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Minister of State for Culture and the Media Wolfram Weimer at the Humboldt Forum: A Focal Point in German History

To mark the completion of reconstruction and building work at the Humboldt Forum, Minister of State for Culture and the Media Wolfram Weimer paid a visit to the site today. During his tour he learned about the building and its activities, for which Stiftung Humboldt Forum im Berliner Schloss is responsible.

Wolfram Weimer, Minister of State for Culture and the Media: “The completion of the historic facade concludes the partial reconstruction of the Berlin Palace. This has been the right step to take, and an important one too, because the site has been a focal point of German history over the centuries. I would like to thank not only Stiftung Humboldt Forum im Berliner Schloss but also Förderverein Berliner Schloss e.V., without whose help this would have never been possible. The construction and discovery phase is to be followed by a new and exciting chapter for the Humboldt Forum, for it is now time to work on the details and set out what it will stand for in the future.”

Hartmut Dorgerloh, General Director and Chairman of Stiftung Humboldt Forum im Berliner Schloss: “Construction is now complete, and in the four years since its opening the Humboldt Forum has become a true magnet for the public; from this point onward we will be focussing on further development of its programme. Here in the centre of the German capital we are negotiating the key themes of our era and enabling new forms of access and fresh ways of looking at the collections in our museum and the history of the site. Perspectives change as a result of connections and collaboration. So we are delighted to have the support of the Minister of State in expanding spaces that facilitate culture.”

Completion of the Humboldt Forum building

The installation of the nineteen Baroque-style balustrade figures on the north and south facades by the end of June 2025 brings construction to an end at the Humboldt Forum. Stiftung Humboldt Forum im Berliner Schloss wants to mark this occasion by focussing

attention on the building itself and invites you to come along to a colloquium and special theme day with lectures, special tours, and discussions on 27 and 28 June. Experts will offer insights into the building's complex technologies, address questions about sustainability, and provide access to areas that are usually not open to the public.

One building, four partners: This diversity is founded on the collaboration of our partner institutions. The Humboldt Forum is a collaboration between the Stiftung Humboldt Forum im Berliner Schloss; the Stiftung Preussischer Kulturbesitz for collections from the Ethnologisches Museum and the Museum für Asiatische Kunst of the Staatliche Museen zu Berlin; the Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin for the Humboldt Lab; and the Stadtmuseum Berlin for the BERLIN GLOBAL exhibition.

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