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Summer Semester 2007:

International Agricultural and Economic Development: Theory and Policy

Option B: Institutions and Instruments of Bilateral and Multilateral Development Cooperation

Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Matthias Weiter

Part 1: Introduction, Selection of Report Topics

Tuesday, April 24, 2007, 13:00 - 17:00 Location: Seminar Room, 1st floor, Luisenstr. 56

The lecturer will present the structure and functions of the institutional network of development cooperation. At the end of this day, students will select one German or international development institution, on which they will write a report based on own investigations and if possible experience. (The institution to be selected could be a German government-owned institution like the German Agency for Technical Cooperation, GTZ, the German Development Bank KfW, one of the German political foundations, a church institution, a German NGO, a UN-Institution like FAO, UNDP, UNV, UNFPA, the World Bank, a regional development bank, or an international NGO).

Part 2: Report writing

The students will have two months time to contact this institution, and to describe its structure and principles as well as a typical development project of this organisation.

In between that period, student will be invited to attend a regular session of the **Parliamentary Committee on Economic Co-operation and Development** in the Reichstag-Building (Paul-Löbe-Bau), preferably to a session with an international guest speaker (translation in English provided).

Part 3: Block seminar from June 07-09, 2006

In a block seminar on three consecutive days (from June 22 to June 24) the participants will present the results of their research to each other, so that everybody will be introduced to the whole range of development institutions and their approaches. The written reports will be edited in one volume and reprinted for the participants.

Part 4: Excursion to Bonn from July 1-3, 2007

The final part of Option B is an excursion to the city of Bonn, where most of the German development institutions and twelve UN-institutions are based. Students will have the chance to visit six of these institutions and talk to specialists of their choice.

Detailed Time-Table:

Phase 1	Introduction	Lecturers
Tuesday, April 17 location: 13:00 – 17:00	What DEVELOPMENT means Reasons for provision of AID FUNCTIONS of the aid system AID BUDGET appropriation INSTITUTIONAL set-up of aid delivery CHARACTERISTICS of aid institutions Defining students' REPORT TOPICS Discussion of PROCEDURES	Matthias Weiter
(upon individual request only): Individual consultations on report research and writing		Matthias Weiter

Phase 2	Research and Report Writing	
between April 18 and June 06	Students are required to contact their selected aid institutions, visit and interview people in these institutions, write the report and prepare the presentation of their findings.	Students

Special Event (Date to be defined)	Invitation to attend a regular session of the Parliamentary Committee on Economic Co-operation and Development in the Reichstag-Building (Paul-Löbe-Bau)	Members of Parliament
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Phase 3	Report Presentation	
Thursday, June 7 09:00 – 17:00 (Location)	Repetition of Phase 1 Presentation of students' reports and discussions	Matthias Weiter Students
Friday, June 8 09:00 – 17:00 (Locaton: Luisenstr. 56, seminar room, off main hall, ground floor)	Continuation: Presentation of students' reports and discussions	Students

Saturday, June 9 (Location: Ministry of Economic Co-operation and Development, Stresemannstr. 94)	Continuation: Presentation of students' reports and discussions	Students
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Phase 4	Excursion to Bonn	
Sunday, July 1 Departure Berlin Hauptbahnhof 10:51 Arrival Bonn 15:32	By train from Berlin to Bonn (arrival Bonn Hbf 16:35) Accommodation: Colmantstr. 45 Guided tour city of Bonn	Matthias Weiter
Monday, July 2	Visit to BMZ (general introduction), and to other development related institutions in Bonn evening: Picknick in the vinyards of the Ahr valley	Various representatives of development institutions in Bonn
Tuesday, July 3 Departure Bonn: 16:15 Arrival Berlin Hbf: 21:08	Morning: Visits to other development related institutions in Bonn Afternoon: By train from Bonn Hbf to Berlin	Various representatives of development institutions in Bonn