

Successful workshop for World Logic Day at FernUniversität in Hagen/ Germany

To mark UNESCO's "World Logic Day" on January 14, the FernUniversität in Hagen hosted a virtual workshop. It was part of many events around the globe.



Logic has a long tradition dating back to ancient philosophy. Even so, it is more relevant than ever in the modern digital age. To honor logic and its great intellectual potential, UNESCO proclaimed January 14 as the international "World Logic Day." In 2021, it was celebrated for the third time. The FernUniversität in Hagen was also on board again with its own workshop. "It was a good event," sums up Claudia Anger (M.A.). Together with PD Dr. Jens Lemanski, she organized the several-hour event at the FernUniversität. The two researchers work in the Philosophy I department of Prof. Dr. Hubertus Busche and have been focusing on logical questions.

Due to the pandemic, this time the workshop took place in a purely virtual format. Guests could join the program at any time and from anywhere. There were three presentations in German and three in English by either international experts or young scientists. Claudia Anger herself spoke on Euler diagrams and syllogistics. Jens Lemanski gave a digital evening lecture as a guest in Guangzhou, China, before the start of the workshop. The highlight of the Hagen event was the contribution of the Greek keynote speaker Prof. Dr. Ioannis Vandoulakis, who is currently a visiting scholar at the FernUniversität.

Digital invitation to over 40 countries

"In Hagen, an average of 20 to 30 participants were connected," Lemanski reports. Holding the workshop digitally offered many advantages in the current pandemic situation, says the logic expert. "Next year, however, we would like to hold another hybrid event."

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