- Call for Applications -  
  
   
  
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(Berlin, International Conference, November 7th - 9th, 2012)  
  
   
  
Dear Friends and Colleagues,  
  
   
  
On behalf of the Institute for Cultural Diplomacy, we are writing to bring to your attention our upcoming programs hosted by the ICD, in partnership with other leading institutions. We would be grateful if you could forward the information below to anyone you feel might be interested in participating.  
  
   
  
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(Held parallel to “23rd Anniversary to the fall of the Berlin Wall”)  
  
[www.cultural-bridges-in-germany.org](http://www.cultural-bridges-in-germany.org/)  
  
   
  
The 2012 Cultural Bridges Conference in Germany will offer a wide diversity of perspectives on the issue of intercultural relations internationally with particular focus on Germany. During the Conference, participants and speakers will discuss, create and provide a proposal document that will be presented to the international community on how to overcome the challenges in the process of multiculturalism, and will offer best practices to achieve a successful and harmonic multicultural society. In additional the conference will examine different examples and best practices of Cultural Diplomacy that might be applied in different contexts.  
  
   
  
Forum Participants >  
  
Participation in the conference is open to governmental & diplomatic officials, academics & scholars, economists, journalists, artists, civil society practitioners, private sector representatives, young professionals and students as well as other interested individuals from across the world.  
  
   
  
If you would like to reserve a position and participate in the conference, please click HERE  
  
   
  
Participant Papers >  
  
The Institute for Cultural Diplomacy encourages academic research and analysis of issues related to the goals of the Conference. The ICD would therefore like to welcome the participants of our conference to submit a paper they would like to be considered for presentation at the Conference as well as being included in the proposal document that will be issued following the Conference and will be sent to all governments and leaders of the international community.  
  
   
  
Forum Speakers >  
  
The speakers during the conference will include leading figures and experts from international politics (including head of states and ministers), academia, the diplomatic community, civil society, and the private sector. These speakers will include a number of individuals from the ICD Advisory Board. To learn more about the ICD Advisory Board please click HERE.  
  
   
  
Speaker for the Conference include:  
  
   
  
·         H. E. Amb. Abdul Basit (Ambassador of Pakistan to Germany)  
  
·         Anna-Maria de Giorgio (Head, Italian Cultural Institute, Embassy of Italy in Berlin)  
  
·         Dagmar Freitag (Member of the German Parliament)  
  
·         Amb. Dietrich von Kyaw (Former German Ambassador to the EU)  
  
·         Dr. Eleftherios Ikonomou (Director, Greek Cultural Foundation)  
  
·         Dr. Elena Cherniavska (Chairman, Institute for Democracy, Media, & Cultural Exchange e.V)  
  
·         Dr. Franz Alt (Journalist and Author)  
  
·         Hans-Josef Fell (Member of the German Parliament)  
  
·         Günther Schaefer (Photographer, Artist and Berlin Ambassador)  
  
·         Prof. Dr. Markus Gabriel (Professor of Philosophy, University of Bonn)  
  
·         Dr. Mohamed Chtatou (Division of Relations and Cooperation with International Organizations at the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization –ISESCO)  
  
·         H. E. Amb. Omar Zniber (Ambassador of Morocco to Germany)  
  
·         Dr. Ralf Brauksiepe (Member of the German Parliament)  
  
·         Tristana Moore (BBC Correspondent, Berlin)  
  
·         The Hon. Yasar Yakis (Former Foreign Minister of Turkey)  
  
   
  
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ICD Young Leaders Forums  
  
Forthcoming Weeklong Seminars 2012  
  
(Berlin, Weeklong Seminars, November - December, 2012)  
  
[www.icd-ylf.org](http://www.icd-ylf.org/)  
  
   
  
The Institute for Cultural Diplomacy's Young Leaders Forums are international networks of like-minded individuals who share an interest in strengthening intercultural relations within a region or country, or between particular regions or countries. Over the last decade we have developed a broad range of forums focusing on diverse bi- and multi-lateral relationships within and between Africa, Asia, Europe, North and South America, and Australasia. Through these programs the ICD has become one of Europe's largest independent cultural exchange organizations, bringing together stakeholders from diverse cultural, academic, and professional backgrounds.  
  
   
  
The following Weeklong Seminars will take place during November to December, 2012:  
  
   
  
The Germany Meets Turkey Conference – (Berlin, November 5th – 9th, 2012)  
The Cultural Bridges Conference in Germany – (Berlin, November 7th – 11th, 2012)  
The Art as Cultural Diplomacy – (Berlin, December 13th – 18th, 2012)