



BeBuddy-Newsletter October 2023

1) Support the Go Abroad Fair at RWTH Aachen!

Every year, the International Office hosts the **Go Abroad Fair**, an information and networking fair for students on the topics of studying, internships and research abroad. This year it will take place on **Monday, October 23, from 2 to 5 pm, in Super C, 6th floor.**

On the [Go Abroad Fair](#), many RWTH institutions such as the International Office, the Faculties and the Language Center as well as interesting external organizations offer information and consultation about going abroad. The fair is part of the [Go Abroad Week](#), a framework program of numerous information and advisory events, which takes place throughout the week of October 23 to 27, 2023.

Due to the size of the Go Abroad Fair (usually around 800 students) as well as the other events of the Go Abroad Week, we are in need of student volunteers to assist! Of course, volunteering – when it's at least five hours - can get recognized as a component of the [RWTH Certificate International](#).

Therefore, we would like to ask if you are interested in supporting us during the following events (see table below).

If you are interested in volunteering, please let the RWTH Go Abroad Team know your availability **by filling out the last column of the table (“Your availability”)** and **sending it to go-abroad@rwth-aachen.de by October 10th** the latest. The table is attached as a separate file to the newsletter mail.

It is also possible to participate only part of the required time and/or in several events, as you can see above as an *example* in the table.

Date?	Time?	What?	Where?	Your Availability (please fill in)
Monday, October 23 rd 2023	9 am to 6 pm	Go Abroad Fair , general assistance before, during and after the event (setting up the room, supporting the exhibitors, ...)	Super C, 6 th floor	<i>For example: 2 to 5 pm</i>
	9.30 am – 11 am	Go Abroad Information Events (setting up the	Humboldt Haus	



		Humboldt-Haus, technical assistance before, during and after the event)		
	4.30 pm - 7 pm	Go Abroad Information Events (setting up the Humboldt-Haus, technical assistance before, during and after the event)	Humboldt Haus	
Tuesday, October 24 th 2023	9 am - 12 pm	Go Abroad Information Events (setting up the Humboldt-Haus, technical assistance before, during and after the event)	Humboldt Haus	
	1.30 pm – 6.30 pm	Go Abroad Information Events (setting up the Humboldt-Haus, technical assistance before, during and after the event)	Humboldt Haus	<i>For example: 1 to 4 pm</i>
	12 pm – 6 pm	Career Day for Students with International Experience , general assistance before, during and after the event (setting up the room, supporting the exhibitors, ...)	Super C, 6 th floor	
Wednesday, October 25 th 2023	2 pm – 5 pm	Go Abroad Information Events (setting up the Humboldt-Haus, technical assistance before, during and after the event)	Humboldt Haus	
Thursday, October 26 th 2023	1.30 pm – 3.30 pm	Go Abroad Information Events (setting up the Humboldt-Haus, technical assistance before, during and after the event)	Humboldt Haus	
	3 pm – 7 pm	Go Abroad Speed Dating , general assistance before, during and after the event	Super C, 6 th floor	<i>For example: 3 to 5 pm</i>



The times listed are approximate estimates. Of course, you will also have the opportunity to talk to exhibitors who are of interest to you during the Go Abroad Fair or the events of the Go Abroad Week.

Any questions? Please contact the Go Abroad team: go-abroad@rwth-aachen.de.

We would be happy to count on your support!

2) You love music, wind instruments and having fun with people just as invested in music as you are?

Then come and join the Bläserphilharmonie Aachen.

The Bläserphilharmonie Aachen is the one and only wind orchestra in Aachen city, playing at a high level with lots of motivated young musicians. During the semester, they work on their programme which is crowned at the end by their concerts. In this working phase, the concerts will be at the 8th and 10th of December and take place in the Aula 1, Templergraben 55. The orchestra rehearses every Tuesday from 7.30pm to 10pm.

Curious now? Drop them a line if you'd like to join in and subscribe to their Instagram channel: [blaeserphilharmonie_aachen](https://www.instagram.com/blaeserphilharmonie_aachen)

You can find more information on the following [website](#).

3) Help empowering young children as a student volunteer at IT4Kids

Allow us to introduce to you IT4Kids, a non-profit student organization with a unique mission. IT4kids specializes in teaching children digital skills and graphic programming. They aim to introduce children up to 6th grade to the world of coding and unlock their creative potential in the digital realm. The goal is to empower every child to decide for themselves if they are interested in IT, free from bias and stereotypes. Last year, the organization got 1,454 kids excited about programming. IT4kids works closely with their dedicated student instructors to provide programs that give kids hands-on learning experiences. To adequately support the instructors, the team offers a tax-free expense allowance of €20 per hour, which can be combined with mini-jobs and BAföG. Due to the increasing demand from our partner schools, IT4kids is looking for more student volunteers to join their team. If you want to learn more about their vision and their work, watch their [vision film](#) or visit their [website](#). Together, you can raise the next generation of IT enthusiasts.



The team looks forward to your support and interest in IT4Kids! *Very good German language skills and child-friendliness are a must*

4) **The new semester is beginning soon: It's time to celebrate!**

It's time to greet the new semester with a proper party. The AstA therefore invites all students to their upcoming SemesterAnfangsParty on Friday, Oct, 13, from 9pm on. More information can be found on the AstA's [website](#).

Where: C.A.R.L

Entrance fee: 5 Euro (tickets can be purchased at the entrance on site)

5) **First-year orientation at the RWTH Erstiwoche 2023**

After a very successful Welcome Week for new international students last week, the program goes on! The so-called [Erstwoche 2023](#) for all, international and non-international, first semester students takes place from October 2, 2023, on. It is organized by the student councils, i.e. the student representatives, in coordination with the faculties and subject groups and the University management. The goal is to successfully pave the way into student life, give an opportunity to get to know fellow students in addition to the university and city of Aachen, and to provide the best possible start in Aachen.

Please check the website for the program of the [Erstiwoche 2023](#).

6) **Join Ingenieure ohne Grenzen (IOG) - Make a Global Impact!**

Meet Ingenieure ohne Grenzen (Engineers Without Borders) - IOG, a global organization for technical development cooperation. With 1300+ volunteers and 33 regional groups in Germany, they're changing lives worldwide.

Who They Are: IOG is a humanitarian organization acting all over the world. Everyone can join the team in various roles: organization, public relations, fundraising, and hands-on projects.

What they do in Aachen: The teams are active in five different projects spread across Uganda, Sierra Leone (two initiatives), Nepal and Germany.



These projects include activities such as building wells, setting up dry toilets, ensuring a reliable power supply and supporting the education and integration of refugee children and youth into the local community.

What do you get?

Join a supportive community where you can learn valuable soft skills and contribute your innovative ideas. Participate in various workshops and social events.

Where can you meet Ingenieure Ohne Grenzen:

Get to know the team at their first Quiz Night held in English at Chico Mendes on October 19th at 19:30h.

Join IOG, change lives, and be part of a passionate community. Explore more on their website or contact them at aachen@ingenieure-ohne-grenzen.org.

That is all for October. Have a good and fresh start into the new semester!

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