



Stadt Hildesheim

Dear students, dear friends of the Sister Cities cooperation between Minia and Hildesheim, dear readers:

The autumn and winter Schools 2021 are wonderful examples of the existing friendly contacts between Minia and Hildesheim. Although the circumstances were still difficult in the midst of the pandemic, the visits continued. It was a great pleasure to be able to meet in person again.

I would like to thank the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) for their financial support of this exchange. In addition, I would like to extend special personal thanks to the organisers Prof. Dr. Regine Schulz, Prof. Hussein M. A. Ibrahim, Dr. Sven Kielau, Dr. Helmut Brandl, and Margot Rathenow.

Personal encounters form the core of the Sister Cities connection between the Egyptian city and province of Minia with the city of Hildesheim, which exists since 1979, as well as between the Minia University, and Hildesheim's important institutions the Roemer- und Pelizeaus-Museum and the HAWK (University of Applied Sciences and Arts).

Cultural cooperation with the help of these institutions has always been the main topic of our Sister Cities relationship, especially through many wonderful exhibitions and scientific pro-

jects in the Roemer- and Pelizeaus-Museum in Hildesheim and the student exchanges of the HAWK.

The cooperation between the University in Minia and the HAWK in Hildesheim is an essential pillar of the partnership between Minia and Hildesheim. It also ensures the cultural exchange between Egypt and Hildesheim. Many thanks in particular to the presidents of the two universities, Prof. Dr. Mostafa Abdel Nabi and Dr. Marc Hudý.

I am proud that our partnership has always been characterised by personal interaction and friendship, and I am happy that the schools will continue in 2022.

With best regards from Hildesheim

Dr. Ingo Meyer

Lord Mayor of Hildesheim