

German European School Manila holds virtual fair



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For the first time, the German European School in Manila launched its first virtual university fair on Nov. 27.

Taking part in the student-led event were 26 universities from 12 countries, including schools from Sweden, the Netherlands and Switzerland. It was organized by the school's 11th and 12th grade students.

“We were one of the very first schools to be able to immediately transition to online schooling right after schools were forced to close in March. So we’ve been doing distance learning for a while now, and we have come to see not only the challenges this situation presents, but also the many opportunities it offers,” German European School Manila Head Christoph-Boris Frank said.

“For the University Fair, we were able to come up with an impressive line-up of university presenters and of course this wouldn’t be possible if we were to not hold it online,” he added.

The German Academic Exchange Service also was involved in the international school’s fair and talked about study opportunities in Germany and their benefits.

Four sessions were held during the fair.

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), a network of German higher education institutions funded by the German government, also presented at the fair.

According to the school primer, Germany is known as prime destination for studies abroad. With universities – most of which impose practically no tuition fees – that are famous for a policy of academic freedom, the country attracted close to 400,000 international students in 2019.

Visit <http://www.gesm.org/university-fair-2020> to view the exhibit.