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Dear Sir or Madam,

The Research and Transfer Centre 'Sustainable Development and Climate Change Management' (FTZ NK) at the Hamburg University of Applied Sciences (HAW Hamburg), headed by Professor Dr. (mult.) Dr. h.c. (mult.) Walter Leal is currently conducting a study on the effects of climate change on the mental health of students in Germany. The topic of climate change and its effects on human health are highly topical and omnipresent. The fact that climate change has a negative impact on our physical health, for example through more frequent and more intense periods of heat, is well known and has now been scientifically proven many times over. However, the effects on mental health have not yet been sufficiently researched, especially in Germany. Our health and climate scientists' team at the FTZ NK of HAW Hamburg would like to contribute to closing this research gap.

For the success of the study, we kindly ask for your support and would be very grateful if you disseminate our online survey among the students at your university - the online survey runs from 12 November 2024 to 31 January 2025 - here are the links to the survey:

<https://ftznk.limequery.com/134488?lang=en> (English) and

<https://ftznk.limequery.com/134488?lang=de-informal> (German).

All responses are collected anonymously, processed in accordance with the GDPR and will not be passed on to third parties.

As a thank you for your support, we will invite you to a virtual presentation of the results once the study has been analysed, in which we will present a comparison of the results across Germany.

We will be happy to answer any questions you may have at any time.

Thank you in advance for your support of our scientific study!

With kind regards,



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