

**26 OCTOBER —
7 NOVEMBER 2010
IN ABU DHABI**



German — European — Global Dimensions of the German Reunification — **20 Years After**

In 1990, Germany was reunited after more than 40 years of separation. The Fall of the Wall which gave way to this Reunification was a historical event that has changed Europe and had an impact on the whole world. On the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the German Reunification, in fall 2010, the German and French institutions in the UAE remember these events from a European perspective.

Under the patronage of the German and French Embassies, Paris Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi, the Goethe-Institut Gulf-Region and the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung Regional Program Gulf States are pleased to present a series of events that discuss the political, social as well as cultural dimensions of the German Reunification.

8:00 pm, 26 October 2010, Grand Cinemas Abu Dhabi Mall

November Child

Movie Screening & Discussion with director Christian Schwochow



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The 25-year-old Inga grew up in a small village in the region of Mecklenburg knowing that her mother drowned in the Baltic Sea when she was only a few months old – at least this is what her grandparents told her. Then the professor for German literature Robert comes to Malchow and confronts Inga with the fact that he met her mother some years ago in Constance. Beginning to question her past, Inga sets out to learn the truth.

Non-speakers of German, respectively learners of German are very welcome:
The film is shown in the original German version with English subtitles.

The discussion will be moderated by Nezar Andary, Assistant Professor in Film and Literature at the Zayed University. World Sales Agent – Beta Cinema

2:00 pm – 7:00 pm, 1 November 2010, Paris Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi

German – European – Global. Historical, political and cultural Dimensions of the German Reunification after 20 years



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Colloquium with Arab, German and French scholars

A colloquium featuring international academics from French and German universities will analyze the consequences of the German Reunification. The perspective chosen is an interdisciplinary one, and will thus bring historical and political, but also artistic and philosophical positions forward.

7:30 pm, 1 November 2010 · Paris Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi

The effects of the German Reunification on the United Arab Emirates



Lecture by H. E. Zaki Nusseibeh, Deputy Chairman of the Abu Dhabi Authority for Culture and Heritage (ADACH).

In addition to the German and French viewpoints on the Reunification presented in the colloquium H. E. Zaki Nusseibeh (Deputy Chairman ADACH) will shed light on the Arab view on the events and their international repercussions.

The lecture will be given in French with English translation.

8:30 pm, 1 November 2010 · Paris Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi · Exhibition Opening

Once There Was Something...

A comic exhibition about the memories of a divided Germany by the comic artist Flix

Two years ago, the comic artist Flix published his first comic-strip that reflects his own childhood memories of a divided Germany, in the German newspaper *Der Tagesspiegel*. After publishing his comic series as a book, it was adapted to an open-air exhibition that was shown along the Berlin Wall Path in 2010. In cooperation with the Government-founded organisation devoted to the examination and reappraisal of the Communist dictatorship in East Germany, this exhibition has been translated into several languages and was shown amongst others, in the United States, Peru, Bolivia and Poland.



© Flix

At the Paris Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi the exhibition will be shown in English. Arabic and French translations will be available. Simultaneously the exhibition will be shown in German at the German International School Abu Dhabi.

8:00 pm, 2 November 2010 · Goethe-Institut Gulf-Region in Abu Dhabi

One Day in Europe

Movie Screening



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On one single day, in four different European cities, people are getting involved in thefts: An English business woman and a Russian pensioner in Moscow, a German student and a Swabian-Turkish taxi driver in Istanbul, a Hungarian pilgrim and a Galician policeman in Santiago De Compostela and two French street performers in Berlin. A portrait of four different cities, quirky characters and amusing misunderstandings that cross-cultural communication often provides. Director Hannes Stoehr takes an intrigued and light look at people in Europe, people who meet and misunderstand each other, who travel, arrive and depart – and who sometimes become close.

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