

Geo.X ECS Newsletter May 2018

Dear Geo.X Early Career Scientists,

We really enjoyed our Get-together with you in February and hope to keep up the positive energy. We are happy to inform you about how we continued from there and of course how our **future plans** will look like. We hope we meet some of the points, you have given to us in **your feedback**.

Nevertheless the Early Career Scientist Section within the Geo.X network is still in its starting phase and we are more than happy to **receive your thoughts and feedback**. Also it thrives on **your input and participation**.

1) Following the wishes for some **social media** interaction we invite you to the

- a) Geo.X ECS **Facebook** group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/293345667862903>
- b) Geo.X **Twitter** channel: https://twitter.com/Geo_X
- c) And a **Slack** Group for more self-organisation, communication and instant sharing. Please follow the invitation link: https://join.slack.com/t/geo-x-earlycareers/shared_invite/enQtMzUyMTA4MTg1Njk5LWFjZTYyZDQ3YmVjMTgzYTY3YWNmOTcyYzk3NmRiMGEzOWNmMGM1MDg5ZDE4ZTM4ODBhYWE3ODBIMTU1NDkyODI

Please make lively use of the Slack and feel free to create own Subtopics and channels. With the link you can also invite other relevant people, you think should be in there.

2) We can totally understand the request upon more regular meetings (like a **“Stammtisch”**) with the whole Section. So with that in mind we as the ECS Organization Team agreed on **two official meetings per year** (one per semester), which will be arranged and announced by us.

We strongly encourage you to **meet more frequently** if you wish so.

You are free in the type of meetings, place and on contents. If you want to organize bigger things such as **workshops or mini-conferences** for example, you can always contact us (early-careers@geo-x.net) or the Geo.X Head-Office (info@geo-x.net).

3) Many members expressed the wish to take part in workshops such as programming, developing soft skills, or LaTeX. The biggest demand was for a **workshop about funding possibilities** after the PhD. And this will be the first one to take place. Even better it will take place together with our next meeting. We will send a separate invitation for this, but please take notes already!

Save the date: July 5 (Thursday), 16:00h at FU Berlin GeoCampus in Lankwitz

We will hold the workshop about funding possibilities for PostDocs first and gather afterwards for discussing up-to-date developments and having a BBQ! 😊

4) Some members suggested to go on a **field trip** to the Berlin-Brandenburg region together, in order to get to know the region a bit better.

We want to ask you for **your ideas**. What are you interested in, what would you like to see? Should it be one day or two days? When? What is the budget? Who to ask for some Geo-input?

We have set up a “slack” channel, which everyone can easily join <https://geo-x-earlycareers.slack.com/messages/CAJG7SAHK/team/> to brainstorm and get your ideas organized.

We are looking forward to hear from you and see you soon!

Sarah, Teo, Lisa and Jacob