

Dear students, dear colleagues,

The year 2022 is now coming to an end and I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a merry and reflective Christmas, some rest and relaxation between the holidays and, of course, a successful start to 2023, as well as to thank you all from the bottom of my heart for your commitment and dedication to and for our university in what continue to be very challenging times.

Together with you, I would like to look back on the year 2022 and the recent developments at our university on behalf of the entire university management: The year was characterized by encounters and exchange - in research, teaching and also in campus life. As part of the Science Week in March, we presented our innovative research and transfer in the fields of energy and sustainability, mobility and artificial intelligence. The University Open day, our 1st Homecoming Day for alumni as well as the Graduation Ceremony were (finally) held on campus again and enjoyed great popularity. In November, Wildau was also voted the fourth most family-friendly community in Germany - with TH Wildau playing a significant role in this achievement.

On our Christmas website, we recap the ending year 2022, share impressions of the past months with you and all those who are interested in our university, and venture a review of the year. In addition, I would like to send you a short Christmas-greeting video.

In this context, I would also like to draw your attention to two topics:

- On **11 January 2023**, 1 – 3 pm, our winter semester **university general meeting** will take place. It will be entirely online and you will receive further information in the first week of January.
- The topic of **energy saving** continues to concern us. We will soon be launching a small campaign on campus to raise awareness for this issue and to provide you with important tips and tricks.

On behalf of the university management, I would like to thank you for your trust and look forward to continuing our good cooperation.

Yours, Ulrike Tippe
President of TH Wildau