

Invitation: Workshop on

Foreign Cultural and Educational Policy in Transition Countries  
using the Example of Myanmar

Date: 11 November 2013, 9:45 – 16:45 hrs  
Place: BICC, Pfarrer-Byns-Straße 1, 53121 Bonn  
Organization: BICC (Bonn International Center for Conversion)  
ifa (Institute for Foreign Cultural Relations)

You are kindly invited to the workshop on Foreign Cultural and Educational Policy in Transition Countries using the Example of Myanmar in Bonn on 11 November 2013.

As consequence of the military rule a cultural exchange between Germany and the Union of Myanmar hardly existed for decades. Since 2010, however, the political situation in Myanmar and thereby the bilateral relations have changed steadily: After the opening of Myanmar and political reforms, both countries signed a cultural agreement in July 2013.

In the context of the workshop, selected experts such as researchers, policymakers, implementers and artists will discuss the role of Foreign Cultural and Educational Policy in Myanmar during the on-going transformation process. The aim of the workshop is to identify potentials and risks for German Foreign Cultural and Educational Policy in Myanmar in particular, and for transition countries in general. Furthermore, the discussion is to shed light on the question of which themes and formats need to be chosen to achieve an effective and sustainable Foreign Cultural and Educational Policy during democratic processes.

We would be pleased to welcome you to the workshop!

With kind regards,



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BICC, Director for Research



Dr. Odila Triebel  
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## Program

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| 9:45  | Arrival and Registration  |
| 10:00 | Welcome<br>Professor Dr. Conrad Schetter (BICC) and Dr. Odila Triebel (ifa)   |
| 10:15 | Political Situation in Myanmar<br>Dr. Gerhard Will (Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik)  |
| 10:45 | Civil Society during the Democratization Process in Myanmar<br>Dr. Khin Zaw Win (Tampadipa Institute)   |
| 11:15 | Short Break   |
| 11:25 | Arts and Culture in Myanmar<br>Myint Zaw (Ju Foundation)  |
| 11:55 | German Cultural and Educational Policy during the Democratization Process in Myanmar<br>Anna Kaitinnis (Research Programme "Culture and Foreign Policy")  |
| 12:30 | Lunch   |
| 13:30 | World Café<br>1. German Mediator Organizations during the Democratization Process in Myanmar<br>2. Artists and Students—Elites and Multiplies—during the Democratization Process in Myanmar<br>3. Conflict Potential and Exit Strategies: German Commitment in the Sector of Foreign Cultural and Educational Policy in Myanmar |
| 15:10 | Short Break   |
| 15:30 | Presentation of the Results and Discussion<br>Moderation: Susanne Heinke (BICC)   |
| 16:30 | Summary and Farewell<br>Professor Dr. Conrad Schetter (BICC) and Dr. Odila Triebel (ifa)  |