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Report on my attendance at Goethe University

I have spent the academic year 2018-2019 at Goethe University in Frankfurt as a visiting scholar. It has been a productive year in terms of benefitting from the strong scholarly milieu at the philosophy department, where I regularly followed the weekly seminars given by prof. Marcus Willaschek. I also had the opportunity to forge relationships with some professors from other departments who work on the same topic but from a different, legal and sociological perspective, as well as with some interesting PhD and post-doc fellows who were doing research on topics that were relevant to my own research. I benefited greatly from their scholarly input and feedback.

I have benefited immensely from being part of the colloquiums and the weekly lectures given by internationally renowned scholars at the Cluster of Excellence Normative Orders at Goethe university. What was truly beneficial and, to my mind, more relevant even than having conversations with experts on the field, was the library that I used. I had access to all the books and articles I needed in German and the help of friends and colleagues who assisted me in any way they could to understand difficult texts in German.

On a subjective level I think it was nice to change place and be on a different study environment. It gave me the opportunity to refresh my ideas and see them from a perspective which otherwise I would not have had access to had I not taken this trip.

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