



PhD Retreats: Organization

✓	Student representatives	GGNB Office
	ask students of their program if they would like to join a retreat and who would help with the organization	
	decide on format of retreat - with faculty? - invited speaker(s)? Topic? - expert talk on (mental) health? - duration: 1 or 2 nights depending on number of talks and ask program committee/cc: GGNB for approval Scheduling survey for 3-4 different dates (min. 8-9 months in advance) Inform GGNB of possible date(s) and number and names of participants (students, faculty, invited speaker) Indicate 3-4 preferred locations from location list, or new location	
	 Travel time max. around 2 hours by Deutschlandticket/student ID Travel by car not possible (resp. only in exceptional cases, e.g. participant does not live in Göttingen and cannot reach location by public transport) 	
		 Contact 3-4 locations for offers University rates? Double rooms incl. breakfast for students, Single rooms incl. breakfast for faculty and invited speakers Catering (lunch, dinner, coffee breaks) Seminar room(s) Technical equipment (projector, flip chart)
		Check if offers are in compliance with travel law and budget rules Compare costs
		Informs student representatives which location is possible (cheapest) and by when booking has to be confirmed (incl. number of participants)
	If applicable: decide on and contact invited speaker for possible dates If applicable: decide on expert talk on (mental) health, inform GGNB Office	number of participants)





	Neurosciences, Biophysics, and Molecular Biosciences
Discuss registration form for students	
with Michaela (has to include info that	
registration is binding)	
Verify who will definitely join (students	
according to registration form, faculty,	
speakers) and inform GGNB	
Contact invited speakers to inform them	
of budget rules for travel and sends	
them reimbursement form (cc: GGNB)	
	Book location
	 Payment by invoice
	 Short-term cancellations of room
	and catering have to be possible
	If applicable: contact TK reg. expert talk,
	if confirmed forward contact details of
	trainer to student representatives
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Draft detailed schedule incl. participants,	
their affiliation, travel times by train or	
public bus, titles of presentations, and	
send it to GGNB	
 most time has to be spent on 	
science!	
 dinner can only be paid if 	
scientific talks continue after	
dinner! And no, Science Slam or	
Pub Quiz do not count as	
scientific talks.	
	Double check schedule, return to
	student representatives
Send schedule to all participants/cc:	- ctadent representatives
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COND	Inform all participants (students, faculty)
	that they have to submit their
	Dienstreiseantrag within the next 3
	working days
	 Students/faculty at university have
	to send their approved permit as a
	PDF file to ggnb@gwdg.de
	- UMG, MPI, DPZ, Fraunhofer, etc.:
	have to apply but don't have to
	copy Kirsten/GGNB in
	- Stipendholder: have to inform their
	boss but application legally not
	possible, permit not required
	Remind those who have not submitted
	their permit, deadline 1 week. If still no
	permit: student is excluded unless they
	have valid reason (e.g. supervisor not
	reachable during trip)
In case of short term cancellations:	
inform GGNB Office immediately	
,	If applicable: cancel room(s) and
	catering
Retreat takes place	<u> </u>
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Inform students that they have to make entry in credit database	
Send attendance list (incl. titles of posters/presentations) to GGNB	
	Confirm credits
	Follow up on travel costs for invited speakers