

MASTER'S FAIR "FUTURE-FIT ECONOMICS"



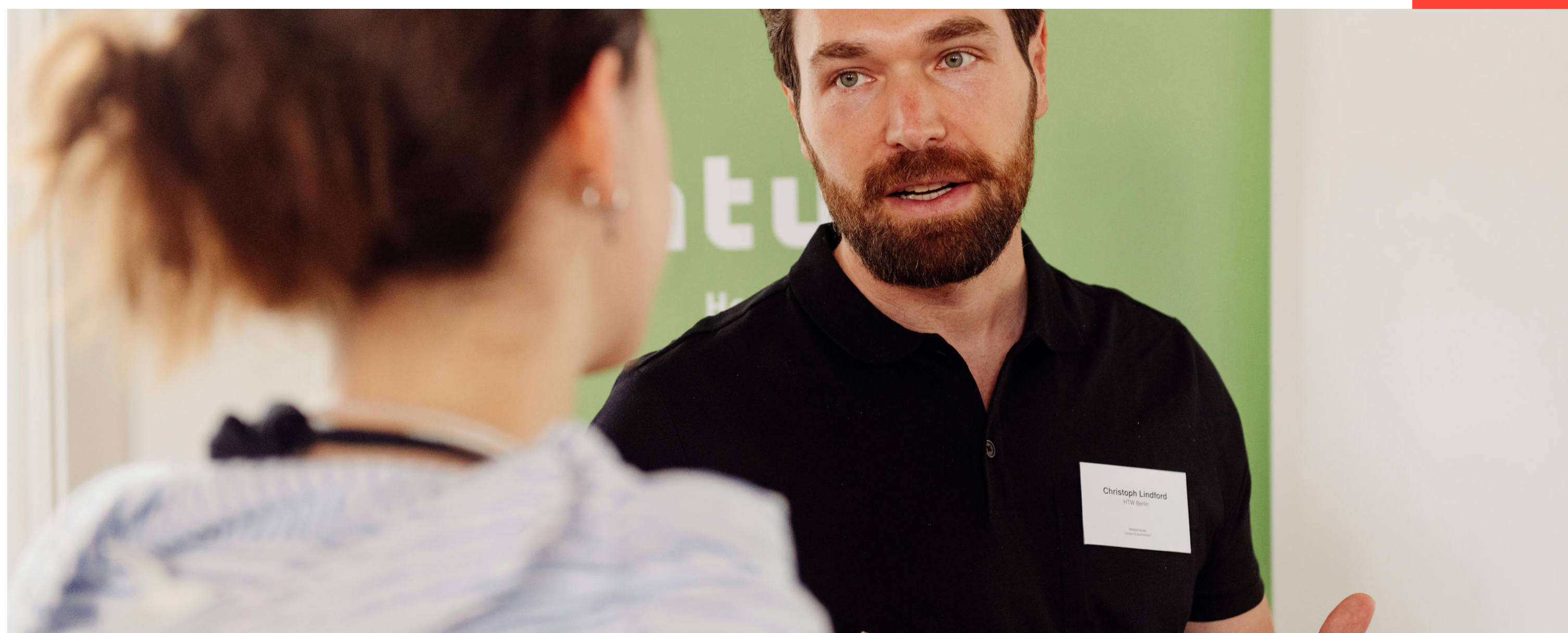
A Master's fair for future-fit economics

On the 3rd of May 2024, the Network for Pluralist Economics Germany, in cooperation with the Institute for International Political Economy Berlin, hosted the "future-fit economics" Master's fair on the Schöneberg campus of the Berlin School of Economics and Law (HWR).

The event offered prospective students a comprehensive overview of the innovative and diverse courses on offer in Germany's pluralistic university landscape and – by facilitating a space for free exchange and dialogue – provided in-depth insights into the contents of the Master's courses present, allowing students to find the degree programme best suited for their interests.

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Sustainable, just, and diverse

A total of nine universities from Berlin, North Rhine-Westphalia, Rhineland-Palatinate, Saxony and Bavaria presented themselves to the visitors. These included HWR Berlin, HTW Berlin, Hochschule für Gesellschaftsgestaltung, TU Chemnitz, Karlshochschule and the universities of Siegen, Duisburg-Essen, Witten-Herdecke and Bamberg. The Master's programmes presented ranged from "Political Economy of European Integration" to "Economics of Sustainability" and "Philosophy, Politics and Economics".

This brought together a diverse range of approaches, teaching methods, and perspectives at the Master's fair. Despite their differences, all the degree programmes represented shared a common focus on forward-looking, socially just, and ecologically sustainable economic theory and practice.

Tangible change

The growing institutionalisation of pluralist and heterodox economics in the German-speaking university landscape became evident at the Master's fair. The represented programs tackle contemporary challenges such as the climate crisis, species extinction, and growing inequality in all their complexity. They equip students to assume responsibility in business, politics, and civil-society. Our long-standing demand for an economics curriculum that addresses today's challenges and prepares us for the future is starting to become reality.

Pursue pluralist economics

Further information on the Master's degree programmes presented and the pluralist economics courses on offer in Germany can be found on the website of the Network for Pluralist Economics Germany.

Enthusiastic feedback

Between 45 and 70 prospective students were present at any given time, taking the opportunity to speak directly with current students and university representatives. In addition to those who traveled specifically for the Master's fair, attendees from the network's concurrent spring conference also joined the event. The vibrant and lively atmosphere of discussion greatly contributed to the fair's success. University representatives were pleased with the high level of participation and the valuable exchanges that took place.

Due to the highly positive response, **we are planning to organise a pluralist Master's fair again next year.**

