**VAAM@DLR** BigBang...Microbes! Workshop on Cultivation of the Uncultivationables!

Date: Sept. 28 & 29, 2023 Place: *:envihab* @ DLR, Cologne/Köln



Dear colleagues,

we, the VAAM special group "Space Microbiology", invite you to an interdisciplinary event on "BigBang...Microbes! - Workshop on Cultivation of the Uncultivationales!".

Our event focuses on the *cultivation of microorganisms, the isolation and characterization of (new) strains as well as microbial communities, their application or utility in wide variety of applications* fields from basic to applied research, e.g., biotechnology, chemistry, medicine, agriculture, food industry and aerospace.

We would like to cordially invite all interested scientists, especially early career and experienced scientists such PhD students, PostDocs and early Pls to submit their interest to participate and an abstract on their research to "weltraummikrobiologie@dlr.de" (best by July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023).

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## Preliminary agenda

Thursday: Sept. 28, 2023

12:00	Welcome address
13:00	Classical cultivation / archiving / classification of microorganisms
14:00	Interest in extremophiles
15:00	Planetary Protection
16:00	Microbiology & cultivation: applications
18:00-20:00	Poster session
18:30	BBQ and social gathering

Friday: Sept. 29, 2023

9:00	Space microbiology
10:00	Medical microbiology
11:00	Omics-based cultivation microbiology & multiomics
14:00	Farewell

In addition to the *scientific exchange around the topic of cultivation*, there will be an *insight into the work of different groups such as DLR, ESA and NASA*. A *visit* to the *European Astronaut Center* is also planned (*upon request*).

