In 2017, the Department of International Affairs: ISGS once more invites high flying executives from internationally renowned companies to present step stones of global careers to PhD candidates. These networking dialogs highlight the professional and personal competencies required in the industry, and give hints for assistance within decision-making processes. In the course of this informal meeting the young researchers will have the opportunity to present their own career plans and receive honest feedback.

**Networking Dialog with the Deputy Director of the John Deere European Technology Innovation Center KL**

**About Prof. Dr.-Ing. Peter Pickel:**

- Graduated from TU Berlin with a PhD Thesis on Tractor Ride Dynamics, his academic career includes the following phases:
  - 2000 – 2006: Director of Institute for Agricultural Engineering and Land Use Management (Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg)
  - 2000-2010: Professor for Agricultural Engineering, Communal Machinery and Environmental Technologies (Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg)
  - From 2007-2010 Prof. Pickel held the position as Manager Tractor Applications at John Deere Mannheim
  - Since 2010 he is Deputy Director at the John Deere European Technology Innovation Center Kaiserslautern
  - Furthermore he is lecturer at TU KL at the chair of of Design in Mechanical Engineering (KIMA) in Agricultural and construction machines

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