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Pakistan has faced immense challenges, both at economic and humanitarian fronts, in the year 2022. The Mission worked diligently to face these challenges and rose up to the occasion to counter these obstacles.

The Foreign Minister, Mr. Bilawal Bhutto Zardari, visited Berlin in October 2022, which was cardinal for the recognition of Pakistan's stance on Jammu and Kashmir dispute, by his German counterpart. Other matters related to bilateral relations were also discussed in detail.

Another highlight of this quarter was the inauguration of a "Digital Tourism Corner" in the Embassy to particularly acquaint German audience regarding the tourism potential of Pakistan.

Other high-level visits were also undertaken, by Pakistani side, at political and defence fronts, which also speak of the trust which prevail between Germany and Pakistan.

The inauguration of the Pak-German friendship society is also a welcome step in enhancing people to people contacts and improving relations by creating a better understanding between the two countries.

During the current quarter, the Embassy has initiated the "Ruth Pfau Medal" in recognition of the selfless services of our German friends towards Pakistan and its people.

Our Mission in Frankfurt has been actively working to explore trade and investment opportunities and with our new Commercial Counsellor in place, we have actively participated in International Trade Fairs held throughout Germany during the year.

As the representatives of Government of Pakistan in Germany, we, on one hand, engaged various stakeholders to discuss and devise means to help the flood victims back home and on the other hand, strive to explore possibilities for enhancing economic activity between the two nations.

We express our gratitude to the German Government and people, for extending a helping hand in this hour of need.

I would like to greet all readers a happy New Year 2023 and pray that the New Year brings prosperity and peace in our lives.

Dr. Mohammad -aisal

As we welcome 2023, I extend my warm wishes, especially to our friends and well-wishers in Germany and all around the globe. The past year has been full of challenges for the world, in general, but for Pakistan in particular, due to the catastrophic floods. It, however, also was the time where our people exhibited resilience, strength and hope. Let's all continue to support each other, join hands and strive for a better, peaceful and prosperous world, which is the right of our future generations.

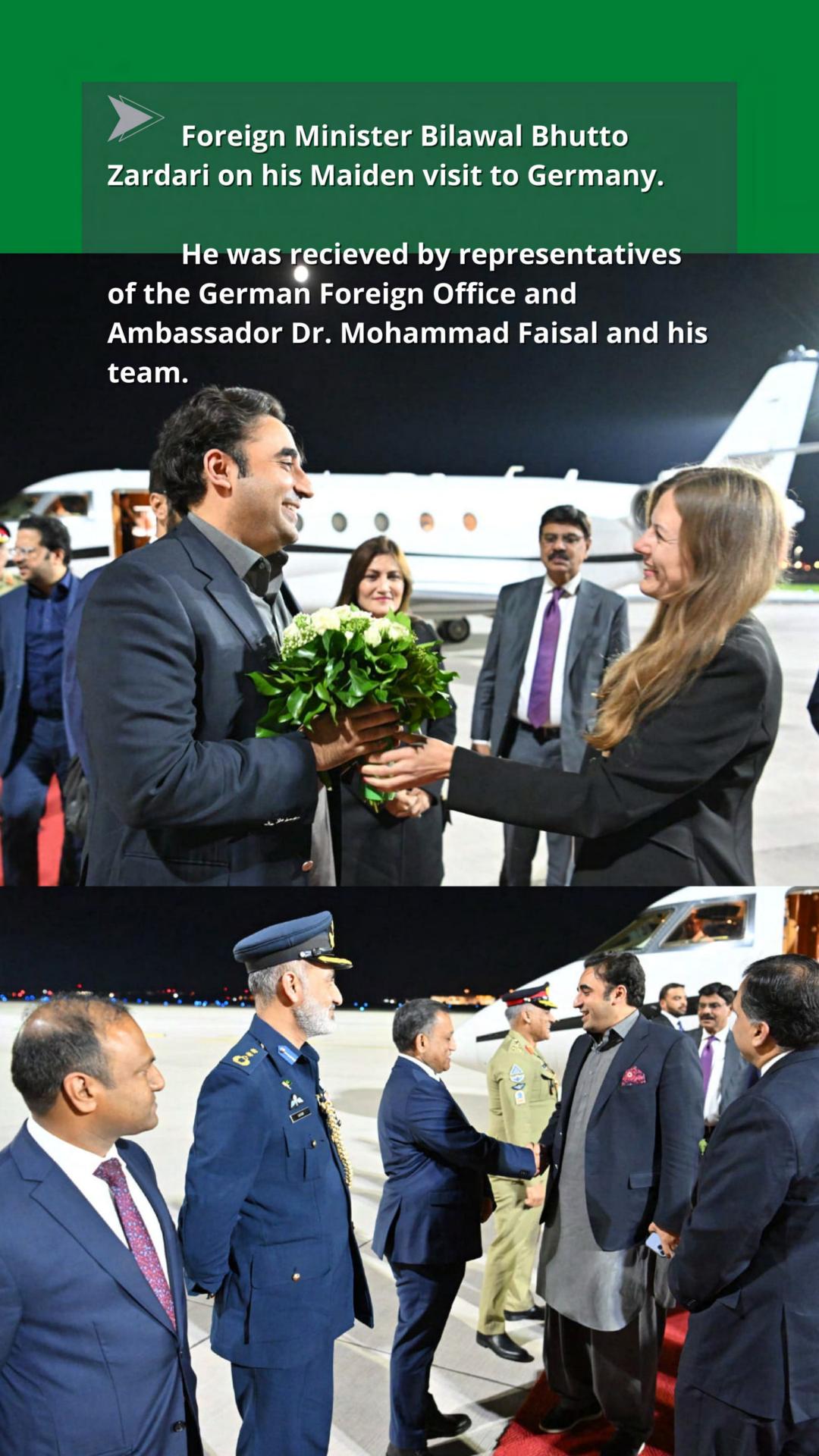
Please accept good wishes for a new year filled with health, happiness, peace and prosperity for all.

Dr. Mohammad Faisal
Ambassador of Pakistan to Germany















Issues of bilateral interest, floods in Pakistan, cooperation on climate, green energy and enhancing economic ties were discussed.







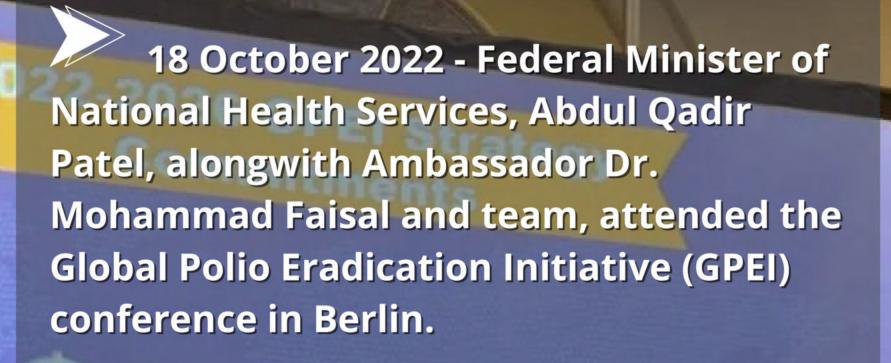






Federal Minister of National Health Services, Abdul Qadir Patel, discussed the Flood situation in Pakistan and support needed in health sector, for affected people. He invited her to visit Pakistan to which she agreed.





He reiterated Government of Pakistan's resolve to eradicate polio and provsion of health facilities to Flood victims in Pakistan.































13 October 2022 - Ambassador Dr. Mohammad Faisal met the CEO of construction company DMT, Dr. Maik Tiedemann and Ms. Diana Sündermann, Deputy Head of Group Representative Office, TÜV NORD AG.

They briefed the Ambassador about DMT and their projects and their plans in Pakistan.





O8 November 2022 - Ambassador Dr. Mohammad Faisal met General Eberhard Zorn, Chief of Defence of German Armed Forces and discussed Defence cooperation topics between Pakistan and Germany.

Ambassador Faisal also expressed hope that General Zorn would be able to visit Pakistan soon.





22 November 2022 - Ambassador Dr Mohammad Faisal's interview regarding flood situation in Pakistan and Pakistani-German Relations published in the **Business & Diplomacy Magazine's latest** issue.



Shah City | Dr. Mohammad Faisal is Pakistan's Ambassador to Germany since June 2020

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Flood in Pakistan

Pakistan's Ambassador Dr. Mohammad Faisal regarding the current flood situation in Pakistan and Pak-German relations

Interview: Rainer Schubert

Pakistan is facing exceptionally devastating floods. The scale of calamity is unprecedented. More than 33 million people are affected and are internally dislocated. More than 1,500 have lost their lives, number of injured people is well over 12,000, as the first impact of flood, not including disease outbreaks and impact of lack of hygienic conditions, 6579 Km of roads and 246 bridges are damaged. Connectivity issues will hamper economic growth, condition of affected regions and considerably undermine people's livelihoods. 1.69 million houses are destroyed. Number of perished livestock is 751,145. Livestock is vital aspect of people's livelihood in our agrarian economy and it is a loss of earning for rural Pakistan. In short, the situation is quite challenging.

IS THERE A CONNECTION BETWEEN THE FLOOD AND CLI-MATE CHANGE, AS PAKISTAN IS NOT EVEN CONTRIBUTING EVEN ONE PERCENT TOWARDS GLOBAL WARMING AND IS AMONGST THE TOP EIGHT COUNTRIES TO BE THE MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED?

These floods are stark evidence of global warming and climate change. Pakistan is paying the price for the acts of others. In fact Pakistan contributes less than 1% of greenhouse gases yet it is one of the most vulnerable and seriously affected countries. We have never seen a starker and more devastating impact of global warming. Glaciers in Pakistan are melting fast, our forests are burning and our temperatures are rising up to 53°C. It is a very difficult situation.

WHICH SUPPORT DOES PAKISTAN NEED FROM THE WORLD THE PEOPLE, THE ECONOMY AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE? AND PARTICULARLY FROM THE EU AND GERMANY TO SUFFERS FROM THE FLOOD?

Pakistan is in need of assistance. In addition to cash donations, provision of medicines and relief items e.g. tents, shelters, temporary toilets, clothing, blankets etc. are required. Provision of clean drinking water, preferably water purification plants is important. Disease outbreak is a new challenge. Rescue and relief operations are ongoing, followed by reconstruction and rehabilitation in the longer term. The world is generously donating. UN issued a \$160 million flash appeal. Germany is extending continued assistance to Pakistan and we are grateful for the help. Visit of UNSG was pivotal in drawing global attention to the plight of flood affectees. The recent session of UNGA paid due attention to the flood crisis in Pakistan. France, a key EU member, has offered to host an aid conference for Pakistan.

HOW WOULD YOU EVALUATE THE GERMAN - PAKISTAN RE-LATIONS AND WHAT ARE YOUR EXPECTATIONS FOR THEIR FUTURE?

Pakistan and Germany have cordial relations since the 1950s and marked 70 years of their diplomatic relations in 2021. Both countries remain actively engaged in areas of politics, economy, defence, education and culture. Exchanges of high-level visits between the two countries have given impetus to bilateral ties and we look forward to continue in this regard.

08 December 2022 - Ambassador Dr. Mohammad Faisal met Mr. Mirco Günther, Head of Asia-Pacific Department at the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung.

Matters related to enhance future cooperation and upcoming visit of Pakistani parliamentarians to Germany were discussed.





Matters regarding enhancing B2B engagements in technology, energy & industry amid climate change were discussed in detail.









28 October 2022 - Speakers of Online Moot organised by Pakistan Embassy in Germany regarding Jammu & Kashmir Black Day urge the world to step forward and end Human Rights' abuses in Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOJK).





Ms. Mariyam Aurangzeb, Federal Minister for Information and



Ch. Qamar Zaman Kaira, Advisor to PM onKashmir Affairs and Gilgit-Baltistan



Dr. Mohammad Faisal Ambassador in Germany



Lord Wajid Khan, Member of House of Lords, UK



Ms. Mishaal Mullick, Kashmiri Activist



Mr. Ali Asghar Member DPF Hamburg



Mr. Volker Tschapke, Honorary President of Prussian Society

Mrs. Shamim Shawl

Kashmiri Activist



Mr. Altaf Hussain Wani,



Mr. Ali Raza Kashmiri Activist, Brussels

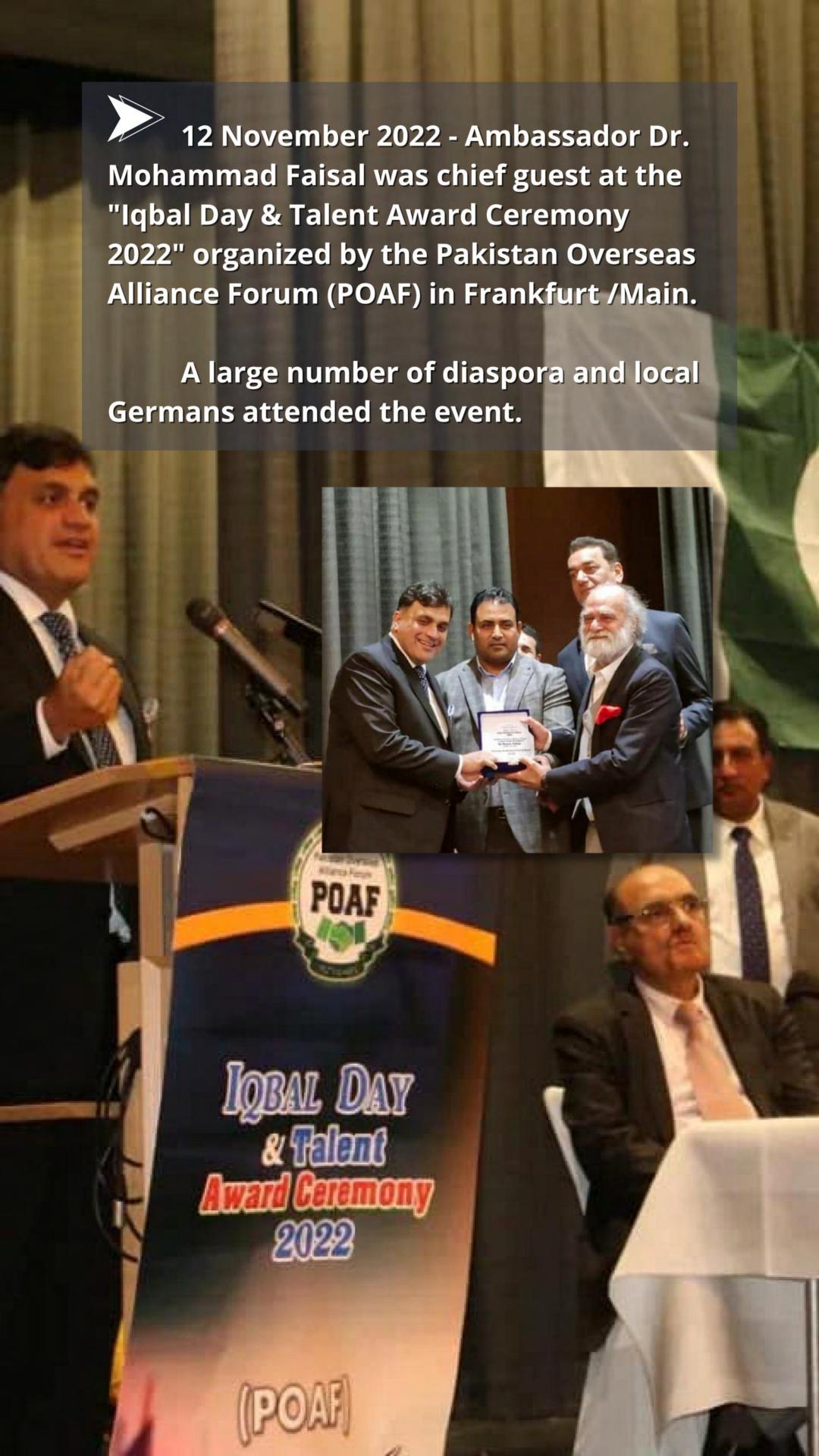


Mr. Ewald Konig, Chairperson, International Media Project and House of Federal Press Conference



Mr. Christian Grosse Open International





20 November 2022 - As the FIFA World Cup 2022 begins in Qatar, the football 'Al Rihla' is ready to take the stage.

This football is #MadeinPakistan!



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DEFENSE WING





DEFENSE & ARMY ATTACHÉ

Brig. Qasim Shahzad





NAVAL & AIR ATTACHÉ

Capt. Syed Ailya Hasan





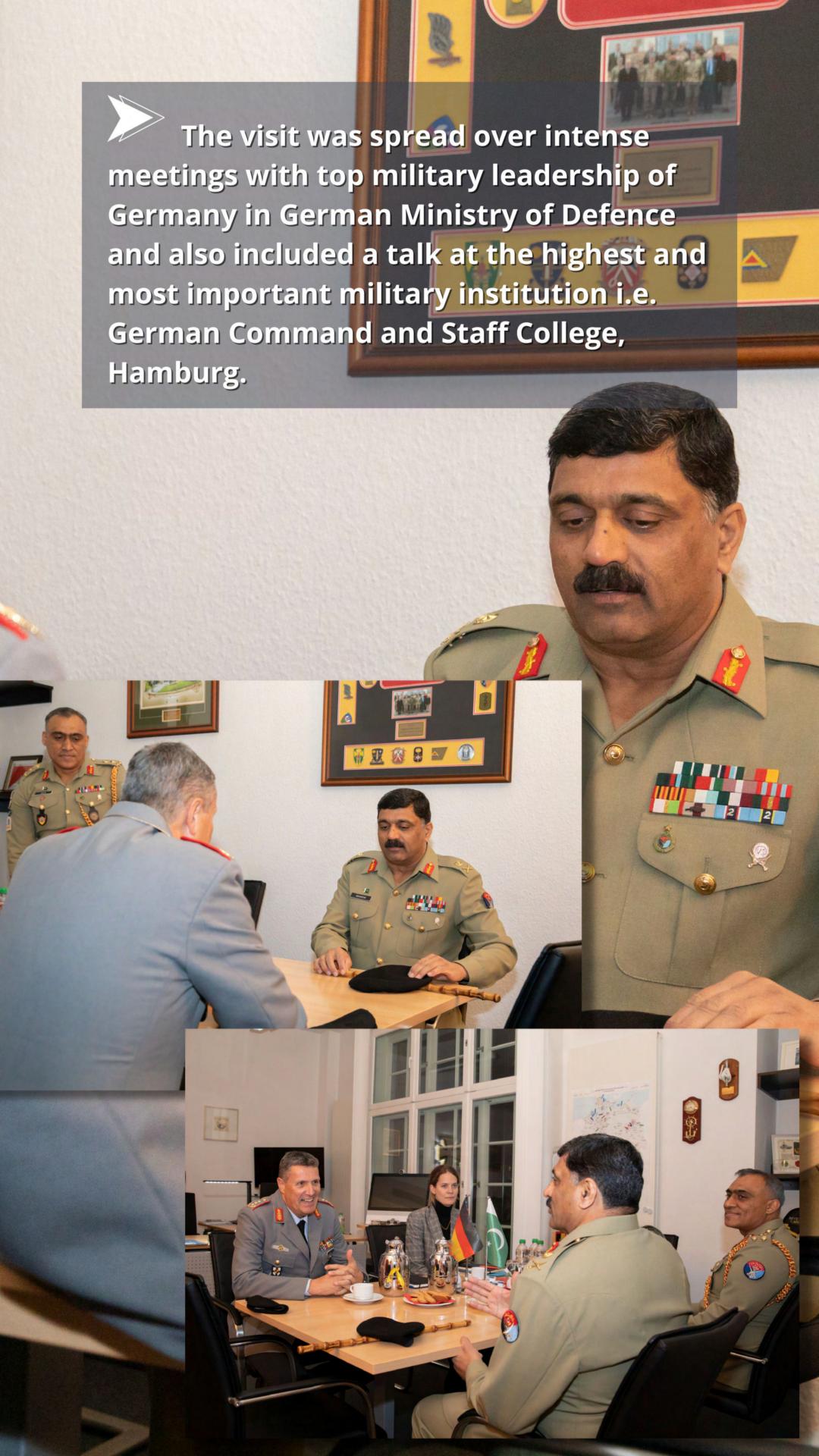
TECHNICAL ATTACHÉ (AIR)

Group Capt. Saqib Hameed





German Armed Forces were represented by Lieutenant General Markus Laubenthal, German Vice Chief of Defence (Vice CHoD).





Delegation was received by Amb Ekkehard Brose, President Federal Academy for Security Policy at BAKS.

President BAKS gave an overview of role of BAKS and its key function of advising Federal Chancellor on security policy issues. An exhaustive discussion took place on regional and international security issues and both sides gave respective national perspectives.

President BAKS acknowledged Pakistan's perspective on various issues and mentioned that it was his first ever interaction with any high-level delegation of Pakistan.







Visit to German MoD

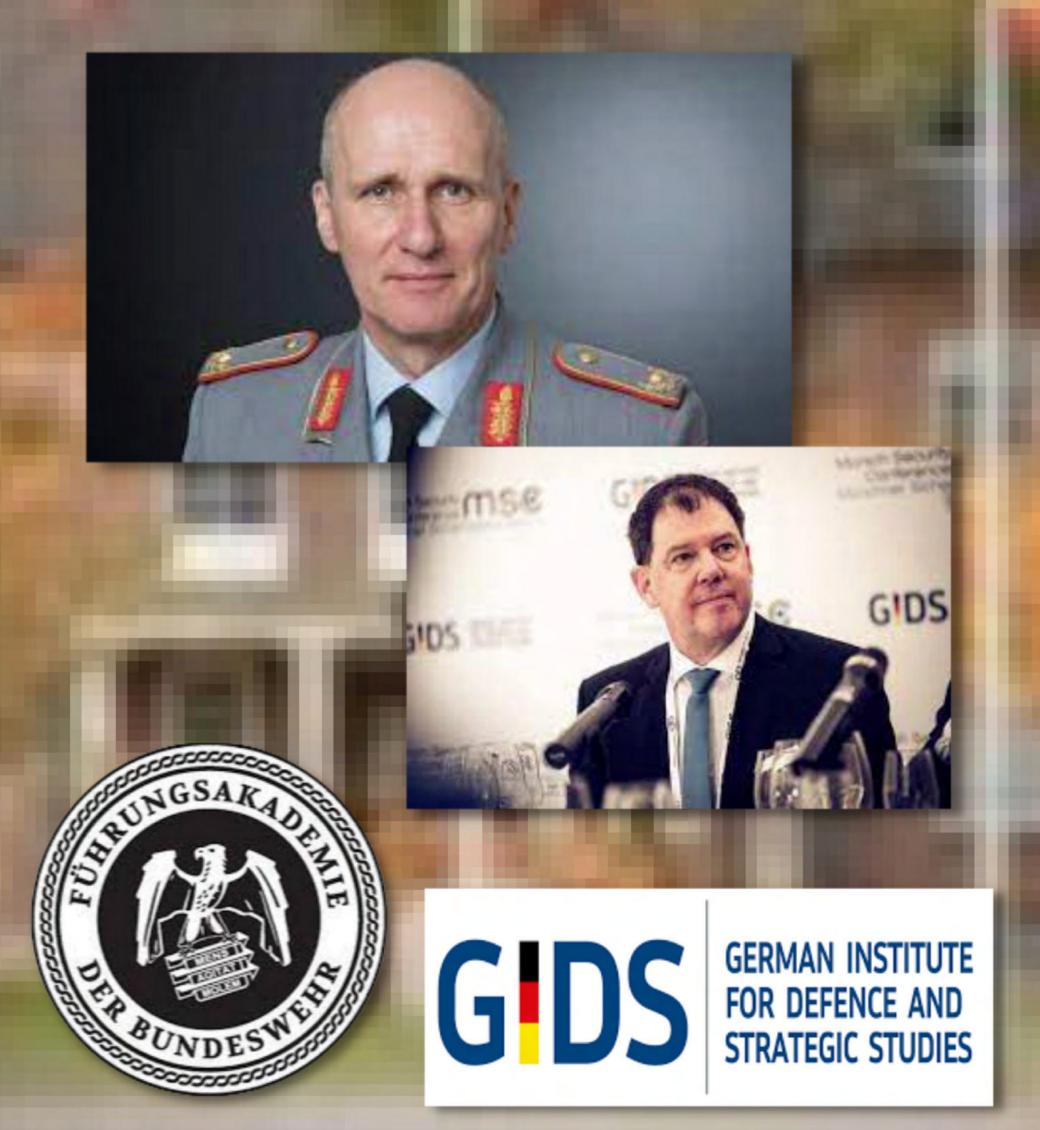
National anthems of both countries were played and after review of Guard of Honour, there was a general salute followed by march past of Guard of Honour.



Visit to FüAkBw (German Armed Forces War College)

Delegation was hosted by Major General Oliver Kohl, Commandant German Comand and Staff College.

Director GIDS (German Military Think Tank), Dr. Stefan Bayer, gave an overview of the think tank and its contribution in policy input to decision makers.

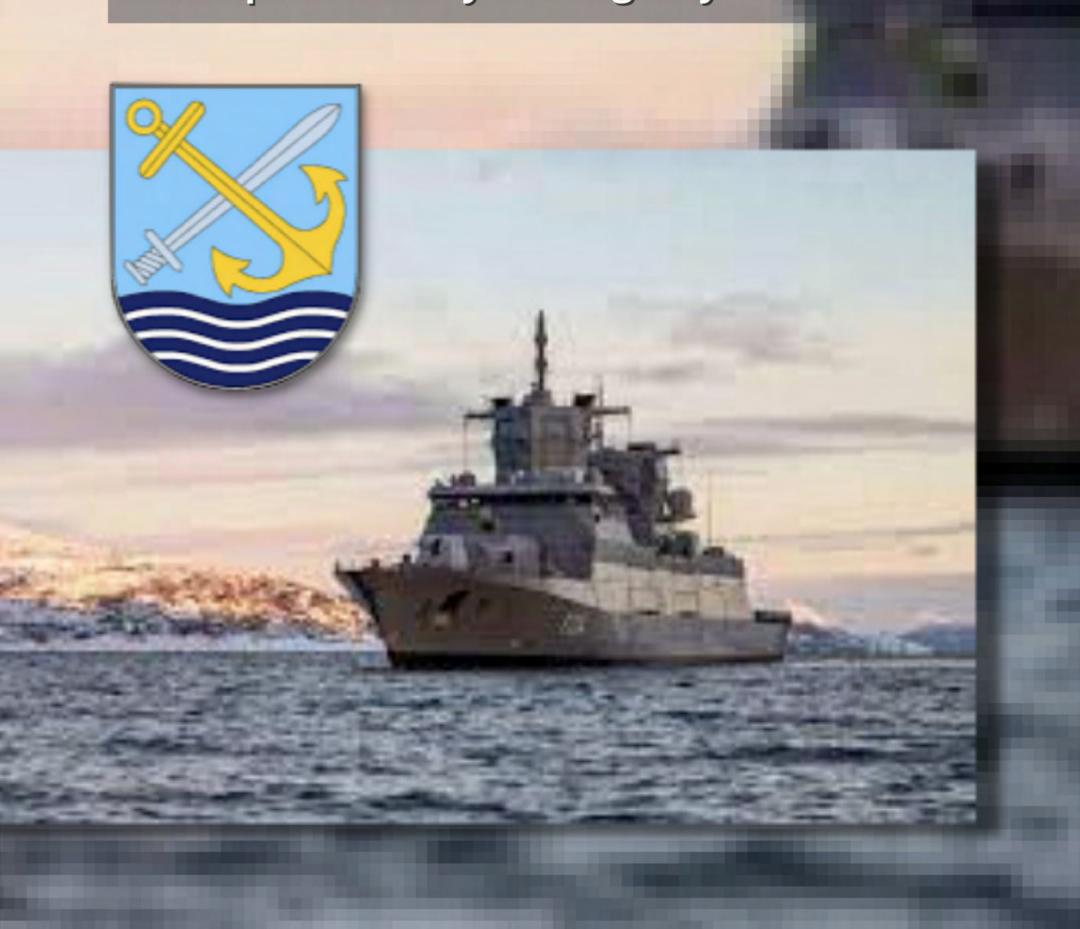




The delegation was taken to the Naval Port of Wilhelmshafen where they visited the latest German Naval Ship Frigate F125 class.

After comprehensive briefings, the delegation visited the entire ship including MTU Engine room.

Later, the delegation was taken on a speed boat of special forces to the Sea, demonstrating latest capabilities of Ship in response to any contingency.



28 November 2022 - Indo-Pacific Seminars and Graduation Ceremony of German Command and Staff College

Brigadier Qasim Shahzad, Defence & Army Attaché, visited German Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies (GIDS) at German Command and Staff College in Hamburg.

He represented Pakistan in Indo-Pacific seminars and workshops as well as attend the graduation ceremony of German Command and Staff Course 2022.

Pertinent to mention that this is the first ever annual seminar by GIDS with Pakistani Defence Attaché as panelist in Indo-Pacific Seminar.





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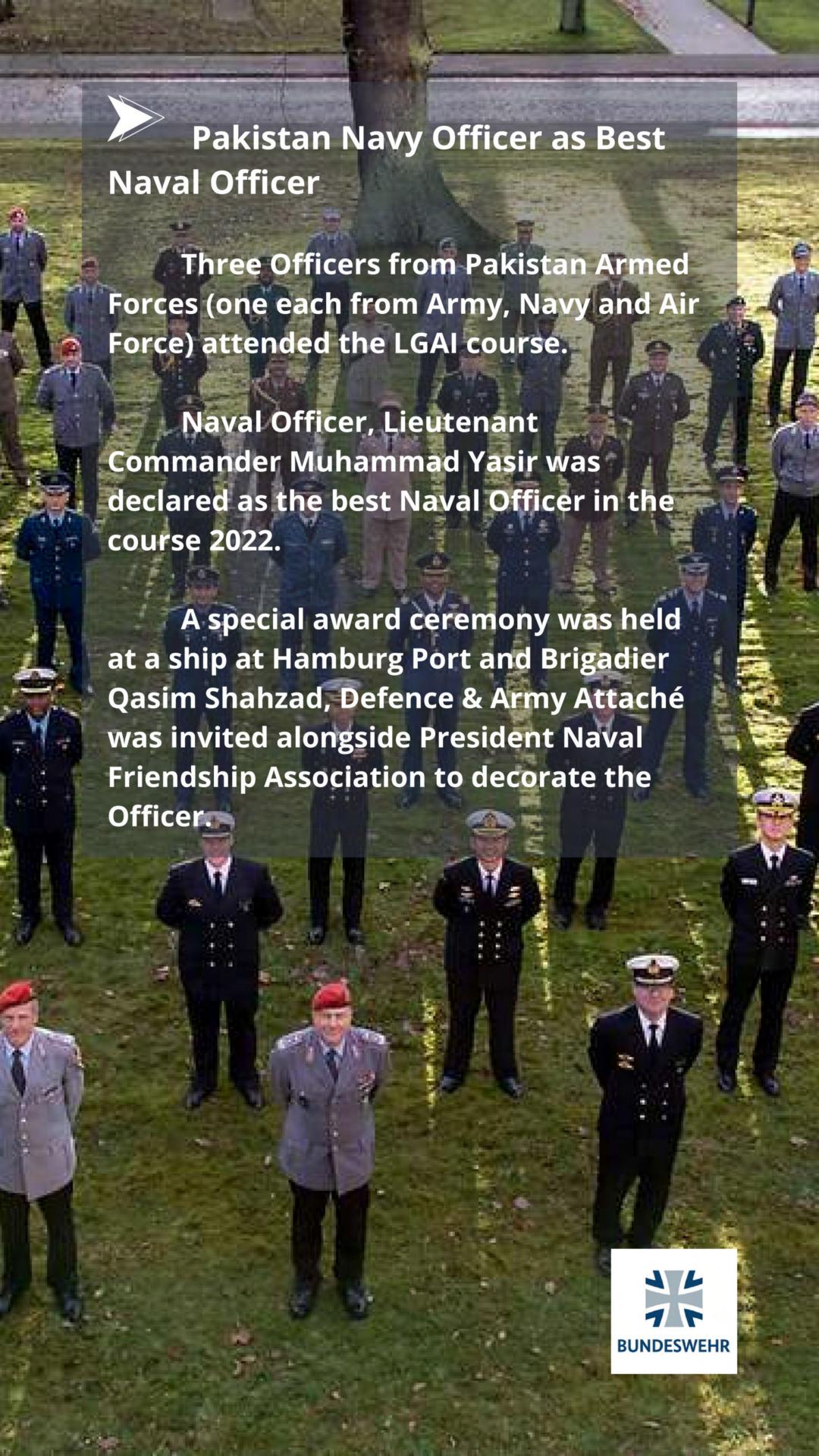
This was taken very well by the course participants and highly acknowledged by Commandant German Command & Staff College.

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27 - 30 November 2022 - The Chief of the Naval Staff officially visited Germany.

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The Chief of the Naval Staff, Admiral Muhammad Amjad Khan Niazi, NI (M), officially visited Germany on the invitation of German Naval Chief, Vice-Admiral Jan C. Kaack (Inspector of the German Navy).

The visit of CNS was conducted after a gap of six years. German Naval Chief accompanied the guest throughout the visit.









One to One Talks

One to One talks between both the Chiefs were held in MoD.

Matters of mutual interest and bilateral cooperation between the two navies were discussed in the meeting.





Delegation Level Talks

Delegation level talks were held in MoD, attended by both the dignitaries along with their staffs.

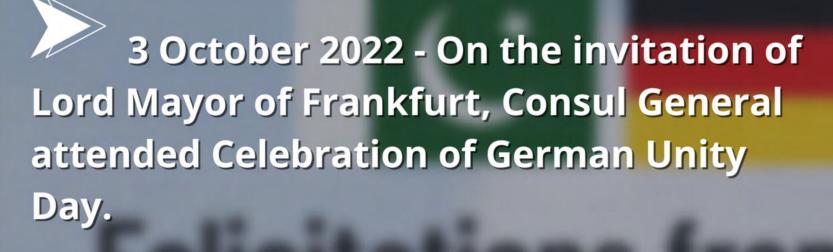
An outlook of German Navy along with future projection and its roles especially in Indo-Pacific region was presented by the German side.

Queries raised by German side were addressed by Pakistan Navy delegation.















19 October 2022 - Consul General had a meeting with a delegation from All Pakistan Paper Merchant Association (APPMA) at the Consulate General of Pakistan in Frankfurt.



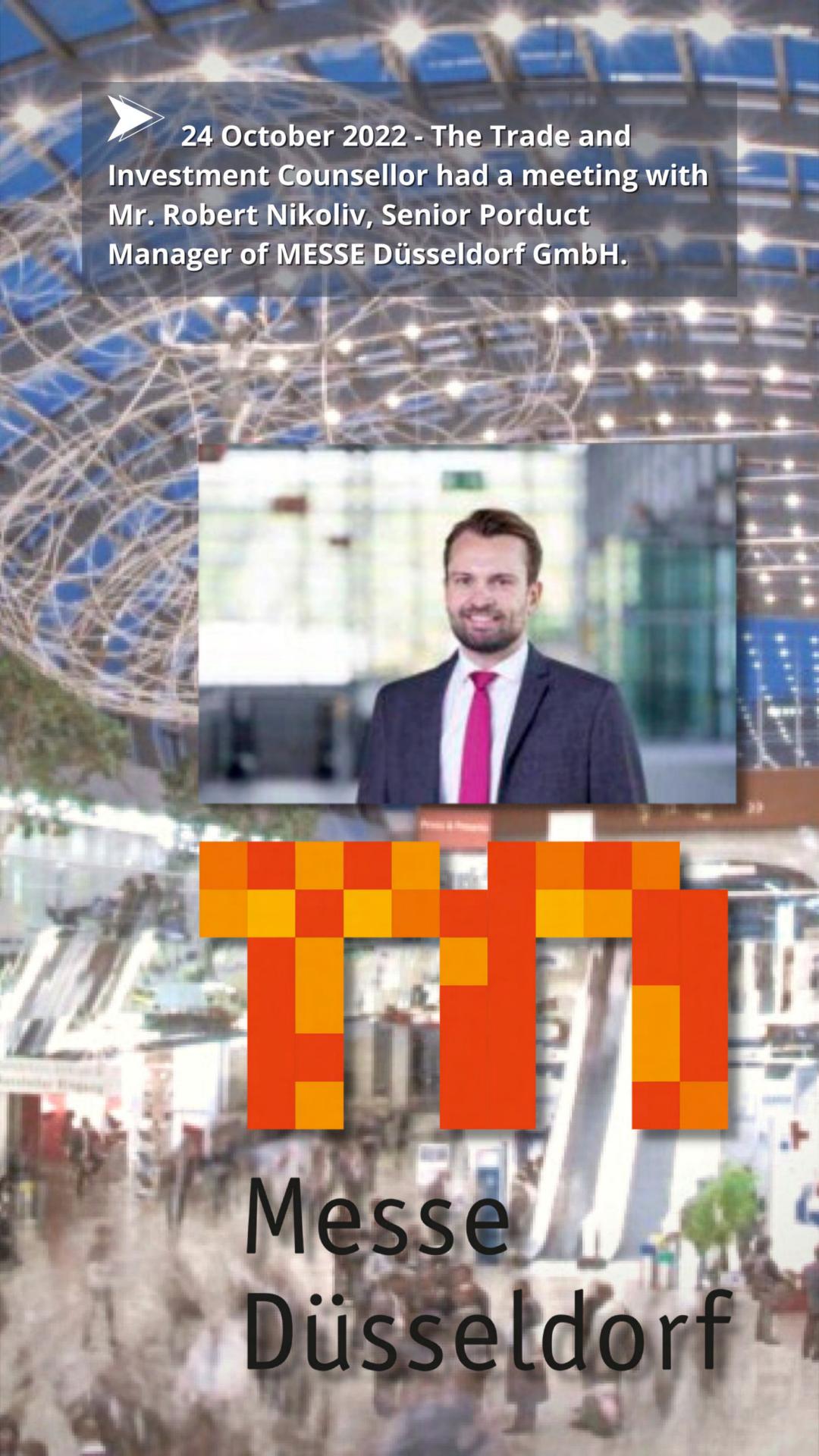






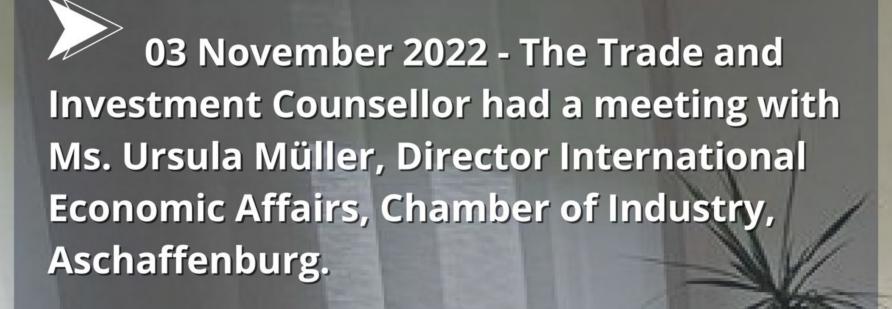
Investment Counsellor (Frankfurt) had a meeting with Felix Neugart, Chief Executive Director of NRW Global Business GmbH, the foreign trade promotion agency of the State of NRW and discussed possibilities for more intensive business relations between Pakistan and NRW and promotion for upcoming fairs.











Mutual interests in IT sector and logistics were discussed. Dual vocational training possibilities between Germany and Pakistan and upcoming TEXPO 2023 were also discussed.





The Consul General along with HOC and Trade and Investment Counsellor attended the event.





28-30 November 2022 - International Trade Fair for Sporting Goods and Sports Fashion, ISPO was held in Munich.

30 Pakistani companies participated under the patronage of TDAP.

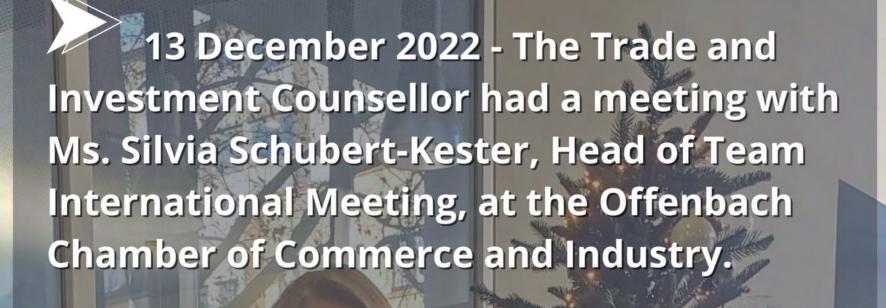












Detailed discussion was held on collaboration with the Chamber on issues like trade promotion, setting up of a Pakistan day event, networking with potential businesses in their domain.

Brief presentation was given on the upcoming trade expos in Pakistan like TEXPO, Engineering and Healthcare Show, Food Ag, etc. She was also given a presentation on the trade potential of Pakistan and major commodities.





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