

Candidate Statement

Name: Daniel Hoever-Eckardt

Chapter: Heidelberg

Position: Chair

Gender: Male



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My name is Daniel Hoever-Eckardt, 35 years old and I was born in Germany to a European mother and an American father. I've been a member of the Heidelberg Chapter of Democrats Abroad Germany since 2016. I've served as the Mannheim Precinct Captain since 2018 and Chapter Vice Chair of the Heidelberg Chapter since 2019.

During the past two years, the Heidelberg Chapter has been very active and continued to grow. At the end of February 2019, we hosted the Annual General Meeting (AGM) for Germany, which was a big success because so many members pitched in to help! In summer of 2019 we also celebrated the 25th anniversary of the Chapter at our traditional Independence Day BBQ.

Despite the Covid-19 crisis, the last year has also been an active one for the Chapter. We hosted two polling places for the Global Presidential Primaries at the Heidelberg Center of American Studies and at the Zeitstromhaus, kindergarten of the former US military installation Benjamin-Franklin-Village in Mannheim.

We successfully continued our regular monthly meetings online and also had meetings with the groups in Karlsruhe, Mannheim and the Mannheim reading club.

Finally, our efforts to get out the vote contributed to the election of Joe Biden to the Presidency and Kamala Harris to the Vice Presidency of the US in November.

We have an amazing and super active group of volunteers whom I look forward to working closely with, using modern work tools. With my experience of the last years within DA as Vice Chair, I will be able to get to work immediately.

Therefore, I would like to ask for the honor of serving as your Chapter Chairperson, starting in February 2021.