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# NEWS

## Latest Highlights

### New Publications

- Max Schubach, Thorben Maass, Lusiné Nazaretyan, Sebastian Röner, Martin Kircher (2024). **CADD v1.7: Using protein language models, regulatory CNNs and other nucleotide-Level scores to improve genome-wide variant predictions.** *Nucleic Acids Research*, Volume 52, Issue D1, 5 January 2024, pp. D1143-D1154. <https://doi.org/10.1093/nar/gkad989>
- Alexandra Kapp, Helena Mihaljevic (2023). **Reconsidering Utility: unveiling the limitations of synthetic mobility data generation algorithms in real-life scenarios.** *Proceedings of the 31st ACM International Conference on Advances in Geographic Information Systems (SIGSPATIAL '23)*. Association for Computing Machinery, New York, NY, USA, Article 93, pp. 1–12. <https://doi.org/10.1145/3589132.3625661>

### New HEIBRiDS Faces

A new associated PhD student joined HEIBRiDS. **Ana Lomashvili** is a new associate student and is working on the project: **“Multimodel machine learning supported rock classification in the scope of in-situ Martian data”**, supervised by Begüm Demir (TU Berlin) and Kristin Rammelkamp (DLR).

We wish her a great start!

## Announcements

### HEIBRiDS Lecture Series and PhD Seminar

After Rita Streblow’s Lecture on [“Digital energy neighbourhoods – Opportunities and challenges”](#), **February 7**, 16:00, the HEIBRiDS lecture and the PhD seminar will take a break due to the lecture-free period. **We will start again on April 17, 2024!**

### HIDA Lecture

Dr. Melissa Laufer, Head of Research Programme: Knowledge & Society, Alexander von Humboldt Institute for Internet and Society, Berlin, will deliver the HIDA Lecture [“On AI and Large Language Models”](#) online on **February 14, 2024, 11:00.**

## HIDA Hackathon on Computer Vision

On **February 27–29, 2024** the **HIDA Hackathon on Computer Vision**, co-organized by **HEIBRiDS** will take place at the ECDF, Wilhelmstraße 67, 10117 Berlin. All information [here](#).

## HIDA-Sponsored Instructor Training

Do you want to become a **certified instructor** and learn how to teach data science skills to others? Then apply for **HIDA-sponsored instructor training seat at The Carpentries** [here](#). Note: There will be an exclusive instructor training for HIDA from 26-29 February 2024 (approx. 10:00-14:00).

## Meeting HEIBRiDS Steering Committee

The **HEIBRiDS steering committee** will meet on **March 13, 2024**, 9:00-12:00 at the ECDF, Wilhelmstraße 67, 10117 Berlin, conference room, first floor. Please contact [sandra.pravica@tu-berlin.de](mailto:sandra.pravica@tu-berlin.de) or [eirini.kouskoumvekaki@mdc-berlin.de](mailto:eirini.kouskoumvekaki@mdc-berlin.de) if you have questions on the meeting.

## HEIBRiDS Retreat

On Tuesday, **April 9** and Wednesday **April 10, 2024**, we'll have the **HEIBRiDS retreat** at [Märkisches Gildehaus in Caputh at Schwielowsee](#). We start on April 9, 10:30 and end the first day at 20:00 after a joint dinner. The doctoral students will stay on site for the second day. Find the detailed program [here](#).

## HIDA Graduate Schools Meetup at the Helmholtz AI Conference

Upcoming opportunities for an **exchange with the other HIDA schools** and PhD candidates in **June 2024**: HDSLEE fellow Johannes Wasmer is organising an exchange between the HIDA schools on the occasion of the **Helmholtz AI Conference in Düsseldorf 2024 – [June, 11](#)** (Jülich), [June 12](#) (Düsseldorf).

## Training Offers from our Partners

- Training offers from the **Humboldt Graduate School** and the **Dahlem Research School** can be found [here](#) and [here](#). For registration, please follow the registration link for each individual workshop.
- Training offers from **HIDA**, our sister-schools **HIDSS** and **HIFIS** can be found [here](#), [here](#) and [here](#).

**Enjoy the lecture-free time!**