

Network meeting with School of Applied Technical Sciences at Ernst-Abbe Hochschule in Jena

On 15th and 16th of February 2018 the network head Prof.Dr. Ralf Schuhmann together with his Jordanian counter-part Dr. Iyas Khader, Exchange Coordinator at the School of Applied Technical Science, Department of Industrial Engineering at GJU invited the network members to Jena.

The main target of the network industrial engineering was to reactive the network and to facilitate the staff and student exchange. Especially the coordination between the German international offices and the Industrial Engineering Departments at the School of Applied Technical Sciences (SATS) needed adjustments when it comes to credits taken in courses from related departments.

Joint collaboration was planned to be established by publications with German and Jordanian partners, preferably initiated by a research platform where professors from both sides can put their research interests and find partners for joint projects and publications.

Even though it was a small meeting it was still very productive and lit the spirit of Therefore it will be followed by a workshop meeting this November in Fulda to follow up.

The network confirmed that Jordan is not highly attractive to German engineering students yet. Therefore initiatives were discussed in order to attract more incoming students to GJU. One idea was to start a pilot "Summer School for Engineering students" from German partner universities spending two weeks of intensive training that will be credited at the end.

The kick-off of a Summer School for Engineers at GJU offers also the possibility to include other GJU faculties of engineering, such as Mechanical and Mechatronics Engineering, Computer Engineering or Environmental Engineering. Further steps will be discussed during the next network meeting on 8th and 9th November in Fulda.