



*The University of Hohenheim provides information on the use of Mastodon.*

## **Disclaimer on the use of Mastodon by the University of Hohenheim**

### **Networking and communication with other Mastodon profiles**

If the University of Hohenheim subscribes to other Mastodon users or likes posts, this does not imply any statement about the relationship between the University of Hohenheim and these users or the content published by them. In particular, it does not imply any approval or recommendation for its followers. Rather, the University of Hohenheim sees subscribing to other users or liking posts as a way of networking with other bodies, people, and institutions for the rapid dissemination and obtaining knowledge of information related to science.

This also means that the University of Hohenheim will not automatically subscribe to all of its followers. Even if the University of Hohenheim does not subscribe to a user, this does not mean that the University of Hohenheim rejects or is not interested in the respective user.

### **Type and manner and purpose of the use**

The University of Hohenheim mainly uses its account for its own posts and re-posts in the manner described in its **use concept**. In selected cases, it will also communicate via direct messages and respond to re-posts and comments, as far as the exchange of information on university-related topics is concerned. For all types of inquiries, contact options outside of Mastodon are primarily available, such as emails to: [post@uni-hohenheim.de](mailto:post@uni-hohenheim.de). There is no detailed advice, e.g. on studying, but the website link refers you to the relevant telephone and email contacts at the University of Hohenheim.

### **Mastodon and data protection**

The use of Mastodon by the University of Hohenheim does not imply any endorsement of this medium or the company or the LfDI BaWü Privacy Policy (the state commissioner for data protection and freedom of information) at <https://bawue.social/privacy-policy>. The University of Hohenheim recommends that all

users get themselves up to speed about the processing of their data and protect their privacy as much as possible: This includes reading the [Privacy Policy](#).

In addition, every user should at least make the following settings to protect their privacy:

- Open a user account with the mandatory data only, preferably using a pseudonym
- Deactivate the widget function
- Prevent cross-page tracking (e.g. by using the Ghostery add-on in the browser).

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