

Welcome Week 2019

In October 2019, the new students of the Master in Economic Policy were welcomed by Prof. Dr. Matthias Hunold, who is himself also new to the program, as well as Dominik Kowitzke, the Academic Advisor, and the three tutors and senior students, Kira Maksimova, Thi Ngoc Nguyen, and Afrah Ben Ali. After a small introduction of each person, everybody enjoyed lunch together in the cafeteria of the University of Siegen.

Afterwards, and for the following days, the students got to know the city and the university during organized rallies or evening hours in a local pub, and were informed about the program structure and its rules.

The last evening awaited the students with the annual welcome event, where the new students mix up with senior students, professors, research assistants, and MEPS alumni. Here, everybody could enjoy an emotional speech by Prof. Koch, who recently retiring from his position as a chairholder and his position as a program director, follow and interesting research presentation of Zareh Asatryan, a deputy head of ZEW's Research Department in Mannheim, and gather useful information during the introduction into the everyday work of our alumni Ilya Grigorev. Then international snacks and sparkling wine were served support a nice get-together leading to interesting talks, nice photos, and laughter.



