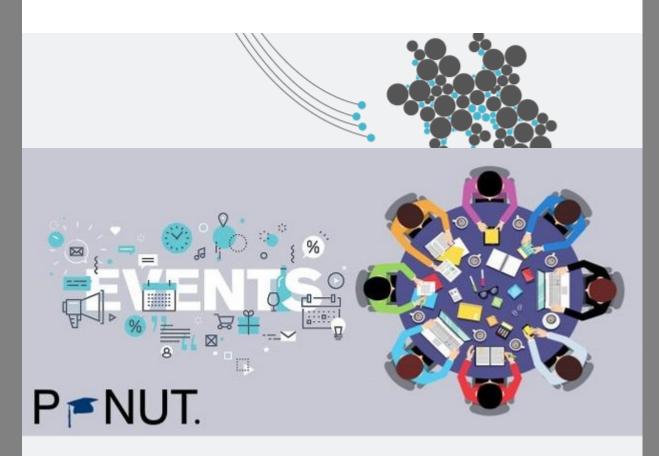
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Dear Colleague,

Summer seems to be finally kicking in, so you can expect more events in the open air while the good weather lasts! You can read all about it in our newly compacted events calendar. This and more you can find in this newsletter:

- P-NUT Events Calendar
- Seasonal Book Club
- P-NUT DE&I Grant Neurodiversity
- · Aditya elected in the university council!
- P-NUT Buddy Program
- Revision of the doctoral promotions! (ius promovendi)
- P-NUT: 'PhD candidates discouraged by government plans'

Have you unsubsribed from the newsletter in the past? Due to a bug in the Pronuntio system of the UT all active PhD candidates have been resubscribed to this mailing list. We ask everyone who wans to unsubscribe to do so via this link. No need to send us an e-mail anymore!



EVENTS CALENDAR

Do you think information on events is too scattered? We have compacted all upcoming relevant events into one place for your convenience. Check it out:

Upcoming events:

- Registration P-NUT Bad Bentheim Bike Trip June 29th: https://www.utwente.nl/en/p-nut/events/2024/p-nut-BadBentheimBikeTrip/
- P-NUT Monthly Drinks July 3rd: https://www.utwente.nl/en/p-nut/events/2024/p-nut-monthly-drinks-july/
- P-NUT Pizza Picnic July 10th: https://www.utwente.nl/en/p-nut/events/2024/7/1588463/p-nut-pizza-picnic

We also have fixed dates for some upcoming events, block your agenda and stay tuned for the registration!

Save the date:

- P-NUT Barbecue: 31st of August
- P-NUT Career event November 18th (Offline) & November 20th (Online)

P-NUT also promotes events from related associations and organizations, check out the following events.

External events:

- Climate Cafe June 27th: https://www.utwente.nl/en/sustainability/climate-centre/attachments-forms/climate-cafe-27-06-2024/
- Language Cafe June 27th: https://www.utwente.nl/en/education/student-services/news-events/news/2024/6/1578760/language-cafe
- Green Hub Twente Symposium: Geo-Techno-Social solutions for sustainability transformation October 10th: https://www.utwente.nl/en/sustainability/green-hub-twente/Events/symposium/
- NRIN ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM 2024: Shaping a positive Research Culture at Higher Education Institutions October 25th: https://www.nrin.nl/news-blog/nrin-annual-symposium-save-the-date
- Climate Event 2024 Connecting Science to Society November 5th: https://www.utwente.nl/en/sustainability/climate-centre/events/2024/11/1591600/climate-event-2024





SEASONAL BOOK CLUB

Storm Front by Jim Butcher

Neurotribes: The Legacy of Autism and the Future of Neurodiversity

Lessons in Chemistry Bonnie Garmus

Pre-decided dates for the upcoming meet-ups

Join us for some fun-filled book discussions away from daily hustle and bustle of PhD life!

SEASONAL BOOK CLUB

The book club is entering a new season with a new book. This means that now is the perfect time to join. The next meeting is already coming up on July 10th!

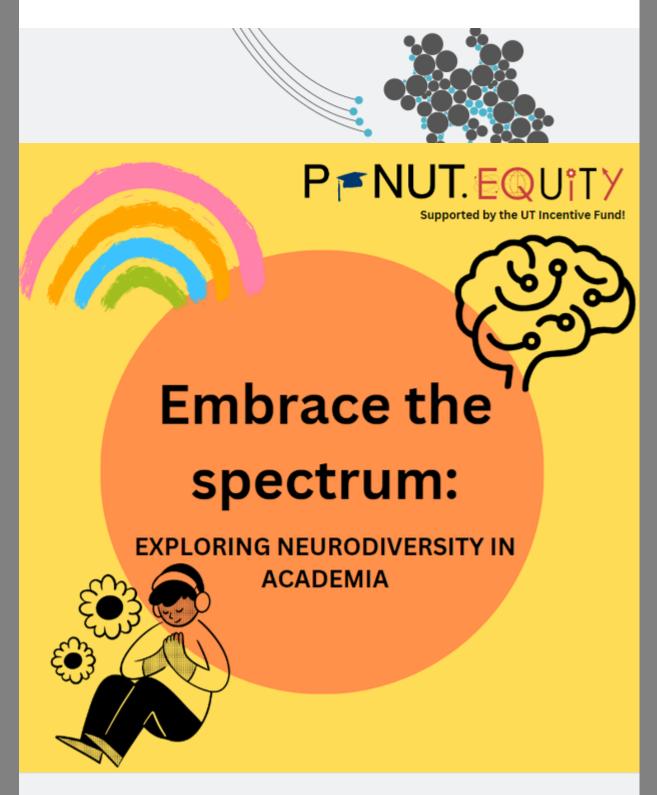
Here are the meeting dates for the upcoming year going forward:

- Summer Meeting: July 10, 2024

- Fall Meeting: October 9, 2024
- Winter (late) Meeting: December 11, 2024
- Winter (early) Meeting: January 8, 2025

Please mark these dates on your calendar. More details to follow closer to each meeting. $\hfill\Box$

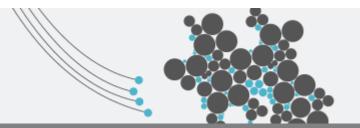
You can stay up to date by joining the P-NUT book club WhatsApp group via the community. Contact us if you have any questions!



P-NUT DE&I GRANT NEURODIVERSITY

P-NUT recently organized events around neurodiversity, for example in the P-NUT day and the Embrace the spectrum event. A lot of positive feedback encouraged us to apply for, and win (!), a grant from the Incentive Fund, organized by the Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DE&I) team of the UT. This will facilitate us to organize more events, which help to make the UT a more inclusive space for people with conditions like ADHD, dyslexia, and hypersensitivity. You can expect a co-creation starter event around October 2024.

Are you interested in helping? We look for event leads and organizational support. Get in contact with us via our <u>contact form</u> or our e-mail address: <u>p-nut@utwente.nl</u>.





DOCTORAL REPRESENTATION IN THE UNIVERSITY COUNCIL!

The election results are in! And we are happy to announce that Aditya, a fellow PhD candidate, has been elected for the university counsil! His plans include a revision of the bureaucratic tasks that doctoral candidates have to go through. We will keep you up to date about his progress through our newsletter.

You can find the election results on the UT website: click here.



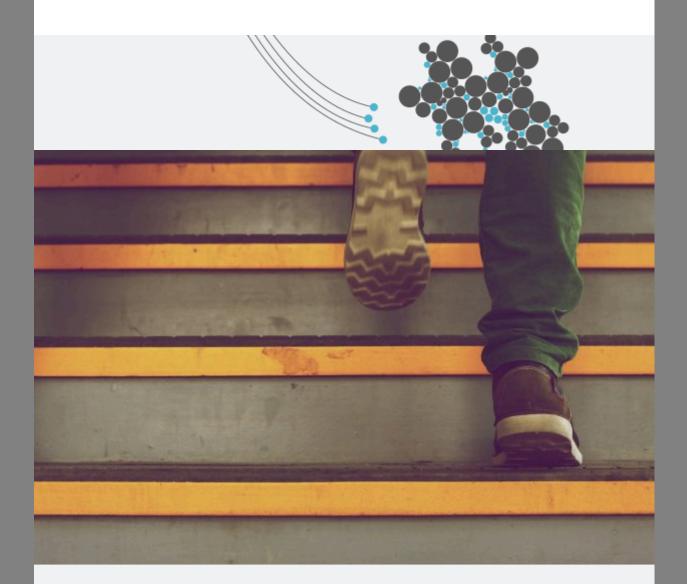
P-NUT BUDDY PROGRAM

We all know that the start of a PhD/EngD can be hard, especially when you come from a different country and do not know anyone. The PhD Network of the University of Twente (P-NUT) wants to make it easier for new doctoral candidates to adjust and assimilate at the UT and also get introduced to the P-NUT community. With the so-called buddy system, P-NUT will assign a buddy to new doctoral candidates based on similar interests.

Are you a new doctoral candidate looking for a buddy? Please feel free to sign up via this link:

Click here!

Are you a doctoral candidate interested in becoming a buddy for new doctoral candidates? Additional information and a sign up can be found via this link:



REVISION OF THE DOCTORAL PROMOTIONS! (IUS PROMOVENDI)

Since 2018, according to the Higher Education and Scientific Research Act (article 7.18 paragraph 4), the Doctorate Board can allow others than full professors to act as promotor. At the University of Twente, academic staff who hold the position of Associate Professor 1, and who meet additional criteria, can be granted the right to confer doctorates (ius promovendi). The ius promovendi serves to ensure the quality of PhD supervision. The current UT criteria follow a guideline from UNL for obtaining the right to confer doctorates.

The Doctorate Board of the University of Twente intends to <u>revise the criteria</u> for obtaining the ius promovendi, aiming to support talent development within the academic community - while simultaneously ensuring the quality of PhD supervision. To guarantee that any policy changes are supported by the scientistic staff and by doctoral candidates, the Doctorate Board is organizing a group meeting with stakeholders (date will follow).

P-NUT is looking for input on who should be able to become ius promovendi. What types of supervisors should get promotion rights? P-NUT is very interested in your

input. Let us know via our <u>contact form</u>, e-mail (<u>p-nut@utwente.nl</u>) or verbally during one of our events!



P-NUT: 'PHD CANDIDATES DISCOURAGED BY GOVERNMENT PLANS'

Promovendi Netwerk Netherlands (PNN) sent out an open letter to the new Minister of Education, Culture and Science last week, expressing their 'serious concerns' for the new generation of researchers. 'We definitely agree that things are not going the right way,' says Mario Boot on behalf of the PhD & EngD Network of the University of Twente (P-NUT).

Read the full article on UToday: https://www.utoday.nl/news/74372/p-nut-phd-candidates-discouraged-by-government-plans





Are you not done reading the latest doctoral news? PNN, the national PhD & EngD umbrella association, releases a monthly newsletter as well.

Click here to continue reading!





JOIN P-NUTS WHATSAPP GROUP

The P-NUT SocialApp group on WhatsApp provides a place for us to talk to each other, look out for each other and contact fellow doctoral candidates for support. You can suggest your ideas (e.g., events to be organized) and get in touch with your peers. After registration, we will provide you a link to join the SocialApp.

BENEFITS OF JOINING THE GROUP

- Ask for help with regulations, or any other related assistance;
- Let your peers know if you're self-isolating so someone can make sure you're okay;
- Get informed about new events sooner than via the P-NUT newsletter;
- Initiate events by yourself (e.g., walking on Campus or having a daytrip to a recreation park);
- Share (important) updates from official P-NUT sources (e.g., about events, surveys, etc.).

SOME DRAWBACKS OF JOINING THE GROUP

- We want to caution against the sharing of misinformation or speculation in the group, but we hope it can serve as a useful resource for building an effective support network;
- We suggest to mute notifications from this group, as it can be SPAM-intensive.

If you are not interested in joining this group but still want to be informed about events and updates you can also join the P-NUT InfoApp. We only share moderated messages from the P-NUT board there.

Click here to register.









About P-NUT

P-NUT passes the borders of faculties, departments and even universities by bringing PhDs and PDEngs with different backgrounds together to share their experiences and help each other to grow and become more efficient in their work. Our main objectives are to bring people who share similar interests together in both a professional and informal way, to inform them on the important aspects that might affect or benefit their careers, and share and defend the rights of the PhDs and PDEngs at the UT. These objectives define the three main goals of PNUT: **connect**, **inform** and **represent** the PhD candidates of the University of Twente.

Interested in representing and supporting your fellow PhD and PDEng candidates? Join the P-NUT board! As part of the board you become the voice of a community but also find constant opportunities to develop personally and professionally. Simply write us an e-mail.

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