

Dear All,

I would like to thank everyone for contributing to the success of our first Heidelberg Alumni Toronto meeting on Tuesday evening. It was a pleasure meeting all of you, and I look forward to maintaining contact and organizing various alumni events together in the future. In particular, I would like to thank Irmintraud Jost for organizing the meeting and for travelling to Toronto, Heidelberg Alumni International for sponsoring the event and providing our drinks and hors d'oeuvres, and Dr. Alexandra Hausstein for attending the event on behalf of the Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst (DAAD) in Canada. And of course, many thanks to the German Consulate General Toronto for opening their (brand new!) doors to us for the evening.

As we discussed on Tuesday, at this early stage of development, it is important to reach out to other Heidelberg alumni in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) and other parts of southern Ontario. As such, it would be tremendously helpful if we could keep track of the other alumni we know here in Toronto (or even in Canada, for that matter). Please send an email with the name and contact information (preferably email address) of the alum/na to Irmintraud Jost so that she can update her list of Canadian alumni. That way, once we're able to launch groups and events later this year, we will have a more comprehensive and up-to-date list of contacts.

As a second note of business, Ali Toufighi kindly agreed to create the Facebook group "Heidelberg Alumni Canada", which will hopefully provide an online venue for us to enlarge our network.

Incidentally, for those of you who are members of Facebook, you may also be interested in joining the group: Heidelberg Alumni International

And finally, if you haven't already done so, please feel free to visit HAINet and create/update your personal profile and contact information. You can go to the site directly at: <https://alumniportal-heidelberg.de> . You are also very welcome to join the newly founded group "Heidelberg Alumni Canada (HACA)" on HAINet.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen,
Jessica Denenberg