

INTERNATIONAL SDG-PROJECT

GIVING NATURE ITS OWN RIGHTS



RESULT REPORT

In October 2024 students and professors from the University of Coimbra in Portugal and the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú had the opportunity to come together as part of a DAAD-funded blended mobility project on the topic of "Giving Nature its own Rights. Ethical and legal perspectives and the influence on the realization of selected SDGs" at the Environmental Campus Birkenfeld.

After intensive virtual preparation, the participants from various degree programs and countries were able to work on site and develop pro and con arguments on the rights of nature in international and interdisciplinary groups. As part of the project, they learned general debating rules so that they could defend their positions in an exciting final debate based on two case studies.

A special highlight was the cultural program, which included an intercultural evening with specialties from all participating countries in the campus' own pub "KADU". The visit to the national park led by a ranger also brought the group closer to the topics of biodiversity and the intelligence of nature, which gave the project an additional practical relevance.

The students were then able to process the impressions they gathered in their statements. Overall, the project provided a valuable opportunity to develop intercultural skills and gain new knowledge.

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Giving Nature its own Rights

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