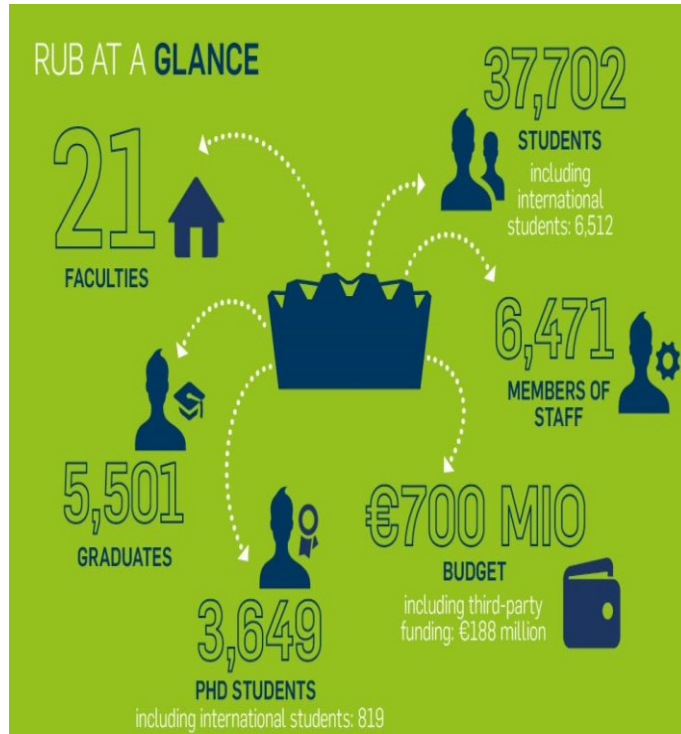




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PROMOTING ACADEMIC FREEDOM AND SUPPORTING AT-RISK SCHOLARS AT RUHR UNIVERSITY BOCHUM: FROM LOCAL TO INTERNATIONAL

RUHR UNIVERSITY BOCHUM AT A GLANCE



TOWARDS A WHOLE-INSTITUTION APPROACH

ACADEMIC FREEDOM-ACADEMIC SOLIDARITY- ACADEMIC RESPONSIBILITY



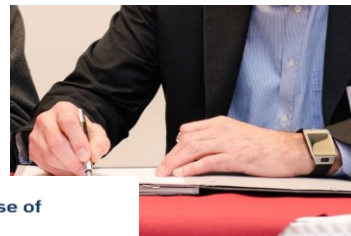
- Embedded in Vision & Mission
- Strategic Alignment
- Cross-Cutting Theme (*Principles to Implement Academic Freedom as a Right*)
- International Office as Central Institutional Coordinator/Hub
- Creating Knowledge Networks: From Local to International

SCHOLARS AT RISK PROGRAM @RUHR U BOCHUM

- **Hosting Scheme & Support Services**
- **Generation of Third Party Funds** (e.g. Philipp Schwartz Initiative)
- **Teaching and Learning:** Scholars at Risk Advocacy Seminar & Schülerlabor „Academia in Danger“ (for High School Students), Public Lecture Series
- **Research:** Promoting Scientific Enquiry and Reflection
- **Staff Trainings & Exchanges**
- **Awareness Raising & Public Outreach**
- **Public Policy and Human Rights Advocacy**
- **Special Support Programms for Ukrainian Scholars and Institutions at Risk**
- **Promoting Responsible Internationalization**
- **Knowledge Networks: From Local to Global**



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RUHR U BOCHUM SUPPORT FOR SCHOLARS AT RISK: FACTS & FIGURES

When it all started @RUB in the 1960s: Hosting & Fellowships for Researchers from Afghanistan, Afghanistan Institute & Program

Fellowships for RAR since 2016: 60

- Philipp Schwartz Fellowships (Avh)
- Walter Benjamin Fellowships (DFG)
- Scholar Rescue Fund Fellowships
- Hilde Domin Fellowships (DAAD)
- Other Sources



LOCAL NETWORKS: UNIVERSITY WITHOUT BORDERS

Tailor-made programs, services and fellowships for **at-risk, refugee and forcibly displaced researchers** and students

- Fellowships (e.g. Philipp Schwartz Initiative, DFG Walter Benjamin, DAAD Hilde Domin)
- Welcome Services: Information, Orientation & Advice (visa, registration, family services, housing support, IT.Services)
- Research Support Services
- Transfer and Start Up Support Services
- Social and Interdisciplinary Networking Events
- Psychological/Trauma Counselling
- Professional Development & Training Programs
- Academic Mentoring & Coaching
- Antidiscrimination Office, Ombudsperson
- Integration into (International) Collaborations & Networks

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- Fedor Stepun Fellowships
- DAAD Digital Laboratories for Students at Risk
- Benefit Concert & Poetry for Ukrainian Partner Institutions by Serhij Zhadan
- DniPro NRW
- Exhibition „Pictures from Bachmut“ (V. Ivleva)
- Faculty and Institutional Partnerships with Ukrainian Universities & Mobility Schemes

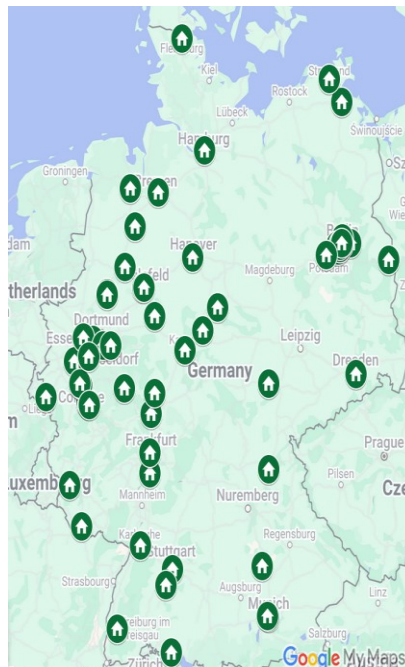


NATIONAL NETWORKS:

- **Founding Member since 2016**
- **Member of Steering Committee (2016-19, 2022-2025)**
 - Annual Philipp Schwartz Stakeholder Forum
 - SAR Global Congress (Berlin)
- **Founding Member of Regional Group North-Rhine Westfalia**
 - Regular Peer Support/Coaching
 - Public Lecture Series 2022/23
 - Joint Professional & Career Development Program for RARs/PSI Fellows (for careers inside and outside academia)

SCHOLARS AT RISK

GERMANY SECTION



WIE EXKLUSIV IST DIE UNIVERSITÄT?

Kritische Nachfragen zu Gleichheit und Diversität an deutschen Hochschulen



Eine Veranstaltungsreihe der Universitäten Köln, Bochum, Düsseldorf und Siegen im Sommersemester 2022 und Wintersemester 2022/23, konzipiert und moderiert von Migrations- und Rassismuskritiker Mark Tekesidis und unter der Schirmherrschaft der Rektorate der beteiligten Universitäten.

Die Veranstaltungen sollen einen Raum zur kritischen Reflexion von bestehenden universitären Strukturen hinsichtlich von Wissenschaftler*innen und Studierenden mit Fluchthintergrund eröffnen, aber auch die Frage stellen, wie die Universität generell mit Diversität umgeht bzw. umgehen sollte.

Die Veranstaltungen finden jeweils 18-20 Uhr online statt: fluchtpunkt.uni-koeln.de

Dienstag, 25.10.2022

Gespräch über Rassismus und Exklusivität mit der Rassismuskritikerin der Universität zu Köln
Katjan Ammer (Professorin für Islamwissenschaft, Beauftragte für Rassismuskritik, Universität zu Köln)

Mittwoch, 23.11.2022

How to become truly colour-blind in higher education – a practical example from the most international business school in the Netherlands
Maggie Feng (CEO Wittenburg University of Applied Sciences)

Mittwoch, 07.12.2022

Open access? Internationale Aspirationen deutscher Hochschulen und das Subjekt im Kontext politischer Bedrohung und globaler Fluchtmigration
Lucy Dornau (Wissenschaftliche Mitarbeiterin, Institut für Pädagogik, Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg)

Mittwoch, 25.01.2023

Rassismuskritik (an) der Universität
Paul Mecheril (Professor für Erziehungswissenschaft mit Schwerpunkt Migration, Universität Bielefeld)



EUROPEAN NETWORKS:

Responsible Internationalization and Global Engagement:

Promoting Academic Freedom and Responsibility in International Higher Education and Research

- **Peer Exchange and Coaching**
- **UN RIGE Survey & Mapping & Virtual Map**
- **UN RIGE Repository**
- **UN RIGE Public Lectures**
- **UN RIGE Staff Training** „Responsible Internationalization & Institutional Support to At-Risk Scholars“ @ AUTH
- **UN RIGE Summer School** „Advocacy for Academic Freedom and Human Rights - internationalization in a fragmented world“ @ Utrecht U (August 2025!)



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<https://utrecht-network.org/task-forces/rige/>

INTERNATIONAL NETWORKS

SCHOLARS AT RISK NETWORK



- Threat Assessments, Matching Services
- Scholars at Risk Advocacy Seminar
- SAR Student Advocacy Days



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Academic Freedom as a Driver of Development? Regional Perspectives on the Roles of Academia



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- Annual Scholars' Conference
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- Human Rights Advocacy



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GENERATING KNOWLEDGE TOGETHER

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