



Invitation – Announcement

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

German Schools Debating Championship 2004

in Stuttgart from 13th – 16th JUNE 2004.

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 at Lessing-Gymnasium Winnenden on Sunday, 13th at 2 pm. The debates will begin in the same afternoon, and, if we can find schools who are willing to host us, they will continue for the whole day on Monday and on Tuesday. On Wednesday morning we will have a last round of debates and then the semi-finals. The final will be on Wednesday afternoon, at 4 p.m. hopefully again at Wilhelmshaus in Stuttgart.

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 6 minutes, all speeches must be in English and may not be read out from a prepared text. The only permitted aids are printed reference books. Each participant will receive a certificate and there will be small prizes for the winners.

Teams must be registered with all names by 7th May at the latest. The non-local teams, e.g. from Hamburg, Dresden etc, will be accommodated as before in the Jugendgästehaus, all expenses during the event (bed, board, party and travelling) will be covered by our Verein. After the final we will again try to organise a closing party for all participants where we expect each team to give a short presentation about their school and town.

For all these reasons and because we still suffer from our deficit we have to budget very carefully this year and therefore we are obliged to request a contribution of 35.- € per person (without accommodation) or of 75.- € per person (with accommodation). This participation fee must be immediately transferred to A/c No. 8204664 of the Debating Society (at LB_BW Bank), bank sort code 600 501 01, please send the bank confirmation with your application

Registration and information: A. Hoeness, as above or via Lessing-Gymnasium Winnenden.

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