

Conference "SheEngage: Networking and career opportunities" with great success

On April 8 and 9, 2025, the ProF@THGA project transformed the Georg Agricola University of Applied Sciences into a lively meeting place for young female-engineers and -scientists.

Main topics & program

Kinga Bartczak's presentation on **female empowerment and personal branding** on 8 April 2025 and the subsequent networking were a successful start to the event.

The next day was dedicated to the topics of **mental health in science, start-up growth** and **scientific discoveries**. Before the lunch break during the panel discussion, the three THGA professors Susanne Lengyel, Nicole Lefort and Isabella Risini reported on their individual experiences, motivators and personal support on the path to professorship.

The afternoon was dedicated to practical fields of application. Three high-caliber speakers moderated the workshops

- Reflecting on your own motives and developing (career) perspectives - Julia Kaup
- Successful publishing - Miriam von Maydell
- Deep dive into the 4 power levers for a successful career as a woman in technical contexts - Linda Bosse

Participant feedback

The feedback was more than positive:

- **Organisation & atmosphere:** over 90% of respondents were very satisfied with the course, location and supporting program.
- **Networking:** Numerous participants emphasized how effortlessly new contacts were made and the importance of personal exchange for their careers.
- **Practical relevance:** The methods and best practices taught were rated as directly valuable for everyday working life.

Pride & outlook

"With 'SheEngage', we have succeeded in sending a strong signal for diversity and equal opportunities in technical and scientific professions," says Judith Heimeier, project coordinator of ProF@THGA, summing up the event.

We would like to thank all the speakers, participants and supporters for their commitment and the inspiring discussions. The positive impulses and networks created will accompany us and many other women on their career path in the long term.