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Visit of German State Secretary Hans Jürgen Beerfeltz to the Human Rights Village

On 10 May 2012 State Secretary Hans Jürgen Beerfeltz from the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development **visited the Human Rights Village in Venice.**

The **working discussions** with the EIUC faculty and staff focussed on *‘Innovating Learning Platforms for Development and Human Rights’*. Discussions centred around the relationship between human rights and development in practice and explored options for setting up new projects between BMZ/GIZ and EIUC.

On the occasion of the German States Secretary’s visit, Prof. Dr. Horst Fischer, President of EIUC, also had the distinct pleasure to welcome **Dr. Christoph Beier**, Member of the Managing Board of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ).

A dinner offered by EIUC brought together the German guests with **Mr. Giorgio Orsoni**, Mayor of Venice, **Mr. Bruno Filippini**, Deputy Mayor for Public Property, Housing and Housing Policies of the City of Venice, and authorities from Ca' Foscari University of Venice. The State Secretary addressed the dinner guests with a **speech on Economic development and actual challenges.**



Brindisi in the cloister - Dr. Angela Melchiorre (E.MA Programme Director), Prof. Horst Fischer (EIUC President), Dr. HJ Beerfeltz (German State Secretary), Mr. Bruno Filippini (Deputy Mayor of the City of Venice) and Prof. Fabrizio Marrella (Ca' Foscari University Venice, Dean of the Human Rights Village)



Meeting on *New Learning Platforms*



Dr. Christoph Beier (Managing Board GL), Dr. HJ Beerfeltz (German State Secretary), Dr. Nils Metzler-Nolte (Vice-Rector Ruhr-University Bochum), Dr. Albrecht Stockmayer (Head of Section Governance and Gender) and Ms Peter (State Secretary assistant)

