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Re : Report Julian van de Velde
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Dear Marco,

Through this e-mail I would like to thank you and the other people at Dabelstein & Passehl for the two great weeks I had in Hamburg (and Munich).

On Sunday 18 September 2011 I arrived at the apartment complex at the Oberstrasse. When I checked in I could not believe that you arranged a separate apartment for each of the scholars. The apartment, which had an own bathroom and kitchen, was just absolutely fantastic. It was situated in a great suburb in Hamburg in walking distance from the underground.

On Monday 19 September 2011 we started with the scholarship. On this day the scholars, amongst other things, had to present themselves and their firm. I will never forget one of the scholars' hilarious comments about one of the photo's she showed, which photo was apparently taken three years ago.

During the scholarship we attended several lectures given by Dabelstein & Passehl's lawyers. The level of these lectures was high and it was interesting to see what the German view was in respect of several legal issues. I especially enjoyed the lectures given by Olaf Hartenstein, Jan Backhaus and Nicoletta Kröger as they discussed their topic based on cases we had to prepare and subsequently discuss with them.

You further succeeded in arranging a great number of field trips for us where we visited a broad scale of companies and experts. It was very interesting to see what the daily business of these companies and people is. Further, this was a great opportunity to network with these people.



During the evening program you and your colleagues every time succeeded in taking us to totally different places. I really enjoyed these nights and the company of you and your colleagues during these nights. Especially the last night was a really fantastic ending of two great weeks. I had a lot of fun that night at the "Schöne Aussichten" and the Chinese lounge.

This year you succeeded in creating a group of scholars from different parts of the world and different cultures. It was very interesting to learn how the other scholars practise law and to learn more about their culture.

Altogether I had a great two weeks in which I learnt a lot, met many interesting people and have built up relations with people that hopefully last for a long time. Thanks again for inviting me and giving me these fantastic two weeks.

Lastly, I would also like to thank the other scholars for making this such great two weeks. I think we had a lot of fun together and formed a great group.

Best regards,
Smallegange N.V.

Julian van de Velde