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

German Schools Debating Championship 2005

In Stuttgart from 4th – 8th May 2005.

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 **Wednesday, 4th at 2.30 pm**. The debates will begin in the same afternoon, and they will continue for the whole day on Thursday and on Friday. On Friday afternoon we will have a last round of debates and then the semi-finals. The final will be on Saturday afternoon, at 2 p.m. 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 8 minutes, all speeches must be in English and may not be read out from a prepared text. The only permitted aids 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. Teams must be registered with all names by 15th April at the latest. The non-local teams, e.g. from Hamburg, Dresden etc, will be accommodated in a youth hostel in Stuttgart, all expenses during the event (except some evening meals) will be covered by our Verein. After the semifinals we will again try to organise a party for all participants.

Because we are still suffering from a very small budget we are again obliged to request a contribution of 65.- € per person (this includes accommodation and breakfast at a youth hostel, tickets for public transport to the venues, food at the venues, the party after the semifinals) or of 30.- € per person (includes the same, but no 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, 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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