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## SUSTAINABLE CHEMISTRY ON THE MOVE

## PEOPLE

## More Indian and German students participate in the INDIGO programme

Three young scientists from Regensburg / Germany and two PhD students from India took part in the INDIGO exchange programme in 2011.

**Mr. Julian Bodensteiner** from the group of Prof. Oliver Reiser (University of Regensburg) executed a three-month research project at the Institute of Life Sciences in Hyderabad with Prof. Javed Iqbal, investigating new tetrahydrofuran based compounds as potential histamine receptor ligands.



Rajendran Saravana Kumar (left) and Prof. Henning Hopf (right) at the Institute of Organic Chemistry in Braunschweig

The second INDIGO-student from India, **Mrs. Munmun Ghosh**, carried out a research project in the group of Dr. David Díaz-Díaz (University of Regensburg) on silk-based materials for organocatalysis in cooperation with her PhD supervisor Prof. Sayam Sen Gupta (NCL Pune).



Prof. Javed Iqbal (left) and Julian Bodensteiner (right) at the ILS in Hyderabad

The other two students from Germany, **Mr. Lennart Niehues** and **Mr. Jan-Philip Meyer** form the group of Prof. Burkhard König (University of Regensburg), stayed for six months in the group of Prof. Ghoverdan Mehta at the University of Hyderabad.

**Mr. Rajendran Saravana Kumar** from the group of Prof. Sankararaman (IIT Madras) was hosted by Prof. Henning Hopf at the Technical University of Braunschweig to work on a new route to functionalized tribenzotriquinacenes.



Dr. David Díaz-Díaz (left) and Munmun Ghosh (right) in front of the chemistry building in Regensburg

# CALENDAR

## Third INDIGO PhD research conference in Chennai

The network's third PhD research conference and intensive course on Sustainable Chemistry will take place from **12<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> of February 2012** in Mahabalipuram near Chennai, India.

Preliminary Programme:

**Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>**

**02:45 pm** WELCOME TO THE INDIGO PHD NETWORK MEETING

**03:00 pm** RESEARCH SESSION 1

**Prof. Burkhard König** (University of Regensburg)  
**Ms. Susanne Kümmel** (University of Regensburg)  
**Prof. Uday Maitra** (IISc Bangalore)  
**Mr. Arkajyoti Chakraborti** (IISc Bangalore)

**05:00 pm** RESEARCH SESSION 2

**Prof. Sayam Sen Gupta** (NCL Pune)  
**Ms. Munmun Ghosh** (NCL Pune)  
**Dr. David Díaz-Díaz** (University of Regensburg)  
**Prof. Ruth Gschwind** (University of Regensburg)

**Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>**

**09:00 am** **Dr. Peter Walther** (BASF SE)  
**Dr. Vijay Swaminathan** (BASF SE)

**10:30 am** RESEARCH SESSION 3

**Dr. Ganesh P. Pandey** (NCL Pune)  
**N.N.** (NCL Pune)  
**Prof. Volker Sieber** (TU München)  
**Prof. S. Sankararaman** (IIT Madras)  
**Mr. Rajendran Saravana Kumar** (IIT Madras)  
**Prof. Henning Hopf** (TU Braunschweig)

**03:00 pm** RESEARCH SESSION 4

**Dr. Kirsten Zeitler** (University of Regensburg)  
**Mr. Johannes Franz** (University of Regensburg)  
**Dr. Sanjay Batra** (CDRI Lucknow)  
**N.N.** (CDRI Lucknow)  
**Prof. Achim Wagenknecht** (KIT)

**05:30 pm** RESEARCH SESSION 5

**Prof. Oliver Reiser** (University of Regensburg)  
**Mr. Paul Kohls** (University of Regensburg)  
**Mr. Viktor Kais** (University of Regensburg)  
**Mr. Matthias Knorn** (University of Regensburg)  
**Prof. Javed Iqbal** (ILS Hyderabad)  
**N.N.** (ILS Hyderabad)

**Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>**

**09:00 am** RESEARCH SESSION 6

**Prof. Balaji Jagirdar** (IISc Bangalore)  
**N.N.** (IISc Bangalore)  
**Prof. Fritz E. Kühn** (TU München)  
**Dr. Mirca Cokoja** (TU München)  
**Prof. Nikolaus Korber** (University of Regensburg)

**11:15 am** RESEARCH SESSION 7

**Prof. S. Chandrasekaran** (IISc Bangalore)  
**N.N.** (IISc Bangalore)  
**Prof. Alakesh Bisai** (IISER Bhopal)  
**Mr. Subhrajit Rout** (IISER Bhopal)  
**Prof. Axel Jacobi von Wangelin** (Uni Regensburg)

**03:00 pm** RESEARCH SESSION 8

**Prof. Ghoverdan Mehta** (Univ. of Hyderabad)  
**N.N.** (University of Hyderabad)  
**Prof. N. Jayaraman** (IISc Bangalore)  
**Mr. Rahul B. Suresh** (IISc Bangalore)

**05:00 pm** RESEARCH SESSION 9

**Prof. M. Jayakannan** (IISER Pune)  
**Mr. Maroti Pawar** (IISER Pune)  
**Prof. Arno Pfitzner** (University of Regensburg)  
**Prof. Sujit Roy** (IIT Kharagpur)  
**N.N.** (IIT Kharagpur)

**Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>**

**09:00 am** RESEARCH SESSION 10

**Prof. Dilip D. Dhavale** (University of Pune)  
**N.N.** (University of Pune)  
**N.N.** (IIT Kanpur)

**11:00 am** RESEARCH SESSION 11

**Prof. Sundarababu Baskaran** (IIT Madras)  
**Mr. Sangram Gore** (IIT Madras)  
**Prof. Henri Brunner** (University of Regensburg)

**02:30 pm** TRAINING SESSION 1

**Prof. Christopher Hunter** (Univ. of Sheffield, UK)

**05:00 pm** TRAINING SESSION 2

**Prof. Hendrik Zipse** (LMU Munich)

**07:00 pm** CLOSING REMARKS

**Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>**

EXCURSION TO PONDICHERRY

## FOCUS

### New INDIGO Partners



The **IISER Bhopal** and the **IISER Pune** - two of the recently founded **Indian Institutes of Science Education and Research** - have been accepted as new INDIGO-partners.

The contact persons for the INDIGO-programme at these institutions are Prof. Vinod K. Singh and Dr. Alakesh Bisai at the IISER Bhopal and Prof. N. Jayakannan at the IISER Pune.



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Detailed information and latest news about the project at:

[www.sustainable-chemistry.de/INDIGO](http://www.sustainable-chemistry.de/INDIGO)



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