syntheses between these previously isolated areas of knowledge. The award brings with it a prize of EUR 80,000. The deadline for nominations and applications is 30 June 2018.

Call for submissions
www.hans-kilian-award.de/application-and-nomination

EU-Call: Improving internet security

The digital infrastructure, upon which businesses and society critically depend, must be resilient and trustworthy, and must remain secure despite the escalating cyber-threats. New technologies and their novel combinations require innovative ways to implement security measures and to make new security-related assumptions, identifying potential unknown vulnerabilities, forecasting new threats and emerging attacks, and managing cyber risks. Within the framework of collaborative research, actors from science and industry are called to develop solutions for the optimisation of an internet which is secure and which its users can trust. Deadline for applications is 23 August 2018.

EU-Call
Eighth funding period of Germany Scholarship
For the funding period of the Germany Scholarship in the 2018/2019 winter semester the Division for Foundations and Assets is once again on the lookout for sponsors for talented students at Heidelberg University. If you receive any queries about the Germany Scholarship from companies, foundations or private individuals, you are more than welcome to refer them directly to the Division for Foundations and Assets.

Germany Scholarship
www.uni-heidelberg.de/university/friends/deutschlandstipendium_en.html

Further Information which is only available in German
Changes to State University Law

Changes to Copyright Law
www.uni-heidelberg.de/universitaet/beschaeftigte/service/recht/urheberrecht.html#Nutzung%20urheberrechtlich%20gesch%C3%BCtzter%20Werke

Master plan process for Neuenheimer Feld/Neckarbogen
www.uni-heidelberg.de/universitaet/beschaeftigte/service/bau/masterplan/
www.masterplan-neuenheimer-feld.de

Ergonomics at work
aug.dguv.de/fileadmin/user_upload/03_magazin_ausgaben/poster/201704_DGUV-aug_poster.pdf
www.uni-heidelberg.de/arbeitssicherheit

GEMA
www.uni-heidelberg.de/universitaet/beschaeftigte/service/finanzen/gema.html

BMBF "Bioeconomy as societal change" concept
www.bmbf.de/foerderungen/bekanntmachung-1612.html

Studium Generale: "The City of Tomorrow"
www.uni-heidelberg.de/universitaet/studiumgenerale/index.html

BMBF Research Program on human-technology interaction
www.bmbf.de/foerderungen/bekanntmachung-1624.html