Alexander von Humboldt Professorships 2018 Awarded in Berlin:
Four of the ten prize winners to move to TU9 Universities

Berlin, May 14, 2018 — Ten top scientists from abroad have been awarded the Alexander von Humboldt Professorship – Germany’s most highly-endowed research award. At a ceremony on May 8 in Berlin, Federal Minister of Education and Research Anja Karliczek and President of the Humboldt Foundation Hans-Christian Pape presented the awards to the ten winners. The award is endowed with €5 million each for researchers working in experimental/applied science, and €3.5 million each for researchers working in theoretic science.

Four of the ten prize winners will be moving to the TU9 Universities in Aachen, Dresden and Munich in order to continue their research work:

**RWTH Aachen University**
*Wil van der Aalst* (Computer Science) moves from Eindhoven University of Technology in the Netherlands
*Raul Fidel Tempone* (Applied Mathematics) moves from the King Abdullah University of Science and Technology in Thuwal, Saudi Arabia

**TU Dresden**
*Michael H. Sieweke* (Immunology/Stem Cell Research) moves from Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS) and Centre d’Immunologie de Marseille-Luminy, France

**TU Munich**
*Marco Caccamo* (Technical Informatics/Realtime Systems) moves from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in the US

The Humboldt Foundation enables more than 2,000 researchers from around the world to conduct a research stay in Germany every year. The Foundation maintains a network of some 28,000 Humboldtians from across the disciplines in over 140 countries worldwide – among them 55 Nobel Prize laureates.

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