

DeAN-Newsletter



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Dear fellow DeAN-members,

it is my distinct pleasure to present the second newsletter this year to you. After a grande start to the DeAN-year with the European Reunion in Heidelberg, DeAN activities have continued to expand. The second quarter of the year has seen a combined farewell and welcome back party at Hochschule für Bankwirtschaft (HfB) in Frankfurt am Main, providing a platform for outgoing and homecoming Australia-students of HfB to meet and exchange last minutes tips and information.

Our Berlin activities are also growing with DeAN supporting some of the Australia Centre Berlin's events. To find out more on past events, please refer to page2. Many thanks to all who donated their time and effort to make the DeAN events possible.

Regarding our joint scholarship project with Qantas, I am pleased to report that we have had a significant number of applicants and that the scholarship committee recently selected the first two students to travel to Australia: Anne-Christin Koschate and Sascha Folz will travel to Australia on Qantas for free to take up studies there in July. Congratulations to both successful applicants from DeAN e.V.!! We are planning to give them a farewell reception at Frankfurt Airport before they depart.

As this is the last Newsletter which will be edited by Ralf Kohl, I would like to extend a special thanks to Ralf for all the work and time he has devoted to the Newsletter over the past years. Ralf, who for reasons of time constraints will not be able to continue editing, has significantly influenced the newsletter and given it its present form. All of us on the Board are sad to see him leave but happy to know that Ralf will continue to be an active DeAN-member. Thanks again, Ralf, and we hope to see you at many future DeAN events.

Our next Board meeting will take place on 6/7 July 2002 and as always we will be happy to receive input from members. Please contact me at praesidentin@dean-online.de or any other Board members at the email addresses listed on the website.

I hope you will enjoy summer!

Best regards

Sabine Pittrof
for the Board of DeAN e.V.

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26.04.02: **Welcome-Party**
der Hochschule für Bankwirtschaft
Mit Unterstützung von DeAN
Hochschule für Bankwirtschaft
Sonnemannstr. 9 – 11
60314 Frankfurt am Main

11.05.02: **Hafengeburtstag Hamburg**
Regionaltreffen

13./14.5.2002 **Kultur im Australia Centre in
: Berlin**
Mit Unterstützung von DeAN:
George Rrurrambu zu Gast

+++ UPCOMING EVENTS +++

20.07.02: **Regensburg**
Stadtführung & Biergarten
Kontakt: Ralf Kohl
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20.-21.07.02: **Bochum**
Bochum Total
Kontakt: Tobias Kalenscher

3.08.02: **Essen**
Zeche und Kokerei & Zollver-
ein (Führung)
Kontakt: Tobias Kalenscher

12.07.02: **Hamburg**
HWP
Summerschool-Party &
Info-Veranstaltung

10.08.02: **Weiterstadt bei Darmstadt**
Kurzfilmfestival
Kontakt: Markus Helmrich

23.08.02: **Berlin**
Australia Center
Kulturveranstaltung

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31.08.02: **Ruhrgebiet**
Lange Nacht der Industriekultur
Kontakt: Tobias Kalenscher

Please find further details about our latest and upcoming events as well on the web-site <http://www.dean-online.de> !!! We will publish articles and reports in every edition of the newsletter. Of course, we are happy to receive your written contribution for the next edition.

Keep on writing!

New Members:

Dear Fellow Members,
We will present you the latest information about our new DeAN-members in the next edition. However, we want to welcome warmly our new members who have joined DeAN in the last four months!

Books and more:

+++ DOUGLAS KENNEDY: THE DEAD HEART +++

Die Geschichte beginnt in Darwin, dem Ausgangspunkt der Reise des Journalisten Nick Hawthorne. Eine Affäre, die er unterwegs mit einer jungen Australierin hat, entwickelt sich zum Alptraum. Das ursprüngliche Reiseziel Perth scheint in weite Ferne zu rücken.

Douglas Kennedy hält für den Leser spannende und komische Unterhaltung parat. Die Handlung nimmt in ihrem Verlauf eine überraschende Wendung.

Englisch, im Abacus-Verlag erschienen. AUD 14,95. ISBN 0-349-10645-2

(Ralf Kohl)

News:

+++ WOOLIES THE WORM IN THAT PLASTIC FRUIT +++

Australians are eating poorer tasting fruit, treated with increasing amounts of chemicals, because of stringent quality specifications by Woolworths, says the nation's largest citrus grower-packer.

(Source: Sydney Morning Herald <http://enewsletters.f2network.com.au/cgi-bin/16/flo?y=eC5L0CMrL0Bhi0OsE0AF>)

+++ AUSTRALIANS CAUGHT IN AIRPORT DRAMA +++

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Hundreds of Australians were trapped in the chaos at Los Angeles international airport today when a gunman shot dead two people.

(Source: The Age. <http://enewsletters.f2network.com.au/cgi-bin16/flo?y=eC2e0CMrL0Bnf0Om20AF>)

+++ FOSSETT RELIEVED AFTER HISTORIC TRIP +++

Steve Fossett said he was feeling "enormously relieved" to be back on land after achieving his goal of flying around the world solo in a balloon.

(Source: The Age. <http://enewsletters.f2network.com.au/cgi-bin16/flo?y=eCzm0CMrL0Bnf0OjW0A8>)

About Us:

+++ CHANGE IN THE NEWSLETTER SECTION +++

Dear fellow-members of DeAN,
just let me drop a few lines on the past two and a half years editing the DeAN Newsletter. It has been great fun editing the Newsletter four times a year and publishing it on a regular basis now. There was always great input by our members. However, this edition of the Newsletter will be my last one. Frank Paschen will be the new editor and has also added his first article in this edition.

Myself, I will deliver more input on studying in Australia for our web-site in order to increase hits and sessions at www.dean-online.de by interested students and potential members for DeAN. Once again, it has been fun both editing and writing for you and support the rise of the German-Australian Network in the Newsletter section.

Ralf Kohl

+++ INCREASING SUPPORT +++

Dear fellow-members,
our latest meeting of the board in Bochum has been very successful. We have set up new goals, revised latest successes and could also gain some people to support DeAN more actively: Susanne Ratjen, support of our activity co-ordinator, Marc Dostal will co-ordinate contacts and data bases, Julia Puaschunder is interested in supporting the Austria region with activities and information. Of course, we have had very active members already. Some of our mostly unknown heroes so far are: Marcus Dittmann who has been active for quite a while now in the local support in Passau. Moreover, we are very happy to have Anne Werno, also active for a long time, promoting DeAN in general and finally Markus Helmrich, who will organise some local events.

(Ralf Kohl)

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Reports and Articles:

George Rrurrambu zu Gast im Australia Centre in Berlin

George Rrurrambu ist am 13. und 14. Mai Gast des Australia Centre Berlin gewesen. Als ein Aboriginal Elder des Gumatj Clan im North-Eastern Arnhem Land ist George ein wichtiger Botschafter der indigenen Bevölkerung Australiens.

In der von der australischen Botschaft Berlin und DeAN e.V. unterstützten Veranstaltung hat George einen Einblick in die komplexe und reiche Kultur der Australian Aboriginal peoples gegeben. Das abwechslungsreiche und informelle Programm beinhaltete Gesang in Englisch und indigener Sprache, Musik mit dem yidaki (Didgeridoo) und Geschichten, in denen sich die Spiritualität, Werte und Normen der Aborigines zeigen.

In der intimen Atmosphäre der Billabong Winebar ist es George gelungen, durch seine immense persönliche Ausstrahlung die Anwesenden zu fesseln und auch einen Dialog herzustellen. Wie George im Anschluß an die Veranstaltung in einem persönlichen Gespräch bekräftigte, sieht er den gegenseitigen kulturellen Austausch als einen zentralen Baustein für den respektvollen Umgang der verschiedenen Kulturen miteinander.

DeAN war durch seine "Berliner Fraktion" (Albert Klömper, Frank Paschen, Olaf Pick) vertreten. An beiden Abenden wurde die Gelegenheit genutzt, persönliche Kontakte zum Australia Centre zu knüpfen und unter den Anwesenden die Werbetrommel für unseren Verein zu rühren. Es ist eine gelungene Veranstaltung in Zusammenarbeit des Australia Centre Berlin, der australischen Botschaft und DeAN gewesen, an die sich hoffentlich weitere anschließen werden.

P.S.: Wer an indigener Musik interessiert ist, und George ist ein Pionier in dieser Hinsicht, sollte einen Blick auf die beiden folgenden Links werfen:

<http://www.skinnyfishmusic.com.au/bands/george.html>

<http://www.nma.gov.au/exhibitions/events/kultja/people.htm#6>

(Frank Paschen)

HAMBURG - ANNIVERSARY OF THE HABOUR AND DEAN E.V. REGIONAL MEETING

Hamburg is always worth a visit. Especially on a sunny weekend in May when the people of Hamburg celebrate a very important jubilee: the anniversary of their beloved harbour. Every year more than a million people come to the city to join in a three day party and watch hundred of small and big sailing ships from all over the world sailing up the river to welcome visitors aboard at the "Ladungsbrücken".

This year the 813th harbour birthday was a great occasion for the first official DeAN e. V. meeting in North Germany. We met on a Saturday night for a few drinks and to watch the gigantic fireworks over the river and the harbour. The small group of members was also happy to welcome the IEC online representative for North Germany, Ms Birgit Staack, on this occasion. We all hope that more members will come to Hamburg next year in May to find out themselves how wonderful and unique the city and its harbour are.

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(Tanja Neumann)

REPORT OF THE JOINT DEAN-FH BOCHUM INFORMATION SESSION IN BOCHUM

On the 23rd of October 2001, we had organised a large information session at the Fachhochschule Bochum. Together with Prof Meissner and with the excellent support of Martin Spreen and Norbert Dohms from the Fachhochschule and Siegfried Engesser-Paris from the International Office we had addressed about 110 students and highschool students. The Fachhochschule is very interested in establishing several student exchange programmes with Australian Universities and there already is a strong collaboration on a scientific level. The goal of this event was to inform and motivate potential (and future) students to participate in the exchange programme and advance it's establishment. The Fachhochschule Bochum is an active (and more or less successful) participant of the annual solar-energy car race in Australia.

Speakers included Prof Meissner from the Fachhochschule Bochum, Rebecca Baring from the Australian Consulate, Prof Güntürkün from the University of Bochum and Tobias Kalenscher from DeAN. We regret that Angela Angelopoulos from Melbourne Uni was not able to join us as was initially intended. She had to re-schedule her flight-details due to the New York terror attacks of 11th of September and could not come to Germany.

My special thanks go to Siegfried Engesser-Paris who set up a buffet for all speakers and organisers at the end of the event.

Summarising, this event was fun and a great success, not only because of the very high number of participants. The Fachhochschule and DeAN plan to institutionalise this event and repeat it on an annual basis.

(Tobias Kalenscher)

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