

The German-Arab Friendship Society (DAFG) is pleased to invite you to a lecture in the framework of the **DAFG series on the global financial crisis**

with **Mr. Matthias Wietbrock**,
Senior Vice President at KfW IPEX-Bank GmbH

"Financing of exports and investments in MENA"

on

Thursday, February 25th, 2009

at 7 p.m.

at the DAFG branch office
(Friedrichstr. 185, 10117 Berlin, U2/U6 Stadtmitte)

Matthias Wietbrock is a Senior Vice President at KfW IPEX-Bank GmbH. Mr. Wietbrock has fifteen years of experience in financing large scale industrial projects, both as a banker as well as on the contractor's side. He started in banking with Commerzbank AG and later worked several years as a product specialist at KfW bank arranging export and project finance transactions for global clients. He moved on to Hong Kong where he joined Siemens Financial Services to work as a financial advisor mainly for infrastructure projects of Siemens AG in Asia-Pacific. After his return to Germany he started the petrochemical sector group in KfW Group of Banks commercial division, KfW IPEX-Bank GmbH. Today, he is in charge of the bank's financial products advisory teams and for building out the trade and commodity finance business. Mr. Wietbrock holds a German Master's degree in banking and finance.

In his lecture Mr. Wietbrock will address the following issues:
Introduction of KfW IPEX-Bank, products of export and project finance, impacts of the financial crisis on the GCC-region and current status, current trends in financing structures, prevailing projects.

Please contact Ms Susanne Weiß (susanne.weiss@dafg.eu, fax: 030-20648889) by **Friday, February 19th, 2009** to let us know if you are planning to attend this meeting. Please note that the common language will be English.

Best regards,



Bruno Kaiser,
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