

Farewell from the Council - Ulrich Arning

On 7 February 2024, we officially bid farewell to Ulrich Arning from the IFF council.

We express our gratitude for his many years of active and valuable cooperation to the benefit of the institute and the research association as deputy chairman.

The team of the IFF wishes Mr. Arning all the best for his future in a well-deserved retirement.



Photo from the left:
Prof. Werner Sitzmann (Kahl), Ulrich Arning (DVT),
Joachim Behrmann (Kahl), Rolf-Michael Blume (IFF)

Inventory for the technical centre and laboratory of IFF

At the beginning of this year, Eurofins Institut Nehring GmbH in Braunschweig was dissolved. Thanks to the active support of Patrick Sudwischer and Kristina Wöhe, we succeeded in getting used but high-quality equipment as well as general consumables such as chemicals, sample containers, labels, etc. This gives us the opportunity to expand and organize our analysis services more efficiently and to renew our stock of laboratory equipment.

As part of the company dissolution, we were able to recruit a former Nehring employee, Ulrike Rudolph, to cover for Mrs. Wöhe's parental leave.

Furthermore, our technical centre has been equipped with a new steam system from the company Certuss. This marks another step towards PMP^{IFF} = Precise Manufacturing Practice. Our member company, Armstrong International Deutschland GmbH in Saarbrücken, will assist us in the installation of steam lines and connection of the steam system, for which we are very grateful.



Photo: new steam system



Photo: Ulrike Rudolph

Anikó Głokowski-Merten, Member of the German Bundestag, visits the IFF

On behalf of the constituency office of the FDP, a visit appointment has been arranged to learn more about the work of the IFF.

We were very pleased about the opportunity for a personal exchange and invited Ms. Głokowski-Merten to our premises on 11 January 2024.

During the conversation and a tour of the technical centre of IFF, Ms. Głokowski-Merten was able to gain an impression of the IFF and our activities in the field of research and services.



Photo from the left: Prof. Werner Sitzmann (Kahl), Anikó Głokowski-Merten
and Rolf-Michael Blume (IFF)



Photo: Technical centre of IFF

Practical training course "Pelleting of compound feed" on 29 and 30 January 2024

For our two-day practical training course "Pelleting of compound feed" we welcomed participants from various fields including animal nutrition and compound feed, who were interested in learning the fundamental process steps and process parameters of pelleting.

The focal points of the course included, among others, the following topics:

- Agglomeration processes
- Cooling
- Pellet quality
- Stability of additives
- Steam generation
- Energy management
- Operating parameters of pelleting
- Practical training (technical centre)

We would like to thank to Marc Markowsky and Timo Müller for the factory tour at Salmatec GmbH in Gödenstorf.



Photo: Internship at the technical centre of IFF



Photo: Participants at the Salmatec factory

Certification course "Basics of compound-feed production" from 4 to 8 March 2024

From 4 to 8 March 2024, 21 participants had the opportunity to acquire the expertise necessary for the production of compound feed through lectures, practical exercises, and demonstration experiments in the pilot plant and laboratory.

The course concluded with a written test, serving as proof of the expertise required for the production of feed according to the Feed Regulation (FuttmV) and Feed Hygiene Regulation (Regulation (EC) 1831/2003). All participants who passed the exam were awarded a certificate.

We would like to express our gratitude to the following external speakers for their support: Dr. Sabine Meyer (DMSB, Braunschweig/Germany), Nils Rache (Bühler GmbH, Braunschweig/Germany), Florian Schmüchler and Felix Bankosegger (Amandus Kahl GmbH & Co. KG, Reinbek/Germany) and Bart van den Brand (KSE Process Technology B.V., Bladel/The Netherlands).



Photo: IFF Seminar room



Photo: Participants of the course

Courses and Events 2024

Monday, 29 January and Tuesday, 30 January	Practical Course "Pelleting of compound feed" + visit to the SALMATEC GmbH (German)
Monday, 4 March to Friday, 8 March	Certification Course "Basics of compound-feed production" (German, proof of technical expertise towards authorities)
Monday, 29 April	59th Statutory General Meeting (German)
Monday, 6 May and Tuesday, 7 May	Online-Course "Pelleting of compound feed" (English)
Tuesday, 4 June	Expert Conference "Emissions in the compound feed industry" (German)
Tuesday, 24 September and Wednesday, 25 September	Workshop "Sampling, sensory evaluation of raw materials and compound feed and their analysis" (German)
Monday, 21 October and Tuesday, 22 October	2 Day Online Conference "Insect revolution!" (English)
Tuesday, 5 November	Expert Conference "Digitisation 4.0" (German)
Tuesday, 19 November to Thursday, 21 November	Compact Course "Basics of compound feed production" (German)
Tuesday, 3 December to Thursday, 5 December	Workshop "Soya treatment – From cultivation to the end product" (English) in cooperation with Donau Soja Organisation

Subject to change

We offer companies the opportunity to enhance IFF events with expert contributions. At this point, we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all speakers who have supported us in past events. We look forward to further collaboration.

For upcoming events, we have already been able to attract competent expert speakers.

We would be delighted if you could also contribute to the success of our events with an expert contribution and contact us in this regard!

Seminar "The Feed Technology" on 9 March 2024

As part of the continuing education programme "Advisor for Horse Feeding and Feeding Management (TWI)" organized by the Tierwissenschaftliches Institut (TWI, Animal Science Institut), a one-day seminar on feed technology took place on 9 March 2024 at the IFF institute. The seminar was organized by Petra Ding and its content was designed by Dr. Klaus-Dietrich Neumann.

The seminar, attended by 27 participants, provided insight into the process engineering of compound feed production, focusing on milling, mixing and pelleting. The presentations, supplemented by questions and discussions, were complemented by a tour of the research institute's pilot plant.



Photo: Technical centre of IFF

IFF-MEMBERSHIP

As new members of the IFF, we warmly welcome FOSS GmbH from Hamburg, Germany, and VITALAC from France.

FOSS (www.foss.de) is the world's leading provider of analytics for the food and agricultural industries. They assist producers in maximizing the value of their production while optimizing the use of valuable natural resources.

VITALAC (www.vitalac.eu) is a manufacturer specializing in animal nutrition, health and safety, serving all stakeholders in the agricultural sector in France and around the world.