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Welcome Center Events

Sunday, March 11

Excursion to Freising

The city of Freising has a very different character compared to Munich. We will stroll over the Freisinger Marienplatz, discover the maze of the small streets in the old town and marvel at the splendor of the cathedral mountain.

Our guided tour brings us to the rococo façade of the Ziererhaus and the Renaissance court of the former prince-bishopal residence.



Together we will learn about the history of Freising, the oldest town along the river Isar. After our tour we will sit down in the beer garden of the Bräustüberl Weihenstephan, which offers a stunning view over the surrounding landscape.

Location: Please let us know if you want to meet directly in Freising or at Munich Central Station to travel together

Time: 8:30 a.m. at Munich Central Station or 9:45 a.m. in Freising

Price: EUR 4.00

To register, please send an [e-mail to Julia Vrooman](#)

Events in Munich

Friday, March 2 – Sunday, March 25

Strong Beer Festival

After Aschermittwoch and the end of carnival activities, the 40-day-long fasting period begins. In the past this abstinence was a strict matter for the religious Paulaner monks. Therefore, they used their abbey brewery to invent a very strong beer, the so called “liquid bread”. The beer was nutritious, but didn’t break the fasting.



Today this beer is named “Salvator” and there is a festival to celebrate it. Every year the festival takes place at the [Paulaner ballroom at Nockherberg](#). Within seventeen days, you can enjoy traditional Starkbier, Bavarian specialties and folk music. Concerning the atmosphere, the Starkbierfest is similar to the beer tents at the Oktoberfest. When the weather is good, the festival takes place outside in the beer garden.

Location: Nockherberg Traditionsgaststätten, Hochstr. 77, 81541 München

Public Transport: U1 Kolombusplatz, U2 Silberhornstraße, Tram 17 Schwannseestraße, Tram 25 Ostfriedhof

Time: Mon-Fri 2 p.m. – 11 p.m., Sat+Sun 11 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Tuesday, March 6 – Wednesday, March 7

Internet World Expo

At this year’s fair, [Internet World EXPO](#) awaits a record number of 17,000 visitors, with over 400 exhibitors and more than 200 speakers on various stages providing for an extensive program.



Visitors to the trade fair can enjoy a top-class show format at Trend Arena, free of charge, with top speakers from the world of eCommerce.

In total, there will be four Info Arenas at 2018’s fair, dealing with all industry-relevant issues. Here you will find talks on all this year’s hottest trends such as Online-Marketing, Augmented Reality, Payment, eLogistics, Omni-channel, Personalization and Online Legal Issues.

Location: Messe München

Public Transport: U2 Messestadt Ost/West

Time: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Price: The visit is free of charge if you register in advance

Sunday, March 11

St. Patrick's Day Munich

What started as a tiny event, has developed over the last twenty years into the largest [St. Patrick's Day Parade](#) in continental Europe.

Each year up to 25,000 visitors come together to celebrate the large Irish-Bavarian festival between Münchner Freiheit and Odeonsplatz, which transforms into a giant dancefloor with live music and Irish beer. Whatever you wanted to wear, make sure it is green – otherwise you are in danger of getting pinched.



Location: Münchner Freiheit

Public Transport: U3/U6 Münchner Freiheit

Time: starting at 12 a.m.

Price: free

Saturday, March 31 – Monday, April 2

Market for all senses

At the [Markt der Sinne](#), fans of craftsmanship get their money's worth. In the historic halls of the Praterinsel, the market invites you to experience Easter with all your senses: be ready for a mix out of art, craft and lifestyle, a relaxed atmosphere and creative workshops.

Besides colorful accessories for your home and garden, the artists also offer textiles, leather accessories, jewelry as well as oil and acrylic paintings, ceramic or sculptures in wood and metal for sale. The side program offers live music, shows and children's actions alongside a various offer of snacks and food.



Location: Praterinsel 3-4, 80538 München

Public Transport: U3/U5 Lehel, Tram 19 Maxmonument

Time: 11 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Price: EUR 7.00 (children under the age of 13 are free)

Events in Garching

Wednesday, March 7

[x] Hack&Talk

Every first Wednesday of the month, like-minded hackers, designers, and makers meet to work on their own projects through the night, exchange ideas and network in an inspiring atmosphere. The [\[x\] Hack&Talk](#) is dedicated to the promotion of out-of-the-box creativity and hands-on innovation. The event challenges participants to overcome technical barriers and quickly build highly innovative creations in a very short time.

In addition to the hack, technical experts deliver inspiring talks and share their unique experience with the community by showcasing their tech projects and know-how from an industry setting.

Location: Lichtenbergstr. 6, 85748 Garching

Public Transport: U6 Garching-Forschungszentrum

Time: 6 p.m. - 11 p.m.

Price: free



Saturday, March 17

Irish Heartbeat

Let's celebrate St. Patrick's Day! At the [Irish Heartbeat Festival in Garching](#), keg beer, Irish Whiskey and three Irish live bands will turn the evening into a real Irish festival. This year's show acts are Teresa Horgan & Matt Griffin, Réalta and theScreaming Orphans.

Location: Bürgerhaus, Bürgerplatz 9, 85748 Garching

Public Transport: U6 Garching

Time: 8 p.m.

Price: [EUR 27.40 \(regular\)](#)



Events in Freising

Wednesday, March 7

Let's have a drink at ...

The meetup [New in town Freising](#) is a meetup group in Freising, which gets together every Wednesday but extra events do happen as well. The Meetup group is for anybody who would like to get in touch with new people – German and English speaking expats in the Freising area, everybody is welcome.

Location: several places in central Freising

Public Transport: S1 Freising

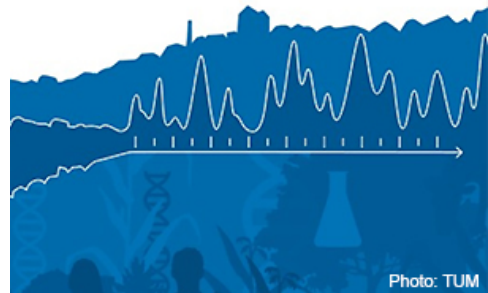
Time: various

Price: free

Tuesday, March 13

TUM@Freising

An exciting cross-section of topics from the Weihenstephan (WZW) Scientific Center of the Technische Universität München (TUM) awaits you: Every four to eight weeks, leading scientists from the TUM's Life Science Campus give a lecture on their research. Young professors of the WZW take over the moderation and invite you to a dialogue.



Relevant content, easy-to-understand language and entertaining presentation – that's how [TUM@Freising](#) wants to bring science to the city. A subsequent discussion is expressly desired after each lecture, because science lives from the exchange of views.

Location: Lindenkeller, Veitsmüllerweg 2, 85354 Freising

Public Transport: S1 Freising

Time: 8 p.m.

Price: EUR 17.00

Saturday, March 17

Al Jones & his Band

Over the last 30 years, [Al Jones](#) has worked with almost every famous R&B personality: B.B. King, Johnny Winter, Champion Jack Dupree, Tommy Tucker, Louisiana Red and others on concerts, tours and festivals. As stated in the American music journal *Living Blues* "There is nothing outside the U.S. that can compare with Al Jones and his band".



Location: Lindenkeller, Veitsmüllerweg 2, 85354 Freising

Public Transport: S1 Freising

Time: 7 p.m.

Price: [starting from EUR 15.00](#)

Notes

Little “How do Germans tick” Guide: Easter time in Germany

If you spend the Easter weekend in Germany, you should remember the phrase “Frohe Ostern”. Germans use it to greet their neighbors as well as close friends or family members. The Easter period doesn't start on Holy Thursday or Gründonnerstag, though.



Weeks before shops offer spring flowers and traditional Ostereierbäume (Easter trees), which get decorated with colorful, mouth-blown eggs. While eggs are traditionally dyed with natural materials like tea, dye kits are becoming more common. Most of the Easter eggs, which are hidden for the children on Easter Sunday, are made of chocolate or candy and represent sunlight and growth.

Next to the Easter egg, the bunny is probably the most popular Easter icon in Germany. In the morning, parents hide baskets filled with chocolate bunnies, sweets and little presents for their children. Like Santa Claus on Christmas Eve, the Osterhase (Easter bunny) brings the presents and chocolate on Easter Sunday. It is the highlight of the German Easter celebrations, because it remembers the day Jesus Christ was resurrected, according to the New Testament.

The Easter weekend in Germany begins with Karfreitag (Good Friday) and is celebrated as a quite holiday. Many families eat fish as their traditional lunch or get an Osterlamm at their favorite bakery – a traditional Easter treat in shape of a lamb. Good Friday and Easter Monday are public holidays which means that shops, banks and offices will be closed. Also the public transport will operate only on a limited schedule. Even though Easter Saturday is no holiday, many small shops in Munich and the surrounding areas will be closed.

Accommodation Center

If you plan to leave Munich in a while and are staying in a private accommodation that could possibly be rented out again to other international guests, please send an [e-mail to the Accommodation Center](#). The team of TUM International Center wishes everyone leaving a good continuation of your research and hope to welcome you back here someday.

TUM Research Alumni Network

Before leaving Munich, do not forget to join the [TUM Research Alumni Network](#). In this way, you will remain part of the international academic community of the Technical University of Munich. Also, do not miss to join the [TUM Research Alumni Gallery](#) and thus show your enduring affiliation to our institution.

Mentoring for Scientists

The [Mentoring for Scientists program](#) is designed for [international Research Alumni](#) and current guest scientists of TUM. It supports PhD students and post-docs in research and research-related matters. If you want to share your knowledge or learn from experienced colleagues, you can either apply for a mentor or a mentee during your stay at TUM.

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