



## Short information about ISWI

### *Who are we?*

The "Initiative Solidarische Welt Ilmenau e.V.", established in 1993, is an incorporated society led by students. We set ourselves the goal to fight against social inequality and racism as well as intolerance and to promote mutual understanding. That is why the "International Student Week in Ilmenau" takes place every two years since 1993.

Approximately 350 participants from over 70 different countries took part in the last ISWI.

### *What is ISWI?*

The "International Student Week in Ilmenau" (ISWI) is a conference for students organized by students. It is, compared to other similar events, known for its large share in work concerning its topic. Each ISWI is held under a main topic, which is deeply analyzed by working groups, discussions, as well as speeches and debates during the student week.

### *ISWI 2009*

The ISWI 2009 under the motto "Right now!" is dedicated to the topic Human Rights. It is taking place during the 8<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of May 2009.

We invite students from all over the world to discuss the different aspects of human rights. Problems shall be shown and possible solutions will be worked out.

### *The groups*

We have divided the main topic into subgroups, dealing with a special part of the topic. Here is an outline of the planned groups:

1. Philosophy group
2. The Human Rights Charter: past – present – future
3. Basic needs of humans
  - 3.1 Food and nutrition
  - 3.2 Education
  - 3.3 Medical care
4. Same rights for everyone
  - 4.1 Human rights and children
  - 4.2 Poverty and social justice
  - 4.3 Equal rights
  - 4.4 Generation contracts and conflicts
5. Human rights - regions of tension
  - 5.1 Human rights and politics
  - 5.2 Human rights and the economy
  - 5.3 Human rights and science
  - 5.4 Human rights and environment
- 5.5 Geopolitical aspects of human rights: culture – borders – globalization
- 5.6 Human rights and justice
- 5.7 Freedom and security
- 5.8 Human rights and media
6. Human rights and religion
7. Human rights and art
  - 7.1 Literature
  - 7.2 Music
  - 7.3 Theatre
  - 7.4 Design
  - 7.5 Photography
  - 7.6 Movie
8. Documentation group