

Another Round of Interns Arrives in Germany



Twenty-four young people arrived in Frankfurt/M from the US on May 17, ready to immerse themselves in the German business world. The students are taking part in the US-German Internship Program, through which they will complete three-month internships at 19 top international companies. The program, initiated last year by AmCham Germany and BridgehouseLaw, offers students from renowned universities in the south-eastern region of the United States the opportunity to gain work experience in Germany, hone their German language skills and engage in cross-cultural challenges.

Sibylle Yaakov represented FrankfurtRheinMain GmbH at a welcome ceremony, kindly hosted by the company, where the students met their company mentors. Also present to welcome the students were **Dr. Dierk Müller**,

AmCham Germany General Manager; **Oliver Bolthausen**, BridgehouseLaw; **Dr. Renate Sterzel**, City Council Representative for Frankfurt/M; **William Morgan**, US Vice Consul; and **Lars Goldenberg**, UPS Deutschland, the company patron of the program.

All those who spoke at the event encouraged the students to make the most of their summer in Germany by challenging themselves in the workplace, immersing themselves in the German culture and not forgetting to have fun. After the ceremony, company mentors escorted their interns to their final destinations across Germany where the young people will work to cultivate a positive view of Germany and serve as ambassadors of German-American friendship. ■

Challenge yourselves: it will not always be easy, but working through the hard bits is the most rewarding part.

Josh Guggenheim, returning program participant, shares his advice with first-time participants.



Vice Consul William Morgan (photo on right) shares amusing anecdotes with the students to prepare them for living and working in Germany.



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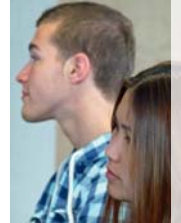
Sibylle Yaakov of FrankfurtRheinMain greets the students at the welcome ceremony generously hosted in their offices.



Oliver Bolthausen (far left) welcomes the students on behalf of co-organizer BridgehouseLaw.



Dr. Renate Sterzel (photo on left) stresses the importance of German-American relations and Frankfurt's role in international business. Seven interns will be in the Frankfurt/M area this year.



Supporting companies' willingness to host interns helps further expand the program and contributes to the future of the transatlantic relationship.

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