Dear Friends and Partners of DAAD Kuala Lumpur, dear Readers,

It is a great pleasure for me to introduce myself as the new representative of the DAAD in Kuala Lumpur, succeeding Dr. Harald Olk, whom many of you might know. After studying Linguistics, German Literature and Philosophy in Berlin (Germany), Vienna (Austria) and London (U.K.), I worked as lecturer and DAAD representative at universities in Germany, Hungary and Indonesia. Thus, Southeast Asia is familiar to me and I’m very happy to be able to live and work in Malaysia.

Academic cooperation and exchange between Malaysia and Germany has developed quite well in the last years. The number of Malaysian students in degree courses in German universities rose from 197 in 2001 to 932 in 2011 and thus almost quintupled in the last 10 years. Today, Malaysian and German universities work together quite closely and even run joint degree courses.

Germany is especially popular in Malaysia as the land of engineers - most cooperation and exchange concentrate on the different fields of engineering.

We very much hope that the DAAD Information Centre Kuala Lumpur can contribute to enhancing and intensifying academic cooperation between our two countries.

Dr. Guido Schnieders
German Alumni Networking Forum 2011

In December, the German Alumni Networking Forum was held for the third time (after the meetings in Penang 2009 and in Kuala Lumpur 2010). Organised jointly by the German Embassy, Goethe-Institute and DAAD, the forum brings together German alumni, i.e. Malaysians who graduated from German higher education institutions, and representatives from German companies and German universities.

Engineering Faculty of the University Duisburg-Essen, explained the German model of close cooperation between university and business companies.

About 180 guests, among them more than 115 alumni from all over Malaysia, used this excellent opportunity for networking and gathered in the residence of the German Ambassador in Kuala Lumpur, Dr. Günter Gruber, to enjoy presentations and German refreshments, exchange memories and meet potential business and cooperation partners.

The main topic of the presentations were Malaysian-German university cooperations. Prof. Dr.-Ing. Dieter Schramm, Dean of the

Dato' Prof. Ir. Dr. Dr.-Ing. E. h. Sahol Hamid Abu Bakar, Vice-Chancellor of Universiti Teknologi Mara and since November 2011 Honorary Doctor of the University of Stuttgart, who contributed intensively to the development of Malaysian-German academic relations, reported about his manifold Malaysian-German experience.

The next German Alumni Networking Forum is scheduled for the last quarter in 2012. We are looking forward to meet many alumni there!
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**University of Applied Sciences Rosenheim, Germany**

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The best way of including all these issues and more in your search for an institution is to use the online university ranking available from the DAAD website. There you can customise your search for an institution that will suit your needs and interests best.

University Ranking:

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Scholarship opportunities

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For more information and application documents please visit www.daad.de/leibniz

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