

DeAN-Newsletter



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Dear fellow DeAN-members,

I am particularly pleased to be able to present this newsletter to you as this is the first year that we have been able to issue four newsletters. This shows that we are well on track with our goals and growing well.

Since I last wrote to you we have again seen a number of events: in October we held our second half-yearly Board meeting Bad Homburg and Frankfurt am Main and combined this with a reunion which members from as far as Stuttgart and Hamburg attended. The concept of including social gatherings with Board meetings has proved successful and we will continue to organise them this way in order to provide more platforms for reunions. We also held two information sessions at Frankfurt am Main and Bochum. I had the pleasure of meeting with Meg Debus-Rogers, UNSW, and Chanelle Baker, European Representative of Griffith University, who both travelled to Frankfurt am Main, both of these Universities being institutional members. Another institutional member, the Australia Centre Berlin Ltd. celebrated a very successful opening of their new premises – congratulations and good luck with making the vision happen!

Important events are casting their shadows: on Australia Day 2002 (26 January 2002) we will again hold a national reunion, this time in Heidelberg. I hope that many of you will be able to attend in order to make this as much fun and successful as the one in Koblenz. On the same weekend we have also scheduled the next general meeting including elections of a new Board so please come along and take this opportunity to shape the future of DeAN e.V.

It gives me great pleasure to announce that Qantas, the Australian airline, has agreed to establish a joint travel scholarship with DeAN e.V. The scholarship will see 4 students per year travel to Australia for free and DeAN has taken on the task of selecting the students. In doing so we would like to draw on your expertise in your field of study. Details will be announced at the next general meeting. The scholarship will be officially launched at the Australia Day reunion.

Finally, I want to draw your attention to our new institutional members, which are Australia Centre Berlin Ltd., STEP IN e.V., Adelaide University and the University of South Australia.

Looking forward to seeing you all in Heidelberg

Dr. Sabine Pittrof
President DeAN e.V.

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17.10.2001: Info-Veranstaltung in FfM
23.10.2001 : Info-Veranstaltung in Bochum
in Kooperation mit der FH
Bochum
20./21.10.2001: Vorstandssitzung, FfM
08.12.2001: Regionaltreffen auf dem
Nürnberger Weihnachtsmarkt

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26.01.2002: Mitgliederversammlung und
nationales Event in Heidelberg
(Details siehe Einladung)
In January: BBQ in Melbourne. (Please
contact Inga Sitzmann
via email
inga@cs.mu.OZ.AU)

Details zu den Veranstaltungen sind auch auf unserer Web-Seite <http://www.dean-online.de> zu finden!!!

Weitere Berichte über Veranstaltungen und Ereignisse folgen in der nächsten Ausgabe!!! Es ist natürlich jeder aufgerufen, interessante Artikel, Beiträge und Wissenswertes einzureichen.

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New Members:

Please welcome the following new members in our German-Australian Network:

Institutional Members:

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STEP IN e.V.

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University of South Australia (effective 1.1.2002)

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Individual Members:

Prof. George Paxinos

Michael Dazert (effective 1.1.2002)

Markus Hesse (effective 1.1.2002)

Books and more:

+++ BILL BRYSON: DOWN UNDER (ENGLISCHE AUSGABE) +++

Erschienen im Black Swan Verlag, 2001. 23,10 DM. Bill Bryson bereist Australien und erzählt lustige Geschichten und Anekdoten zu den Regionen und Personen, die er besucht. Ein Buch mit unglaublichem Unterhaltungswert, bei dem der Leser aus dem Schmunzeln einfach nicht mehr herauskommt.

(Ralf Kohl)

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News:

+++ MORTGAGE RATES TO FALL AGAIN +++

Homebuyers received an early Christmas present this morning when the Reserve Bank cut official interest rates to 4.25 per cent from 4.50 per cent.

(4.12.01 Sydney Morning Herald, more: <http://www.smh.com.au/news/0112/05/biztech/biztech100.html>)

+++ SCHULFEST +++

Die Deutsche Schule Sydney hat am 3. November auf ihrem Schulgelände in Ryde, 74 Belmore Street, wieder ihr alljährliches Schulfest veranstaltet..

Als ganz besonderer Ehrengast konnte zwischen 13.00 und 14.00 Uhr Joachim "Blacky" Fuchsberger begrüßt werden.

(Sydney Infobahn, mehr unter <http://www.infobahnaustralia.com.au/jonnyg/events.htm>)

About Us:

+ +DEAN-ONLINE: PROFILE DER DEAN-VORSTANDSMITGLIEDER AUF WEBSEITE + +

Um uns, den Vorstand, besser kennenzulernen, sind nun auch unsere „Profile“ auf der Website des DeAN zu finden. Da kann man erfahren, wer wir sind, was wir sonst noch so machen usw. Schaut mal herein und gebt uns Hinweise, was dabei noch zu verbessern ist.

(Ralf Kohl)

Reports and Articles:

Information Session on studying in Australia in Berlin

On the occasion of Asia-Pacific Week, the Australian Embassy together with the Consulate-General organised an information session on studying in Australia in the “Rotes Rathaus” in Berlin on September 27, 2001. Approx. 70 participants were led through the afternoon by Rebecca Baring, Manager Education, and Margaretha Korn, Immigration Department, who told them everything they needed to know about Australian university and visa formalities. Ms Lee-Ann Norris of Mt Eliza Business School in Melbourne presented an inside view from an Australian Institution’s perspective and I was invited to

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present the DeAN e.V. and a view based on personal experience. Hilka Leicht of IEC online and Ralf Leisner of Institut Ranke-Heinemann (incidentally both now DeAN institutional members) were also present and available for answering questions from an agent's perspective and Ulla Nauditt of STEP IN Work & Travel was happy to give information on work and practica related matters. The students were highly interested and I am sure we convinced many of them of the benefits of living and studying in Australia... As an aside, the event also received a bit of media attention with both Rebecca Baring and myself being interviewed by "SpreeRadio 105.5" on studying and travelling in Australia. It seems that Australia is becoming really "fashionable"...

(Sabine Pittrof)

Official Opening of the new premises of the Australia Centre

Concluding the German-Australian Business Conference, the new premises of the Australia Centre Berlin Ltd. were officially opened by His Excellency Mr. Paul O'Sullivan, Australian Ambassador to Germany on September 28, 2001. Interest in the opening was high – there were so many attendees that refreshments had to be served outside because the rooms just would not take any more people! Of course, this was also an excellent opportunity to meet some very eminent people involved in German-Australian education. The new location of the Australia Centre is in Rungestraße 17 in Berlin-Mitte (close to the Australian Embassy once it moves to its permanent location) and will provide excellent rooms for literary, cultural and education-related events. It has the added benefit of being close to the Billabong wine bar, which can host larger audiences. DeAN e.V. congratulates the Australia Centre Berlin on the opening and is looking forward to co-operate in organising events in the new premises.

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