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Press Release

AGA Goethe Fellowship 2009 News

The Australian German Association and the Goethe-Institut are pleased to announce that the winner of the 2009 AGA Goethe Fellowship is Jennifer Millar.

The Fellowship offers a unique opportunity to a young Australian to spend 3 months in Germany improving their German language skills. A key element of the Fellowship is the work done by the winner in Germany on a project of the winner's choice which has as its primary goal the establishment and fostering of an ongoing relationship between Australia and Germany.

Jennifer is a 23 year old West Australian who currently works as an Outreach Science communicator at Scitech Discovery Centre in Perth. She has a first class honours Science degree from Curtin University specialising in nanotechnology. Her project will involve visiting various science centres and universities in Germany in order to investigate how nanotechnology is communicated to the German public and the extent to which this communication inspires and engages the German public. Jennifer will use her research to determine how such communications could be used to engage the Australian public and to develop an educational nanotechnology program combining scientific and cultural communication between Australians and Germans.

Jennifer commences the Fellowship at the beginning of 2010.

The AGA is a not-for-profit association which aims to foster relations between Australia and Germany in business, science and the arts. Its members are drawn from prominent Australians with a strong interest in fostering the bilateral relationship (see www.aga.org.au).

The Goethe-Institut is the Federal Republic of Germany's cultural institution operational worldwide. It promotes the study of German abroad and encourages international cultural exchange.

For further information about the Fellowship, please call Irene Zeitler, Convenor AGA Goethe Fellowship Committee on 0419 888 299.