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FRANKly 2017 Call for Articles

The *FRANKly* is the annual journal of the German Fulbright Alumni Association. In addition to reporting on the regional, national, and international activities of our Association, the publication serves as a platform for Fulbright alumni to share fascinating experiences, witty opinions, unique insights, and thoughtful outlooks.

Fulbright in a Post-Truth Age

Post-truth, an adjective that relates to circumstances in which “objective facts are less influential in shaping public opinion than appeals to emotion and personal belief” has been named 2016’s international word of the year by Oxford Dictionaries. With Great Britain leaving the European Union, and Donald Trump winning the American presidential election, facts and truth seem to become less and less relevant factors in defining public discourse. Emotions such as fear, distrust, and suspicion give rise to populist movements, and result in nationalist tendencies all over the globe.

The 2017 edition of the *FRANKly* explores the meaning of exchange programs such as Fulbright in an age of ‘alternative facts’ and authoritarian predispositions. Promoting the transnational exchange of knowledge and culture, Fulbright assumes an ever more important role in shaping young minds to take an active part in our democracy. The *FRANKly* 2017 welcomes contributions that shed light on the importance of the Fulbright program and the German Fulbright Alumni Association, as well as the network of Fulbright Alumni Associations across the globe in our current political climate. Why does Fulbright matter now more than ever? How does Fulbright contribute to the process of finding and telling truth?

We sincerely ask all submitted articles to meet our standard editing requirements. Articles may range in length from 3,000-12,000 characters (with spaces) and should be written in American English. **The deadline for submissions is June 1st, 2017.**

When submitting your article, please provide a short biography and portrait. Authors are encouraged to submit images (3-10 images total) that support their article, whether photographs or stock photography suggestions (fotolia.com, shutterstock.com, istockphoto.com, etc). Every photograph must include the photographer’s name and a caption. Images and photos must be submitted with resolution of at least 300 dpi. Please do not embed images in the text.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me through email to editor.frankly@fulbright-alumni.de. Also, feel free to discuss your ideas in our Facebook group ‘The German Fulbright Alumni Association.’ I am looking forward to your contributions!

Best wishes from Frankfurt,

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