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Welcome!

Dear partners and friends of *Global Talent Mentoring*,

Welcome to the fifth issue of *The Hub*! I hope 2021 is off to a good and healthy start for you. On 27 January, we sent out acceptance emails to more than 120 outstanding mentees, who were selected from among more than 500 nominees. We will commence our pilot round of mentoring in March. We invite you to read more about our careful (and exciting!) review processes below. Also featured in this newsletter are Advanced Material Pandemic and Future Preparedness Taskforce (AMPT), one of our outstanding partners based in the United States, and Dr. Anna Bárbara de Freitas Carneiro-Proietti, a hematology expert based in Brazil and one of our distinguished mentors. Finally, we would like to highlight our social media communications, where we keep you up to date on our most recent developments and more.



Best wishes,
Prof. Dr. Heidrun Stoeger

Mentee–Mentor Matching is Underway—and We Need Additional Mentors!

The commencement of mentoring is just around the corner! Since our last newsletter in October, more than 120 young talents from five continents have been selected to participate as mentees, and more than 270 STEMM experts from all over the world have registered as mentors. To get us one step closer to the start of mentoring in March, our research team has thoroughly reviewed the profiles of each selected mentee and every registered STEMM expert so we can make excellent mentee–mentor matches.

Our mentees are truly amazing, and their STEMM interests are incredibly diverse. For some of our mentees' very specific interests, we are still in need of additional STEMM experts to become mentors. We already have an impressive roster of mentor volunteers, but we seek additional experts to expand our pool of willing mentors in some areas. Therefore, **we kindly ask you to reach out to your networks to help us find great mentors for our remaining unmatched mentees!**

We have assembled a list of the STEMM areas in which we most urgently require additional mentors. To view the current list, please [click here](#).

Volunteer as a mentor!

If you are a STEMM expert (PhD or equivalent, e.g., R&D experience) and would like to mentor an exceptionally talented youth in STEMM, please click on the blue button to register!

Spotlight

In each newsletter, we highlight supporters of *Global Talent Mentoring*. This month, we are featuring one of our partners and one of our distinguished mentors—both of whom are doing extraordinary work in their fields to advance STEMM talent, especially in underrepresented groups in STEMM. You can find the complete features on our [website](#).

AMPT: Equipping the Global Community to Tackle Future Challenges Together



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Advanced Material Future Preparedness Taskforce

New *Global Talent Mentoring* partner [Advanced Material Pandemic and Future Preparedness Taskforce \(AMPT\)](#) is an independent, international public-benefit organization committed to facilitating the global use of advanced materials to solve some of humanity's most immediate challenges and emerging needs. Headquartered in the United States and led by Vanderbilt University alumna Dr. Zina Jarrahi Cinker, AMPT was founded in 2020 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, but with a longer-term mission to facilitate international cross-discipline collaboration to use material science at the service of society and humanity. Through the use of advanced materials, AMPT aims to proactively solve pressing global problems by aligning the knowledge and actions of leaders from across the globe representing academia, industry, and policy-making organizations.

Global Talent Mentoring and AMPT are partnering to help realize the shared goals of solving some of humanity's most pressing challenges and advancing the global talent pipeline in STEMM—particularly in areas where STEMM talent development resources might be limited. Within this context, AMPT has committed to helping identify STEMM experts from across the globe in order to enable exceptionally talented youth in the Global South to participate in *Global Talent Mentoring* as mentees. Such partnerships enable *Global Talent Mentoring* to expand its international network of STEMM talent, as well as broaden the reach of the positive impact it makes in the lives of outstanding youths in STEMM.

Please [click here](#) to read our complete feature on AMPT, as well as our press release.

Interview with Mentor and Distinguished Researcher Dr. Anna Bárbara de Freitas Carneiro-Proietti

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—Dr. Anna Bárbara de Freitas Carneiro-Proietti



Dr. Anna Bárbara de Freitas Carneiro-Proietti (MD, PhD) is a leading hematologist, virologist, and psychoanalyst in Brazil. A woman of many talents, she conducts cutting-edge research in the areas of blood transfusions and blood-related diseases, such as Sickle Cell Disease and HIV. She currently does collaborative research work that brings together diverse research centers in Brazil and partners with the [National Institutes of Health](#) and [Vitalant Research Institute](#), both located in the United States. Dr. Carneiro-Proietti is also one of our distinguished mentors. She recently took time to chat with *Global Talent Mentoring* engagement specialist Christin Graml about the path that led her to her career as a hematologist, as well as share a bit about her experience as a woman in science.

***Global Talent Mentoring* is excited to have an experienced mentor such as yourself on board! Why do you enjoy being a mentor?**

"I like to network and make things happen for people. I like helping people find their way, their

passion, and where their strengths really lie. Helping people, listening to them, and giving advice come very naturally to me. One aspect I really like about my research work is that we interact with many, many students. They help us with the research and we guide them early on in their careers. It's great that we are able to support these students. Many medical students have told me that they studied hematology because of me. This makes me very happy. The most important thing in life is to find something you like. For me, this makes what I do professionally a pleasure, not work."

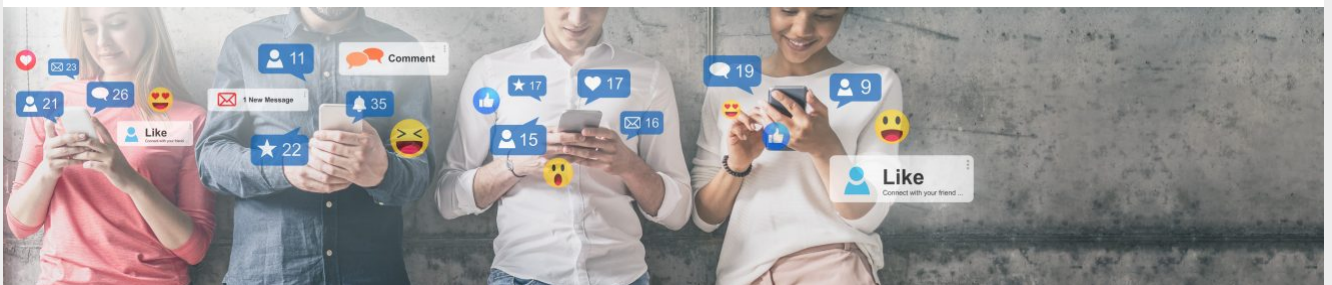
As a woman in STEMM, do you think it's important to have a female mentor?

"Yes, I think it's very important to have a female role model. Having a female figure like this in your life shows girls, especially the younger ones, that they have something to aspire to. If a girl sees a woman in STEMM, then she thinks she can do this, too. If a girl only has male role models, perhaps it's not so clear that she'll be able to make it. But as women see more and more women going into STEMM fields, they see that it's possible."

Please [click here](#) to read our complete interview with Dr. Carneiro-Proietti.

In the news

Follow *Global Talent Mentoring* on Social Media!



We would like to take a moment to tell you about our social media activity. *Global Talent Mentoring* is active on [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#). Stay in the loop by following us on social media, where we will keep you up to date on the latest news about the program, as well as share interesting, bite-sized information about mentoring and science. We also use our social media as a platform to draw attention to the work of our partners and other supporters ... and we are equally happy when they take a moment to highlight the efforts of *Global Talent Mentoring*! Follow us today, share our content with others, and please also invite your friends and colleagues to follow our activity!

Spread the news!

Please [share The Hub](#) with your friends and colleagues so that they can also become a part of our growing network. If you have any questions or comments, please email us at info@globaltalentmentoring.org.



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