

## SOCIAL EVENTS

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2007**

### 1) Excursion to the Rheingau Winegrowing Area

The Rheingau is one of the smallest German wine-growing-areas – but an outstanding one! This is due to the fact that all the valleys face southwards. Here you can breathe the air of culture, the Romans were the first to settle along the Rhine and in Medieval times many castles and monasteries were built. Your first stop will be at Vollrads Castle and this will be your first opportunity on this day to taste a typical Rheingau Riesling. Next stop will be Castle Johannisberg, which is one of the most famous residences in Germany. It is located on the 50° latitude, which is the northern frontier of wine-growing in Germany. From Johannisberg the tour will take you to the famous German monument called the "Germania" which is located on the Ruedesheim mountains. This is a very historical area and the beginning of the world heritage Middle Rhine-Valley. This is where the period of Rhine Romantic started

which produced hundreds of legends about the castles, the Rhinegold, etc. Do you want to hear some of those stories? From the monument you will take a hiking-tour through the vineyards to the famous little town of Ruedesheim. In the afternoon the bus will take you to Eberbach Monastery, an old Cistercian Monastery of the 12<sup>th</sup> Century. This is where the inside shooting of the film "The name of the Rose" with Sean Connery was made in 1986. It is an impressive location – don't forget to bring your camera!



Meeting time: 9:30 h at the DECHEMA House  
(end of the tour approx. 17:00 h)

Departure/Arrival: DECHEMA e.V., Theodor-Heuss-Allee 25,  
60486 Frankfurt am Main

Charge per person: 59 € (incl. bus transfer, guided tour, entrances,  
picnic lunch with water and wine, VAT)  
Registration necessary!

For more information concerning the Rheingau Winegrowing Area  
please visit [www.regionalpark-rheingau.de](http://www.regionalpark-rheingau.de)