

Dear sustainability enthusiasts,

Welcome to the 16th issue of the newsletter we publish as part of the climate protection project. Here you will find small reports from the climate action and sustainability cosmos of the university at more or less regular intervals.

If you have recently joined here (yay!), you can check out the back issues on the [website](#).

Hello!

First of all - albeit a little late - a warm welcome to the new students who have joined the university and this little newsletter group at the start of the winter semester. Hopefully, the initial hustle and bustle of the start of the semester and studies has calmed down a little by now. I would therefore like to take this opportunity to once again invite you to take a look at the numerous student initiatives on the topic of sustainability. From my own experience, I can testify that getting involved is a lot of work, brings great joy and can lead to really good friendships. [Oh yes!](#)

ReparierBar

The ReparierBar, a repair café for students on the Haarentor campus, is a new addition to the initiatives this October. Not only can you (learn to) repair all sorts of things there, but you can also enjoy culture and meet new people without any worries. More information can be found [here](#) [link in German].

Ecological upgrading

Also from the category of student initiatives is a project completed in October for the ecological and - let's be honest - aesthetic upgrading of the inner courtyard in building A05 on the Haarentor campus. Initiated by the "Sustainability Economics and Management" student council, actively supported by the building management, financed and endorsed by the WiRe department and tirelessly implemented by a group of highly motivated students, 9 raised beds were built in the inner courtyard in October and planted with insect-friendly perennials - all at lightning speed, i.e. within just a few months. Impressions of the result can be seen [here](#).

Financial injection

GVO Versicherung has set up a foundation to which associations, initiatives and other groups can apply for funding for their sustainable projects. Funding of up to €25,000 is possible, the closing date for applications is 30 March 2024, all information can be found [here](#) [link in German].

Expansion of PV systems

From the progress news section: Further PV systems were installed at the Wechloy site on building W30 on 4 October 2023 (31.6 kWp), now followed by a further 42 kWp on building A15 in Haarentor in November.

Accessibility

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to point out that the university website on "Climate Protection & Sustainability" is now also available in plain language. Feel free to [take a look!](#)

That's it again for news on this topic. Please feel free to send us any questions, suggestions or criticism.

Best regards & have a nice weekend

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