

Essential 'getting started' checklist

Welcome to the Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics!

Completing this checklist will help you find the information and resources you need to get started effectively at MPI for Psycholinguistics. If you need assistance or have questions, your department secretary will be happy to help.

First steps with your department secretary

Receive your building and office key.
Receive a tour of building and an introduction to colleagues. You will also find the maxintra section 'Colleagues' useful.
Get settled in your office. Contact <i>Facility@mpi.nl</i> if you need stationery supplies or help with furnishings, etc.).
Write an introduction email about yourself and send, along with your digital photograph, to your department secretary for MPI-wide distribution (<i>ask your department secretary for examples</i>).
Familiarise yourself with fire exits and general safety/security within the building. See maxintra 'Our MPI/Emergency Information'.
Find your mailbox (if applicable) by the MPI canteen, arranged by last name and familiarise yourself with rules about sending and receiving post. See 'services/facility/business-or-private-mail-and-package-deliveries'.

Key personnel

Operations/Human Resources: you will receive a Welcome email in your first working week and you will be invited for the first upcoming 'Introduction for newcomers' meeting. PhD staff should inquire about their RU card and E-number, and obtain an MPI student card. For any questions please contact <i>HR@mpi.nl</i> .
Technical Group: usually your department secretary schedules a TG introduction within the first few weeks of your stay. If this is not the case please contact <i>Maurice.vanDeutekom@mpi.nl</i> to learn about various MPI technical facilities.
Data Protection: usually your department secretary schedules a Data Protection training within the first few weeks of your stay. If this is not the case please contact <i>privacy@mpi.nl</i> .
Library: schedule an introduction meeting with <i>library@mpi.nl</i> to learn about library resources, how to use PubMan and setting up your publication list on the website.
Prevention Officer: schedule an introduction meeting with <i>Pascal.Zoetekouw@mpi.nl</i> to learn about working place conditions.
Buddy: If you are a PhD or PostDoc and you would like to benefit from an assigned buddy please contact <i>buddy@mpi.nl</i> .
Others: familiarise yourself with the roles of important personnel representatives and committees. See 'Our MPI / Support & Representation'.

Information resources

Log in to your MPI computer account and change your password (your department secretary will give you instructions). Never tell anyone your MPI account password - only spammers ask for it via email.
Familiarise yourself with maxintra and with important MPI rules and forms needed for business travel, travel reimbursement, leave requests, inviting guests, organising workshops, etc.. You can access maxintra from within the MPI via maxintra.mpi.nl . From outside the Institute, go to https://sslvpn.mpi.nl and then enter the site using your MPI login and password.
Familiarise yourself with the MPI website guidelines (MaxIntra 'Internet & Website') and create your personal page (contact <i>communications@mpi.nl</i> if you require assistance).
Update your calendar with your regular department meetings, institute holidays, the next staff meeting, and other important events and talks. Maxintra 'Obligations & Attendance Requirements' & 'Institute Holidays'.
Be aware of network access, data storage and backup practices in your department (discuss this with your colleagues and/or the Technical Group)



	Check your 'People's Gallery' page on maxintra to see which email distribution lists you are on. Speak to a colleague about other useful lists that may be appropriate for you to join.
	Sign up and join MaxNet, the social networking site of the MPG (https://maxnet.mpg.de)
	Sign up for the Donders Weekly to receive interesting but also necessary information of our partner institute and the events taking place. weekly@donders.ru.nl
	Familiarise yourself with the 'Guidelines and rules of the Max Planck Society on a responsible approach to freedom of research and research risks' and 'The rules of good scientific practice' adopted by the senate of the Max Planck Society (https://www.mpi.nl/research/publications-and-presentations).
	If you are a fieldworker, or if you will work with a junior scientist who is a fieldworker, read the Fieldwork Guidelines (MaxIntra 'Essential notes for fieldworkers')

PhD staff

	Consult the People page on https://www.mpi.nl/imprs to learn about the organisation and people involved in the IMPRS.
	Contact the International Max Planck Research School Coordinator if you have not yet received any documentation and scheduled an introduction meeting (Maxintra 'IMPRS office').

