## University of Marburg, Germany, Marburg (17.03.2020)

In spite of all countermeasures, infections with the new Coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 are spreading further worldwide. Even though there have been no confirmed cases at Philipps-Universität Marburg, we want to take all necessary measures to ensure the health and safety of all our students and staff.

To contain the spread of SARS-CoV-2 and protect all members of the university, **the start of the summer semester has been postponed to April 20, 2020**. So far, all students can remain in the student halls.

Your students who have already arrived in Marburg are informed on the situation, and we make sure to be available for all questions via e-mail and phone, though all personal office hours have been cancelled.

For those students who have planned to come to Marburg in April, we regret to inform you that Philipps-Universitaet Marburg has decided to suspend all planned mobilities for summer semester 2020. We have informed all students accordingly.

Should you or your students have any inquiries please do not hesitate to get in touch with us:

- For all <u>non-academic and/or practical questions</u> we ask to contact the International Office staff at <u>international@uni-marburg.de</u>
- For all <u>academic questions regarding your students' study program</u> we kindly ask you to get in touch with the departmental academic exchange coordinator here at Philipps-Universität Marburg. For a full list of our departmental academic exchange coordinators please visit our website at <u>https://www.uni-marburg.de/de/international/ins-ausland/studierende/fachsbereichsbeauftragte/fachbereichsbeauftragte.</u>

You can find information on the situation here: <u>https://www.uni-marburg.de/en/university/administration/safety/coronavirus</u> - the website is updated regularly.

We also recommend to regularly check the website of the Federal Foreign Office for updated information on travel restrictions to Germany and Europe at <u>https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en</u>.

We appreciate your understanding for these protective measures to prevent coronavirus infections at our university and apologise for any inconvenience to all concerned.

With best wishes from Marburg

Your International Office Team