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Board of Foreign Students
Aüslanderkommission
Leibniz University Hannover
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Dear Board,

Sub: Application for funding for IASH events in May-June, 2013

I, Ajay B Harish, on behalf of the board of Indian Academic Society of Hannover (IASH), request monetary funding from Aüslanderkommission for the events held by IASH during May-June (2013).

The Europe day signifies the annual celebration of peace and unity in Europe. Thus, 05-May and 09-May are celebrated as Europe day by Council of Europe and European Union respectively. It is of definite importance to spread such message of peace to everyone, and in particular to the Indian diaspora living in Hannover region. Hence, IASH intends to organize a themed quiz on Europe. The quiz will include topics related to history, geography, politics & policy making, celebrities/art/literature/cinema and several more - particularly related to Europe. Accounting for several long weekends in May, this event is scheduled on 26-May-2013 at the Silo in Doratheenstraße student dormitory.

Secondly, IASH is organizing the India day, in collaboration with International office, Leibniz University Hannover. LUH has several partner universities in India & facilitates several lively exchange programs. India day

acts as a forum for exchange of views and experience from India (& of Germany for Indian visitors). An award is also given to two individuals (one youth) who have fostered Indo-German collaborations. This year the event is held on 14-June-2013.

Enclosed along is the detailed information about IASH, the two events (with proposed budget) for which funding is requested. The total budget requested for both the events is €985. All the above events of IASH shall be duly publicised in LUH, student dorms and on the internet. These events are free and open to all.

On behalf of the board and members of IASH, I kindly request you to consider our proposal for funding. We very much look forward to a positive response. We look forward for a mutually beneficial co-operation between IASH and the Aüslanderkommission.

Sincerely

Ajay B Harish

(On behalf of IASH board)

Information about Indian Academic Society of Hannover (IASH)

IASH was founded in late 2011 by a group of people who came together to discuss Indo-German issues. By the end of 2012, IASH became a more well-knit group with a board to organize events of IASH. Today, among its members an IASH board was constituted. The board inclusive of president, two vice-presidents, treasurer, webmaster & webteam, and sitting members share the responsible for the organization of events & issues related to finances etc.

The goal of IASH is to bring together the Indian subcontinent diaspora (and those interested in Indian cultures) living in the Hannover region. IASH also provides a forum for the community to celebrate Indian festivals, discussion forum on issues related to Indian & Indo-German aspects. IASH events are also motivated towards helping the Indian community living here to integrate into the German society. Last but not the least, IASH also provides a forum for professional networking among the community members.

IASH events are held at least once every month. The events are generally held on one of the Sundays (with exceptions). The events are announced on both the FB page and on the IASH website atleast 2-3 weeks in advance. During the annual event of IASH a brief outlook towards events and tentative dates for the upcoming year are already provided. Events that have (monetary or other forms of) funded by university (and its organizations) are duly publicized in the University and student dorm notice boards. Till date, we have hosted our events at the International office, Silo at Dorotheenstraße student dorm, Hall in Conti campus, Hall in Lodyweg student dorm, to name a few.

The events of IASH, as of today, are free of cost and open to one & all. Everyone with an interest in Indian subcontinent and its cultural heritage are welcome to participate in the events of IASH. The cooking and yoga workshops, Easter celebration etc during the previous events demonstrates that everyone is welcome. IASH events provide a unique intercultural experience. LUH also has several exchange programs with Universities in India. Events of IASH shall provide an opportunity to know more about these exchange programs through its members. IASH events also include discussions on various aspects of interest to India, Germany and Indo-German relationships. This would provide a platform to enhance ones knowledge on these issues.

Event 1: Europa Quiz

Date: 25-May-2013

Time: 16:00 - 18:00h

Location: Silo, Doratheenstrasse student dormitory

Estimated attendance: 60-70

Motivation: The Europe day signifies the annual celebration of peace and unity in Europe. Thus, 05-May and 09-May are celebrated as Europe day by Council of Europe and European Union respectively. The motivation for such a themed quiz event is to spread the message of Europe day across.

Structure of the event:

The event will be held in two rounds:

- (1) Preliminary quiz: A short written preliminary quiz will be conducted starting at 16:00. The preliminary screening is an individual quiz. The top 10 scorers will be selected for the next round (Main quiz). The written quiz will include few multiple choice questions as well.
- (2) Main quiz: The selected 10 members are divided into 5 teams of 2 each by draw of numbers. About 10 rounds of quiz will be held with one team being eliminated during each round after round 6.

Topics: The quiz will cover topics related to Europe - spanning from history, geography, arts, science, culture, music, sports, business etc.

Publicity: The event will be advertised, like usual, on the IASH website and FB page/groups. The event shall also be publicised on the university & student dorm notice boards, Stud IP and international office newsletter.

Prizes: The participants with the highest points after 10 rounds will be declared winner and the subsequent team as runner up. Both teams will be awarded attractive prizes. First prize is probably tickets to Hannover fireworks competition or Opera. Second prize is also supposed to be some discounted ticket or gift card. To keep others interested, we also plan to have small giveaways as audience prizes.

Snacks: Between the preliminary and main quiz - quizmaster & team shall correct the preliminary papers. During this break, some Indian snacks and tea shall be served to all participants. The snacks and tea will be prepared by the members of IASH themselves.

Event 2: India day at LUH

Date: 14-June-2013

Time: 16:00 - 18:30h

Location: Lecture hall, Institute of Physics & Mathematics, Appelstrasse

Estimated attendance: 100-125

Motivation: LUH has several partner universities in India & facilitates lively exchange programs. Visitors from Hanover to India and vice-versa need a day to share their experiences. Such a forum is necessary to inspire and foster such collaborative effort.

The tentative schedule for the event is:

1. Welcome and Invocation
2. Presentation by Prof. Birgit Glasmacher on visit to IIT Bombay, Kanpur and VIT
3. Presentation by students of LUH (Tim Federmann , Dorothea Prill, Merle, Rachael, Arne) who visited IIT Kharagpur, Symbiosis and Anna universities
4. Presentation by Prof. Silvia Hermann on visit to IIT Kharagpur
5. Dance performance by Ms. Prakruthi. Ms. Prakruthi is an expert in Bharatanatyam form of Indian classical dance. She will be visiting Hamburg & has agreed to provide a performance in Hannover.
6. Award of Indo-German partnership for Mr. Wolfgang Hoeltgen and Mr. Rajesh Tiwari (Youth award)
7. Presentation about IASH, International office at LUH and vote of thanks by Mr. Bala Ramani

Publicity: The event will be advertised, like usual, on the IASH website and FB page/groups. The event shall also be publicised on the university & student dorm notice boards, Stud IP and international office newsletter.

Snacks: At the end of the event Indian snacks (Samosas) and mango lassi will be served to all. The snacks and lassi will be prepared by the members of IASH themselves.

Estimated Budget for both events

Item	Cost per person (Euro)	Total cost (Euro)
Snacks + Tea for Europa Quiz	1	70
1st prize (2 tickets/person = 4/team)	40	80
2nd prize (2 tickets/person = 4/team)	30	60
Audience prizes (20 nos)	5	100
Buzzer for quiz	30	30
Water + Plates + Glasses + Cutlery	10	10
Total budget for Europa quiz		350
Snacks + Mango lassi for India day	1	150
Posters and decoration items for hall	25	25
Travel by Bahn + Performance fee + Food allowance for Mrs. Prakruthi	300	300
Plaques + framed certificate for Indo-German awards (two awards)	75	150
Water + Plates + Glasses + Cutlery	10	10
Total budget for India day		635
TOTAL BUDGET FOR BOTH EVENTS		985