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The Debating Society Germany e.V. will be hosting the

## German Schools Debating Championship 2006

in Stuttgart from 19<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> May 2006.

All schools with active English-language debating societies are again encouraged to send their teams. We want not merely to find the best team in Germany, but to give everybody - both beginners and more experienced debaters - the chance to get to know the others, to debate together and simply enjoy themselves.

The opening welcome will be on **Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup>** in the morning at Lessing-Gymnasium, Winnenden. The debates will begin on the same day, and they will continue for the whole day on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday (at Philippsburg) and on Wednesday afternoon. On Tuesday afternoon we will have a last round of debates and then the semi-finals. The final will be at about 2 p.m. on **Wednesday afternoon, 24<sup>th</sup>**, in Stuttgart, Rathaus, Sitzungssaal.

Your team should consist of five debaters and one coach, who will function as one of the judges. Every team must be prepared to debate either side of any of the motions determined upon. Each speaker may speak for 8 minutes (reply speeches four minutes). All speeches must be in English and may not be read out from a prepared text. For the impromptu debates, the only permitted aids in preparation are a printed reference book, a dictionary and an almanac. Each participant will receive a certificate and there will be small prizes for the winners.

We expect all participants to dress formally for the debates, and to behave decently at all times; in particular, there is a strict ban on alcohol for debaters no matter how old they are. Teams must be registered with all names by 30th April at the latest. The non-local teams, e.g. from Berlin, Hamburg, Dresden, Wernigerode etc, will be accommodated in a youth hostel in Stuttgart.

Because we are still suffering from a very small budget we are again obliged to request a contribution of 100.- € per person ( this includes accommodation and breakfast at a youth hostel + all transport during the competition) or of 40.- € per person (without accommodation). The participation fee must be immediately transferred to the account of the Debating Society Germany e.V., A/c No. 132 0290 at the Deutsche Bank, DB24, bank sort code 600 700 24, your registration will only be valid after your payment has been confirmed.

**Registration and information:**

**A. Hoeness, as above or via Lessing-Gymnasium Winnenden.**

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## REGISTRATION

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Please, register here on this form, and send it either by post, fax or e-mail to Angelika Hoeness, or do it via our website [www.schoolsdebate.de](http://www.schoolsdebate.de) - but please observe the deadline of April 30<sup>th</sup> 2006.

Motions, draw, venues & dates will be set centrally and with fair warning after the official registration has been completed.

#### **RULES**

As set out and explained in the invitation

#### **REGISTRATION FEES:**

€100 per person for teams with accommodation, €40 for teams without accommodation, to be paid onto our A/c No. 132 0290 of the Debating Society (at the Deutsche Bank, DB24), bank sort code 600 700. "Verwendungszweck SL"

#### **DSG MEMBERSHIP :**

Is expected (coach or school), except for schools registering for the first time.

SCHOOL address:

School fax:

COACH responsible:

E-mail:

Phone (optional):

Names, sex and age of debaters:

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- 2
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We need ( ) accommodation and / or ( ) VVS tickets for \_\_\_\_\_ persons.

Declaration:

I / we undertake to abide by the DSG rules (website, s.a.), notably concerning the code of behaviour, and to transfer the registration fee.

Signed:

Date: