

BIS City Talk

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**Educating
for tomorrow:
values + life skills
= changemakers**



**Bavarian
International
School**

Driving the future of education

Dear guests,

After a two-year break due to Corona, we are grateful to host the BIS City Talk again. This event gives us the chance to drive the future of education by bringing together experts from various fields to discuss, debate and inspire our community as well as the broader external community. We do this as partners with the Munich region, building links to business, science, politics and media.

As our event topic shows, everything is interconnected.

We are very pleased to welcome you as our guests today and are grateful for our speakers, our guest moderator, our sponsors and supporters.

I wish you an inspiring evening with excellent conversations and many new connections.

Warm regards



Dr. Chrissie Sorenson

Head of School & Executive Board
Bavarian International School gAG (BIS)



Values + life skills = changemakers

What values and life skills do children need for the new world of tomorrow?

Digitalization, automation, genetic manipulation and the development of artificial intelligence – what does the future of our society look like? And what gives us stability and orientation in these complex, rapidly changing times?

Schools must face up to the challenges of the future. BIS sees it as its central task to provide children with a stable set of values and future life skills. Only in this way can young people develop into changemakers who can make the world a better place.

How can addressing these challenges be integrated into teaching and learning? And how do business, science, politics and the media consider the role of education in establishing values and developing life skills? The BIS City Talk provides a forum for renowned experts to discuss these relevant topics in an interdisciplinary manner.

The BIS City Talk had its premiere in 2017 with the topic „Future Learning“. Subsequent events focused on „Design Thinking“ (2018) and „Positive Education“ (2019).





Wolfgang Rodler

IBM Innovation Studio Leader Munich

Born in 1988 in Rheinfelden, Switzerland, Wolfgang Rodler holds a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from the University of Ulm and an Executive MBA from Hult International Business School in Boston (USA) and Shanghai (China). After working at BMW and Deloitte, he joined IBM in 2017 as Senior Consultant for digital strategy. In his current position, his task is to redefine the engagement model of the IBM Innovation Studio in Munich and shape the overarching strategy of the 29 Studios across all continents. At BIS City Talk, he will hold the keynote on „Why ethical responsibility is evident when developing artificial intelligence!“



In order to be ready for future technologies such as artificial intelligence and quantum computing, we need leaders that have strong personal and moral values and relevant technical skills. Only then can these future leaders really make a difference in the introduction of these disruptive technologies.”



Livia Mitschke-Collande

Industry Head EMEA - Comparison Shopping Services / Voice for Diversity & Inclusion at Google Germany

As a passionate and inclusive people-first manager, Livia Mitschke-Collande and her team are responsible for consulting EMEA customers on their media marketing spendings, supporting them to find the right users and grow in their business units. She has worked for Google in various global business positions since 2014, prior to which she was at Condé Nast and Axel Springer. Mrs. Mitschke-Collande earned her Bachelor's in International Business at the Munich Business school, and her Masters from Bocconi University in Public Management and Finance. She resides in Schwabing with her husband and three kids: Nepomuk (5), August (2), and Helena (1).



Be bold, be curious, be you! Know your superpowers and build on them and don't compete with others rather get inspired by your peers.”



Milutin Delić

**Vice President & General Manager
Germany and Switzerland at ViV
Healthcare GmbH**

Milutin Delić has had an exciting career varying from a medical doctor to roles in international development to an executive in pharmacy. He studied in his hometown Belgrade, Serbia (MD Medicine, MSc Management, PhD Strategic Management) and has up until now lived in eight different countries. Today he manages a business based in more than 25 countries across Europe and parts of Asia. Since 2014 Mr. Delic is also the President of INOVIA, the Association of the manufacturers of innovative drugs (Serbia).



In an accelerated and VUCA (Volatility, Uncertainty, Complexity, Ambiguity) world around us, robust value set and nurtured agility are one's best platform to grow."



Dr. Andrea Taubenböck

**Managing Director of the foundation
Wertebündnis Bayern**

Wertebündnis Bayern comprises of 203 organizations bundling their resources to foster education on values for kids, adolescents and young adults. Dr. Andrea Taubenböck has been managing the foundation since 2015. Previously, she was head of division (Ministerialrätin) in the Bavarian State Chancellery and worked for the State Institute for School Quality and Educational Research (ISB), developing curricula as well as educational and didactic concepts for teaching modern foreign languages. She started her career as a teacher of English and French at Kurt-Huber-Gymnasium in Gräfelfing. Dr. Taubenböck holds a PhD in literary studies from Ludwig Maximilians University (LMU), she studied in Munich (LMU) and Paris (Sorbonne).



The further technology advances, the more important it is for schools to focus on what is at the core of being human – our values."



Dr. Chrissie Sorenson

**Head of School & Executive Board of
Bavarian International School (BIS)**

Since 2014, Dr. Chrissie Sorenson has been leading BIS as Head of School and Executive Board. The product of an international family herself, Dr. Sorenson (US American/German) has an accomplished career in education. She founded the International School of Monterey in California and headed the Dresden International School in Germany. In an honorary capacity, she is President of the Academy for International School Heads (AISH) and Board Member of the Rotary Club of Munich-Königsplatz. As a committed and passionate swimmer, Dr. Sorenson is also the coach of the BIS Lions Swim Team. She is a mother of three, speaks German fluently, and lives by the motto, „Where there is a will, there is a way!“



Two-thirds of tomorrow's jobs are not even known today. To best prepare young minds for a globalized, complex, fast-changing future, we need to equip them with stable values and life skills – including, for example, collaboration, creativity, innovativeness, problem-solving expertise, international mindedness and, last but not least, language and communication skills.“



Nina Eichinger

Moderator

Born in Munich in 1981, Nina Eichinger is a German moderator and actress. She graduated from the Munich International School in Starnberg. She then completed an acting class and camera training at Hollywood Acting in Los Angeles. In San Diego, she began studies in environmental and communication sciences, which she completed with a bachelor's degree at Franklin College Switzerland, Lugano.

Nina Eichinger has hosted dozens of television shows on channels such as ZDF, RTL, MDR, BR, SAT.1 and MTV, including, for example, the Bavarian Film Award and the José Carreras Gala. She was a jury member in the sixth and seventh seasons of Deutschland sucht den Superstar (RTL). She has appeared in eight cinema films, including those by directors such as Uli Edel, Till Schweiger and Markus Goller.

She has been volunteering for „Artists for Kids“ since 2000 and for the José Carreras Foundation since 2017. The Munich native herself became the mother of a son in 2016.

She will be hosting the BIS City Talk for the second time since 2019.

Changemakers for a new tomorrow

The Bavarian International School (BIS) is a community of over 1,150 learners and 170 educational leaders, working together to bring out the best in young people from over 60 nations, all within a caring and international environment.

BIS students are supported to become global citizens with outstanding language and communication skills, an intercultural mindset, and a deep understanding of digital technology and modern collaboration.

BIS is an International Baccalaureate (IB) World School, spanning two campuses in Munich-Schwabing and Haimhausen, where talented, globally-focused educators care for students ages three to 18. BIS is a private, non-profit, all-day school which ranks among the best international schools in Germany and in Europe.

One of the school's strengths is its connected, intercultural community which is continuously developing through a spirit of caring and inclusion.

Students are encouraged to develop themselves outside of the classroom as well, by taking part in one of 80 after school activities.

Educational technology has been an integral component of the learning philosophy at BIS for nearly 20 years. The combination of



digitally-savvy teachers, IT team and helpdesk team underlines BIS as a digital pioneer.

In 2021, BIS celebrated its 30th anniversary. The next chapter will include the funding and building of the new Creativity & Innovation Centre (CIC). Building on the foundation of its tradition, BIS is actively shaping the future of learning.

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