

## 6<sup>th</sup> BfR-Stakeholder Conference “Scientific political consulting in the area of conflict between politics, science and the general public”

The 6<sup>th</sup> BfR-Stakeholder Conference is to be held on November 18<sup>th</sup> 2016 under the heading “Scientific political consulting in the area of conflict between politics, science and the general public”.

The event is to be dedicated to the question of which role scientific political consulting can and should play. If it wants to be scientifically upright, for example, should it see itself in the role of an “honest broker“, who presents politics with all available scientific evidence in a well balanced way? To do so, the conditions under which scientific know-how can form the foundation of political decisions have to be identified along with whatever constraints there may be. In essence, it should be all about defining the role of scientific political consulting in and for society more precisely: What *should* it do and what *can* it do, as well as what *can it not* and what *should it not* do!

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German-English translation:  
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## Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup> 2016

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11:00–11:15 am  
**Welcoming speech and opening**  
*Professor Dr Dr Andreas Hensel,  
German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment  
(BfR), Berlin*

11:15–11:30 am  
**Greeting**  
*Professor Dr Martin Grötschel,  
Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and  
Humanities (BBAW), Berlin*

## I Scientific political consulting – National and international perspectives

11:30–11:50 am  
**Scientific political consulting for consumer  
health protection**  
*Professor Dr Dr Andreas Hensel,  
German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment  
(BfR), Berlin*

11:50 am–12:10 pm  
**Knowledge for Parliament: Technology  
assessment in the German Bundestag**  
*Professor Dr Armin Grunwald,  
Office of Technology Assessment at the German  
Bundestag (TAB), Berlin*

12:10–12:30 pm  
**International dimension of scientific political  
consulting**  
*Dr Hubert Deluyker, European Food Safety  
Authority (EFSA), Parma, Italy*

12:30–1:00 pm  
**Discussion of Block I**

1:00–2:00 pm: Lunch break

## II Theatres of scientific political consulting

2:00–2:20 pm  
**Violence in public spaces/ crime**  
*Professor Dr Christian Pfeiffer,  
Criminological Research Institute of Lower Saxony  
(KFN), Hanover*

2:20–2:40 pm  
**Publication explosion without knowledge  
growth? Scientific political consulting in  
social science climate research**  
*Professor Dr Jan Christoph Minx,  
Mercator Research Institute on Global Commons  
and Climate Change (MCC), Berlin*

2:40–3:00 pm  
**Benefits and utilisation of political  
consulting: The evaluation of basic  
security benefits for job seekers**  
*Dr Peter Kupka, Institute for Employment  
Research (IAB), Nuremberg*

3:00–3:20 pm  
**Scientific political consulting between a  
legitimation function and the role of the  
“honest broker”**  
*Professor Dr Gert G Wagner,  
German Institute for Economic Research  
(DIW), Berlin*

3:20–3:50 pm: Coffee break

3:50–4:20 pm  
**Discussion of Block II**

## III Final considerations

4:20–4:40 pm  
**The role of scientific political consulting  
in society**  
*Professor Dr Helmut Willke,  
Zeppelin University, Friedrichshafen*

4:40–5:00 pm  
**Consequences for scientific political  
consulting? – Synopsis**  
*Professor Dr Dr Andreas Hensel,  
German Federal Institute for Risk Assess-  
ment (BfR), Berlin*

Approx. 5:00 pm: End of event

### Venue:

Berlin-Brandenburg Academy  
of Sciences and Humanities  
Markgrafenstrasse 38  
10117 Berlin

The Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences  
and Humanities is very easy to reach by public  
transport.

#### Subway (U-Bahn):

U2 to *Hausvogelplatz*  
U6 to *Französische Straße*

#### Tram:

12 and M1 to *Am Kupfergraben*

### Registration:

Participation fee: € 120  
Bank transfer to:  
Bundeskasse Trier – Dienstsitz Kiel  
IBAN: DE42210000000021001030  
BIC/Swift: MARKDEF1210  
with payment reference "1091 0017 8462 / sur-  
name".

Please register by November 9<sup>th</sup> 2016 using the  
online form available under the menu item  
"Events":

[www.bfr.bund.de/en/events.html](http://www.bfr.bund.de/en/events.html)

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