



## Sustainability Info for New Hires

Sustainability Mailing List: <https://intranet.mpia.de/intranet/en/sustainability>

- Our committee meets on the first Tuesday of every month at 10am in hybrid mode in the StarBox

### Commuting:

- Electric car charging stations available outside main gate of institute
- Job ticket: subsidized by MPIA, find more on the intranet
- [Königstuhl bike trail map](https://umap.openstreetmap.fr/en/map/biking-routes-to-mpia_89847#13/49.3812/8.7111): [https://umap.openstreetmap.fr/en/map/biking-routes-to-mpia\\_89847#13/49.3812/8.7111](https://umap.openstreetmap.fr/en/map/biking-routes-to-mpia_89847#13/49.3812/8.7111)
- Bike parking:
  - Primary: right side of main building, next to the Guest House
    - Here you can also find E-bike charging stations
  - Also: behind main building, on UG level
- Bike repair: a repair stand is located in the primary bike parking area
- [General rules for cycling in Germany](https://www.simplegermany.com/cycling-rules-in-germany/): <https://www.simplegermany.com/cycling-rules-in-germany/>
- Utilize the #community-support-car-ride channel on slack to carpool to and from work

### Life at the Institute:

- Please switch off all computers, monitors, lighting, etc. every evening, weekend, and holidays
- Only paper towels go in the trash bins in the bathrooms - nothing else
- Recycling bins are provided in the office, please use the bins to suit your needs and sort your trash in a consistent way.
- The canteen has two bins: one for “yellow bin recyclables” and one for the rest of trash
- **Exchange Cabinet:** located in printer room 236, is a place to donate and take small items (clothing, household items, etc.) to reduce waste and support those settling here and moving.

### Traveling for Work:

- Train travel
  - allowed to be more expensive than the flying options with the possibility of adding overnight, if approved by account holder.
  - also allowed to book 1st class if train trip is more than 5 hrs
- Check these resources for planning train travel with in Europe:
  - <https://www.seat61.com/>
  - <https://www.thetrainline.com/en-us>
  - <https://www.chronotrains.com/en>
- We encourage combining travel (particularly by plane) with additional professional business and/or personal holidays to make the travel more worthwhile.

### Miscellaneous

- Bring dead batteries to either Technischer Dienst or Electronics Abteilung
- For secondhand furniture, etc.:
  - Brick and brack (Rohrbach)
  - Recycling kaufhaus (Kirchheim)