



## About the speakers

### Frank Albrecht - Philipp Schwartz Initiative (PSI), Alexander von Humboldt-Stiftung (AvH)



Frank Albrecht is the Programme Director for the Philipp Schwartz Initiative (PSI) at the Alexander von Humboldt-Stiftung (AvH). Previously, he was the Foundation's Senior Coordinator for Strategic Planning and a Programme Officer for North America, Australia, New Zealand and Oceania. Before joining the Humboldt Foundation, he held temporary assignments as a consultant for United Nations Volunteers, a UNDP programme, and later as a researcher for a UK-based niche recruitment consulting company, the MRL Group.

### Eleni Andrianopulu - Bielefeld University/BRIDGE

Eleni Andrianopulu, Masters (equiv.) in Translation and Linguistics by the University of Leipzig, is the Director of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) Branch Office in Athens and Project Coordinator of the Horizon2020 project BRIDGE II at Bielefeld University. She has been coordinating several projects for international and refugee researchers at the latter University since 2015, such as Horizon2020 (BRIDGE), Humboldt-Foundation (PSI 2nd, 3rd and 4th round), Mercator Foundation (Refugees), DAAD (STIBET-Doktoranden). She has worked as Active Director of the International Office (2017-2020) and has coordinated the EURAXESS Contact point for international researchers (2012-2017) of Bielefeld University. At Bielefeld University she was working also as Personal Assistant to the Vice Rector for International Affairs and Diversity (2015-2019). She was a member of the Executive Board and the Board of Trustees of the DAAD (2006-2012) and is currently active as a (lead) assessor for the Human Resources Strategy for Researchers of the European Commission. She has worked as an assessor in Germany for the DAAD, AQAS, ACQUIN, ZEvA, AHPGS and the Stifterverband.

### Prof. Dr. Hussain Al-Towaie, Technical University (TU) of Darmstadt



Professor Hussain Al-Towaie is a Guest Professor at Technical University (TU) of Darmstadt since 2017. Beside of that he works as a freelance consultant for Water, Energy and Environment. In the years before, from 1987 to 2014, he was professor for Thermal Engineering and Renewable Energy at the University of Aden in Yemen.

Mr Al-Towaie held several functions such as the Vice Chairman of the "World Clean Energy Conference", held in November 2016 at the United Nation, Geneva, Switzerland. Since 2001 he is a member of the WCRE Committee of Chairpersons "WCRE: World Renewable Energy Council". From 2002-2006 he worked as an advisor of Yemeni Parliament for Committee of Water & Environment. He was awarded a doctorate in Energy Plant Technique from 1983-1987 at Dresden Technical University, Germany.