



# DAY OF GERMAN UNITY



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## MESSAGE FROM THE AMBASSADOR



for the thirty-second time. I am convinced that it can also be a day of joy for our neighbours, for our allies and partners, and, why not, for the whole world.

Since the 3rd October 1990, united Germany has become an even stronger partner for all those who want to work for a more peaceful world and for all those who jointly want to tackle the manifold challenges that threaten all inhabitants on earth: Terror and war, pandemics and diseases, climate change, dignified living conditions for everybody through the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals.

I am celebrating the Day of German Unity Day for the first time in Bangladesh. On the one hand, I am a bit sad that due to the pandemic the Embassy cannot celebrate this particular day with our Bangladeshi friends and

partners at the usual national day's reception.

On the other hand, I am glad to be in Bangladesh, a longstanding partner and friend with whom we share the vision of a multilateral world order and a rule-based international system. Additionally, Germany and Bangladesh are maintaining very close and successful business relations. I am confident that they can be even further expanded in the future for our mutual benefit.

In this sense, I would like everybody – especially in Bangladesh – to share the joy and happiness of this particular day together with us Germans.

Long live the friendship between Bangladesh and Germany!

H.E. Achim Tröster  
Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to Bangladesh

Ladies and gentlemen, dear friends of Germany, today is the third of October, and on this day, we Germans celebrate our National Day.

We call it "Day of German Unity" – it commemorates the 3rd October 1990, when Germany regained unity in freedom and democracy after having been separated for over 40 years.

I guess it is evident that this day is a day of joy for Germany, today

## Germany assumes responsibility



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Germany is counting on multilateralism. Did you know how strong the country's international involvement is? 15 examples.

1. Germany is a member or an observer in more than 80 international organizations and is party to several hundred multilateral agreements.

2. Germany is the second largest contributor to the development system of the United Nations.

3. Germany is the second largest donor of humanitarian aid to the United Nations Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF).

4. Germany is the fourth largest contributor to the United Nations peacekeeping operations.

5. Germany is the largest state donor to the World Health Organization (WHO), and by far the largest contributor to the WHO

Contingency Fund for Emergencies.

6. Germany is the second largest contributor to the Access to COVID-19 Tools (ACT) Accelerator and supports the participating organizations, such as the WHO, Gavi and Global Fund.

7. Germany is the second largest donor to the United Nations World Food Programme.

8. Germany is ranked fifth among the major refugee receiving countries.

9. Germany is currently taking part in multilateral missions and operations with almost 4,800 members of the armed forces.

10. Germany is the fourth largest shareholder in the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

11. Since 2008, Germany has financed more than 730 climate protection and biodiversity projects

in more than 60 developing and emerging economies within the International Climate Initiative (ICI).

12. Germany initiated Resolution 2467 which was passed by the UN Security Council to end conflict-related sexual violence and augment the "Women, Peace and Security" agenda.

13. In 2022 Germany will take over the G7 presidency and wants to use it to promote multilateralism.

14. In 2023 Germany will take on the leadership of the NATO spearhead Very High Readiness Joint Task Force (VJTF).

15. In May 2021 the German government published the White Paper on Multilateralism in support of its efforts to strengthen and further the international order.

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## DAAD – Change by Exchange

The Germany Academic Exchange Service has supported over 2.6 million students and researchers.

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) is the world's largest funding body for the international exchange of students and researchers. From its headquarters in Bonn, it operates a global network of 18 offices, 51 information centres (ICs), 500 lecturers and language assistants as well as 17 centres for German and European studies. Every year it supports over 140,000 German and international students and researchers.

The DAAD Artists-in-Berlin programme is one of the world's most renowned scholarship programmes for artists. Nearly 2.6 million scholars from Germany and abroad have been supported by the DAAD since it was founded in 1925. The DAAD also supports



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the internationalisation of German higher education, promotes German studies and the German language abroad, assists developing countries in setting up strong universities, and advises decision-makers in the

fields of education, international cultural relations and development policy. The DAAD's motto is "Change by Exchange".

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