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The (Eur)Asian Challenge	
Course number	3454
Lecturer	Prof. Dr. Link
ECTS	5
Number of semester hours	4
Workload	150 h
Туре	Elective
Duration	1 Term
Prerequisites	This module is recommended for students with good/very good English language skills (preferably C1 level of European Framework for Languages).
Type of exam	Research / Working paper and presentation
Objectives	The student is able to describe the historical, social, religious, economic and cultural background of selected Eurasian/Eastern Asian and/or Australasian countries.
	He is capable of interpreting key culture models and major intercultural techniques required for understanding the Eurasian/Eastern Asian and/or Australasian region.
	The student is enabled to interculturally assess various Eurasian/Eastern Asian and/or Australasian countries such as members of the former Soviet Union, China, Japan, India, Australia etc. He is able to anticipate and to quantify cross-cultural challenges a German/Western businessperson might be faced with when doing business with people from those countries.
	For his oral presentation and written assignment focusing on one Eurasian/Eastern Asian and/or Australasian country, the student is capable of working together in a team with other students.
	He is enabled to interactively examine illustrative intercultural articles, videos and case studies.
	He is able to argument in classroom discussions and during inputs of guest lecturers on relevant cross-cultural subjects.
	The student is able to interact with other students in English more confidently.
	He is capable of following English-taught courses students and prepared for academic studies and/or intercultural business dealings, particularly in/with Eurasian/Eastern Asian and/or Australasian countries.
Content	This course addresses students of all disciplines that are interested in enhancing their intercultural skills and have already travelled to a Eurasian, an Eastern Asian and/or an Australasian destination or plan to do so. Intercultural studies are a key element of the course.
	The main culture dimensions will be introduced and complemented by illustrative case studies (i.e. critical incidents), discussions, videos, presentations and project work. Content:
	 Introduction to intercultural communication Overview of key culture models and culture dimensions Focus on selected Eurasian/Eastern Asian and/or Australasian countries and their culture
International applicability	This module is particularly suited also for international students and students who would like to prepare for academic studies and/or work(ed)

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	in a Eurasian/an Eastern Asian and/or an Australasian country and/or follow English-taught courses.
Bibliography	 Semesterapparat Link(in the library) Handouts and Downloads will be made available during term.
Forms of instruction	LecturePractice
Language of instruction	English
Availability	Every winter term
Further applicability	Ideal for preparing to study at an international English-speaking university, particularly in Eurasia/Eastern Asia and/or Australasia or working in an in a Eurasian/an Eastern Asian and/or an Australasian country or preparing/complementing an English-taught major (e.g. International Sales Management)