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SP-Bericht

Bericht für den Zeitraum 17.06.2026 bis 20.07.2026

SP-Report

Report for the time between 17.06.2026 and 20.07.2026

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General and Appointments (written by Natalie Chong)

04.06.2026 Shared InfoStand at Lange Tafel der Vielfalt

On the 4th of July, the AV was present at the Lange Tafel der Vielfalt at a shared Info Stand with AStA, ARS, GSP and the Humboldt-Haus. The AV is grateful for the opportunity to be there and to introduce its role and services to more people of the city.

06.07.2026 Election of the 28th Representation of Foreign Students

On 06.07., the general assembly of the AV took place. The president, the vice president and the project leaders were elected by the newly elected members of the Representation of Foreign Students during the university wide elections.

Events (written by Taha Dani)

28.05.2026 Game Night

On May 28th, the AV hosted a Game Night at Humboldt Haus, beginning at 18:00. The event saw an attendance of approximately 25 students. The evening featured a variety of board games, including Cards Against Humanity, Uno, Codenames, Chess, and Werewolf. While the turnout was not as high as some other AV events, feedback from participants was very positive. It was noted that this setting is particularly conducive to socializing, allowing for more meaningful interaction among attendees.

11.06.2026 Craft the Night Away

On June 11th, the AV hosted a "Craft the Night Away" event at Humboldt Haus, starting at 18:00. The session reached a high attendance of approximately 70 students. The focus of the evening was working with air-dried clay, for which the AV provided all materials, allowing students the freedom to create their own projects. This event remains one of the most popular in the AV schedule.

25.06.2026 Karaoke Night

On June 25th, the AV hosted a Karaoke Night at Humboldt Haus, beginning at 18:00. The event saw an attendance of approximately 20 students. Participants used the KaraFun website to sing, providing an opportunity for students to relax from their studies. Due to an extreme heatwave that affected the region, the turnout was lower than average. The AV attempted to mitigate the temperature by placing fans in the room.

09.07.2026 Pub Quiz

On July 9th, the AV hosted a Pub Quiz at Humboldt Haus, beginning at 18:00. The event had an attendance of approximately 50 students. The quiz featured categories including the World Cup, art, Disney, and business and finance. Prizes were awarded to the teams placing

1st and 2nd. The 1st-place team was given the choice between an inflatable pool float or small animal-themed building block sets. Pub quizzes remain a consistently popular format, as students frequently enjoy the competitive atmosphere fostered by this type of event at the university.

16.07.2026 Paint the Night Away

On July 16th, the AV held a "Paint the Night Away" event at Humboldt Haus, starting at 18:00. The session reached an attendance of approximately 65 students. Attendees were provided with all necessary materials and given the choice to paint either a canvas or a paper fan. This event continues to be a staple of the AV's programming due to the strong turnout and consistent demand from students.

Escape Room Postponement

Originally scheduled for 18.06, the Escape Room was rescheduled to 02.07 due to ongoing renovations at the Humboldt-Haus. However, due to an unfortunately timed issue with the facility that resulted in a week-long break for all organizations, the Escape Room this summer semester has been again rescheduled to the winter. The AV has already prepared all materials, and since the event was very well visited last Halloween with over 100 participants, this event will definitely happen next semester.

Consultations (written by Zakaria Jafar)

The consultations-team helps international students with their immigration law problems by e-mail daily. The in-person consultation sessions are offered twice a week: Wednesdays both in Humboldt Haus and at the AStA office. Apart from the last 2 weeks where the sessions in AStA were held on Thursday. In the following are the in-person consultation sessions From June 17th, 2026, till July 20th, 2026:

- 17.06.26, 24.06.26, 01.07.26, from 10:00 to 11:30 at the AStA office, and from 16:30 to 18:00 in Humboldt Haus.
- 08.07.26., 15.07.26 from 16:30 to 18:00 in Humboldt Haus.
- 09.07.26, 16.07.26 from 10:00 to 11:30 at the AStA office.

The team hosted on the 22.06.2026 the last of the series of 3 seminars about jobbing for students about HiWi-rights and -job offers with the PSC, the event took place in the sky lounge of the main building and included many interactive examples of interviews for jobbing and was very well received by the participants. On the 01.07.26 the team hosted a Seminar about exam-stress in cooperation with the psych. Beratung. The event took the form of a support café where participants were actively sharing their stress factors, and the strategies against it, this was also well received.

The consultations team has been continuing the lawyer appointments on Zoom. Since the last report there were 2 lawyer-appointments-session: 24.06.26. & 08.07.26.

The consultations team is as always accepting applications and will invite interested students for an interview. If anyone is interested in applying for the consultations team, here is the link to applications av.rwth-aachen.de/join-us/.

Social Media (written by Maria Kayra Saskia)

The AV continues to use its social media channels to promote its events, inform students, and provide useful tips for international students through posts. In addition to posts, the AV also makes reposts whenever relevant information is posted on official accounts such as the RWTH, International Office, and Stadt Aachen.

In the last months the AV informed students on its social platforms about the different events organized and gave general information. The AV published a post about its events 'Karaoke Night' (19.06), 'Escape Room' (26.06), 'Pub Quiz' (03.07) and 'Paint the Night Away' (10.07). The AV also informed students of the postponement of the event 'Escape Room' due to renovations in the events venue through a story (15.06) and a post (30.06).

Due to the success of the event 'German Language Club', the AV has continued to hold and promote the event. The AV also promoted another meeting (30.06) and subsequently informed students that registrations are closed through a post (03.07). The AV also publicized a post calling for interested German native speakers to aid in moderating the event (18.06).

The AV also informed students about the continuation of the in-person consultations for July (30.06). The AV also informed students of the preparation (16.06) and subsequent completion of their CV photos (23.06) that was offered during an earlier seminar regarding 'RWTH Student Skills: Let's Get You Hired', agreed to a collaboration post with BSHK about 'Top Red Flags at Work as HiWi at RWTH' (16.06), agreed to a collaboration post with AStA and BSHK about 'Tax Law for Students' (16.06), agreed to a collaboration post with AStA about 'Internationals: BAföG, WohnGeld, residence permits and work' (17.05), agreed to a collaboration post with RWTH, AStA and IO about the 'Campus Solidarity Scholarship' (18.06), agreed to a collaboration with ZSB and AStA to promote the seminar 'Klausurphase: Don't Panic' (24.06).

The social media platforms the AV uses to inform the students are Instagram, Facebook, and Telegram. Due to an increasing number of scammers and lack of activity, the AV has decided to soft-delete the AV Discord, which entails kicking all members off the Discord and disabling all invite codes.

Website

The website has been updated to reflect the latest information about events. Additionally, the consultation times have been revised. The layout of the website have been optimised and improved for a better user experience.

How to RWTH (written by Natalie Chong)

Support Network for International Students

The AV organized its first Networking event entitled “Support Network for International Students” on 02.07. Present at this event were the following:

- Equal Opportunities Office
- Family Service
- AStA Social Affairs
- AStA Chair
- AStA Sustainability and Student Engagement
- GSP
- International Office
- Language Centre
- Student Council of Electrical Engineering
- Student Council of Materials Engineering
- Student Council of BioScience
- Mentoring of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering
- Faculty of Chemistry
- BSHK
- Central Student Counseling

The aim of this event was to better connect various consultation services of the university to each other and to improve on usual challenges faced by international students.

Each organization had the opportunity to report on their consultations. The floor was open to questions and suggestions from others to share their perspectives.

Overall feedback was positive, and the AV will be organizing another networking event in the future.

AV German Language Club

The AV continued the popular German language club on the 25.06 and the 09.07. Each session saw an attendance of around 25 participants, all of whom registered through posts from the AV Instagram page.

This time, there were also new volunteers who signed up to be part of the program. The AV promoted volunteer moderators' recruitment via its Instagram page, and via the mechanical engineering faculty.

Again, participants were sorted according to language level, which are A1/A2, B1/B2 and C1 respectively. Prompt cards and question guides were prepared to ease conversations. Each session lasted 60 minutes, with groups of 6 participants chatting away.

Many thanks to the volunteers who moderated each group, many of which were native speakers. The moderators are there to guide the follow of conversation and to correct grammatical errors or give input on the language from the perspective of a native speaker.

The AV plans to organize at least one more session during the exam period, as well as expand on the ideas for the new semester with more regular sessions, and bigger workshops aiming to undertake various activities while improving students' German fluency.

Native or fluent speakers are always welcomed as volunteers! The current pool of volunteers is small, and the AV looks forward to having more people on board. No specific qualifications are needed, just a willingness to socialize and some patience. Please reach out at av@av.rwth-aachen.de if interested.