



Virtual Transatlantic Day of Networking

Exploring the „New Normal“ in Transatlantic Exchanges –
Participatory Approaches and Blended Learning in Vocational Education Exchange Programs

Monday, November 16th, 2021, 15:00 – 18:30 Uhr (CET) | 9.00AM – 12.30PM (EST)

▶ Part I: Opening and Panel Discussion

- 8:45AM | 14:45 Uhr **Arrival**
- 9:00AM | 15:00 Uhr **Welcome Remarks**
Dr. Nina Lemmens | Executive Board Member of the Joachim Herz Foundation
Darion Akins | U.S. Consul General in Hamburg
- 9:05AM | 15:05 Uhr **Agenda and Technical Instructions**
Dr. Yulia Kozyrakis and Isabel Dwinger | Joachim Herz Foundation
- 9:10AM | 15:15 Uhr **Keynote: The Meaning of International Exchange for Vocational Training in the USA and Canada**
Stephanie M. Kelly | Community Colleges for International Development (CCID)
- 9:20AM | 15:25 Uhr **GATE & Azubis Go USA: Update on JHF Programs with the USA and Canada**
Dr. Alexandra Gerstner | Joachim Herz Foundation
- 9:35AM | 15:40 Uhr **Panel Discussion: Exploring the “New Normal” in Transatlantic Exchanges**
Dr. Nina Lemmens | Joachim Herz Foundation
Dr. Leah Mason | Institute of International Education
Dr. Ralf Hermann | German Office for International Cooperation in VET at BIBB
Martin Auer | Alumnus ‘Azubi go USA’ and ‘Youth Lead the Change’

- 10:20AM | 16:25 Uhr **Break**
- 10:40AM | 16:40 Uhr **Optional: Matchmaking Breakout Sessions** (pre-registration required)

▶ Part II: ‘Good Practice’ Talks

- 11:00AM | 17:00 Uhr **Talk I: Blended Learning Approach to Intercultural Competence Training**
Dr. Sabine Smith | Kennesaw State University
- 11:20AM | 17:20 Uhr **Talk II: Hybrid Exchanges with High Level of Student Involvement**
Susanne Auer | Leopold-Hoesch-Berufskolleg
- 11:40AM | 17:40 Uhr **Closing Remarks**
Dr. Yulia Kozyrakis and Isabel Dwinger | Joachim Herz Foundation

▶ Part III: Online Exchange Forum

- 11:45AM | 17:45 Uhr Parallel Virtual Booths in Breakout Sessions (list with booths see below)
- 12:30PM | 18:30 Uhr **Informal Closing**



The Online Exchange Forum – List of Virtual Booths

▶ **Realizing Transatlantic Exchanges and Other Projects (Good Practices)**

1. Joachim Herz Foundation
2. Community Colleges for International Development (CCID) with two member colleges (USA and Canada)
3. Institute of International Education (IIE)
- ▶ 4. German Office for International Cooperation in VET at the Federal Institute for Vocational Education (GOVET at BIBB)
5. Youth Lead the Change Germany and other initiatives promoting the civic engagement of young people and transatlantic dialogue
6. Kennesaw State University
7. Leopold-Hoesch-Berufskolleg
8. Nova Scotia Community College

▶ **Financing Transatlantic Exchanges and Other Projects**

9. Joachim Herz Foundation (GATE)
10. National Agency Education for Europe at the German Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training (NA at BIBB) (Erasmus + and Ausbildung weltweit)
11. Secretariat of the Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs (KMK) (GAPP and GAVE)