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**Lectures at SEU in May 2018**

**Understanding Germany and European Union**

1. **Challenges for Germany and the new Government :** May 9(Wed.) **18:30-**
* Re-Uniting different wings of the society
* Giving chances to traditional and modern life styles, rural and urban ones
* Steering the digital society
* Steering the democraphic down-trend
* Steering European Union in future

You will learn

* German political system at Laender and national level
* Old Roots and recent history of the national State
* Living with the experience of two world wars
* Tayloring a welfare State
* Tayloring European Union and coping with threads as Brexit and Eastern Europe are
* EU between West and East
1. **Structure of a World Economy, the German Social Market Ecomomy** May 11(Fri.) **18:30**
* Strengths of the ecomomy,
* industrial branches, export orientation
* innovative developments,
* financial markets and services sector
* challenges of Brexit

You will learn

* elements of the social market economy
* structure, strengths and challenges of the labor market
* unique social participation of different groups in enterprises (co-determination)
* dependance from a fundamental liberal world trade
1. **Germany´s social system** May 14(Mon.) **18:30**
* Fighting unemployment
* Fighting poorness
* Fighthing for social participation of groups in society
* Solid education as a fundamental basis

You will learn:

* Social trends in recent years
* Raising split of the society in rich and poor
* Counter steering negative effects of digitalisation and robot labor
* Counter steering globalization effects
* Counter steering effects of in-migration waves (refugees)
1. **German Education System** May 16(Wed.) **18:30**
* Collaborative roles of national State and Laender
* Student support systems
* Stratified school system and life long learning
* University system types and profiles of Universities

You will learn:

* Discussion about controverse approaches for learning outcomes
* Social role of teachers
* Role of school between old philosophic underandings and modern requirements oft he global economy
* Strategies for inclusion of challenges persons and in-migrants
* Importance of a European approach to comparable University systems, mobility and cross-nation employability
1. **Help to prepare your study in Germany May 10(Thur) 18:30**
* Understanding the German University system
* The EU Bologna system, credit system, degrees
* Learning strategies
* Exam types and preparation

You will learn:

* Regulations for access to University admission for foreigners, visa procedure
* Language requirements German and/or English
* Students exchange programs and cooperative study systems/degrees
* Understanding teaching approaches of professors
* Understanding exam requirements and how to prepare
* The world of learning of German students, teamwork and other hints
* German and EU scholarships for Chinese students
* Surviving hints: finding accommodation, first steps to do after arrival in Germany and how to prepare