



## FRIENDSHIP AND CULTURAL RELATIONS BETWEEN UZBEKISTAN AND GERMANY

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### **Abstract:**

The activities of the German-Uzbekistan society have been supported by the Embassy of the Republic of Uzbekistan in Germany and the Consulate General of the Republic of Uzbekistan since its establishment; the embassy and consulate general follow the work of the society with great interest and in some cases contribute financially to the success of the events. Live communication with the Embassy and Consulate General has a positive effect on the development of the community program. The German-Uzbekistan Society wants to expand the mutual knowledge about Germany and Uzbekistan and does this by organizing events on the topics of culture, politics, business and science.

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Friendship society "Uzbekistan-Germany" was established on November 27, 1998 and registered in the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Uzbekistan. It serves to establish and develop friendship, cultural and educational relations between Uzbekistan and Germany, and contributes to the formation of a friendly society in Germany. As a sovereign, democratic and legal state of the Republic of Uzbekistan, as an active partner in cultural and scientific relations, it comprehensively and impartially promotes the idea and performs its activities in accordance with the tasks of the charter.

"Uzbekistan-Germany" friendship society is a voluntary, self-governing, non-state public association of the republic.

The society's activity based on the principles of "people's diplomacy" is aimed at deepening mutual understanding and trust between the two countries, and developing cultural and informational relations between Uzbekistan and Germany. society works closely with the Committee on International Relations and Friendship with Foreign Countries under the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan, the German-Uzbek Friendship Society in Bonn, the German Embassy in Uzbekistan, as well as representatives of German culture and culture.





From the beginning of the 20th century, there was correspondence between the Friendship Society of Uzbekistan and the German Democratic Republic regarding participation in scientific events and other information exchanges.

Languages of the former Soviet republics have been taught in some German universities. The University of Bonn has studied the Turkish written language for many years. Uzbek language classes are held in one of the auditoriums of Bonn University. Teacher Zahro Zokirova, doctor of philological sciences, teaches Uzbek language grammar. One of the university students says in his interview:

I am studying the Uzbek language, because I am interested in the history of the Soviet Union, Uzbekistan in general and the history of Central Asia, especially the activities of the Jadids in Azerbaijan, Tatarstan and Central Asia.

One of the students of the University of Bonn, Dorothea visited Uzbekistan, in particular, the cities famous for their history, such as Samarkand, Bukhara, Khiva, and get acquainted with the everyday life of the Uzbek people.

On February 25, 2014, a lecture event was held by the Germany-Uzbekistan Friendship Society in Bonn. Zakhro Zakirova who is a member of the board of the German-Uzbekistan society, explained about the culture, rituals and prohibitions of eating in Uzbekistan.

In addition, many activities were also carried out;

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A roundtable discussion with the participation of a German oncologist at the Republican Oncology Center in our capital.

30/04/201

Organizing a concert of the German composer Karl ORF called "Carmina Burana" at the State Conservatory of the Republic of Uzbekistan.

4.09.-15.09.2014

Meeting of the German-Uzbekistan delegation in Bonn.

Visiting the sights of Uzbekistan, such as Tashkent, Ko'kan, Margilon, Khiva, Samarkand, Shahrizabz, Bukhara, climbing the mountains, meeting partners in Bukhara and Tashkent, members of the "Uzbekistan-Germany" friendship society.

18.09.-29.09. 2014

Meeting of the German-Uzbekistan delegation in Bonn.

Visiting the attractions of Uzbekistan's tourist centers such as Tashkent, Khiva, Samarkand, Shahrizabz, Bukhara, climbing the mountains, meeting partners in Bukhara and Tashkent, members of the Uzbekistan-Germany friendship society.

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Participation in the contest-festival "Tassano-2014" aimed at popularizing national dishes. Visiting the sights of Uzbekistan's tourist centers such as Khiva, Samarkand, Shahrissabz, Bukhara, climbing the mountains, meeting partners in Bukhara and Tashkent, members of the "Uzbekistan-Germany" friendship society.

The German-Uzbek Society in Bonn was established in 1994 on the initiative of the Embassy of Uzbekistan - later in Bonn - and on the initiative of the friends of Uzbekistan in Germany.

The purpose of the company is to deepen German-Uzbekistan relations in the cultural, scientific and economic spheres, to develop personal contacts, to mediate relations between organizations of the two countries, and to support exchange programs.

The German-Uzbekistan society wants to expand mutual knowledge about Germany and Uzbekistan and does this by organizing events on the topics of culture, politics, business and science; he takes care of Uzbek guests and helps to organize their stay in Germany, and also participates in Bonn-Bukhara cooperation.

In its activities, the association works in close cooperation with the administration of the city of Bonn, the Embassy of the Republic of Uzbekistan, the Consulate General of the Republic of Uzbekistan in Frankfurt-Main and the Uzbekistan-Germany Friendship Society in Tashkent.

The city of Bonn and the city of Bukhara have been maintaining close friendship for more than 12 years. The German-Uzbekistan society closely cooperates with the city of Bonn within the framework of the Bonn-Bukhara partnership. A lot of exchange of experience on environment, social issues, health care and human resources was organized between schools.

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Uzbek-German friendship society in Tashkent "Uzbekistan-Germany" friendship society serves to strengthen friendly relations and introduce the people of Uzbekistan and Germany to the cultural heritage of both countries. In 2000, relations were established between the Uzbek-German Friendship Society and the German-Uzbekistan Society; the basis of the cooperation between the two societies is the cultural agreement between Uzbekistan and Germany signed in Bonn on April 28,





1993. Both companies support each other by sharing information about their programs, organizing mutual visits and taking care of visitors.

On December 7, 2012, we spent the night before Christmas together with members and friends of the German-Uzbek community. Despite the harsh winter conditions, many people came. As guests, we welcomed the Consul General of Uzbekistan from Frankfurt, representatives of the city of Bonn, Uzbek students and a delegation from Bukhara invited by the city of Bonn. There were many opportunities to have interesting conversations with the culinary delights of Uzbekistan in a very comfortable environment.

In the autumn of 2011, the German-Uzbekistan society financed the three-month activity of an Uzbek school intern in Münster / Westphalia. The project was carried out in cooperation with the Institute of German Studies of the Westphalian Wilhelm University; the goal of the project was to improve the language skills of the Uzbek intern and to professionalize the teaching of the German language in Uzbekistan.

On March 24, 2012, we celebrated Nowruz festival in Bonn's old town hall. The initiator and main speakers were Mr. Dilshod Akhatov, the Ambassador of the Republic of Uzbekistan, Mr. Jürgen Nimpch, Lord Mayor of Bonn, and Dr. Wolf Bauer, President of the German-Uzbekistan Society. The delegation of the sister city of Bukhara also participated.

The fact that more than 300 people participated in this event shows that the German public is showing great interest in Uzbekistan. The guests were delighted with the performances and dances performed by the Uzbek musicians' group and the Uzbek dancers in traditional colorful costumes. In addition, many interesting conversations took place among the guests.

On March 10, 2013, we celebrated this year's traditional Navruz festival in the halls of the Oxford Club, Bonn. One of the unique features of the last festival was the large number of Uzbek students who made the festival very successful with their atmosphere and riots.

Many of our members, partly with their families, the senior staff of representatives of the Embassy of the Republic of Uzbekistan and the Consulate General of the Consul General of Uzbekistan Mr. Hamraev, including chefs to prepare "pilaf" as a national dish, ended the festival with a real highlight.

Another advantage is the appearance of an Uzbek dancer with musical accompaniment from the Uzbek consulate.





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