

Cultural comparison Germany China 德国中国的风俗习惯对比

Facts

	China 中国	Germany 德国
Population 人口	1.373.541.278	82.175.684
Capital 首都	Peking 北京	Berlin 柏林
Polity 政体	People's republic	Federal republic
Founding date 成立日	1 October 1949	23 May 1949
President 总统	Xi Jinping	Frank Walter Steinmeier
Currency 货币	Renminbi 人民币	Euro 欧元



Guanxi versus rational thinking 关系 vs. 理性思维

The „guanxi“ is a Chinese business tradition and means a personal network which is based on personal relationships. This network is used a whole life in a trustful collaboration. In contrast to this, Western business culture is only characterized by benefits.

Direct versus indirect speech 直接 vs. 间接

In the German and western culture it is common to speak directly about problems. In China this is a No-Go. If you have a problem with someone or anything you paraphrase it e.g. by a joke.

Political system 政治系统

The political system in China is based on a one party system. The Chinese communist party is the organization which makes all important decisions. Furthermore in China there is no participation and the people accept it. Politics is not a topic in the everyday live. On the other hand Germany is a democracy according to the western model. In Germany there is a big choice between a lot of parties' possible and politics is a very important theme in the everyday life.



Fun Facts 趣事

- In China every meal is a hot meal, in Germany only the lunch.
- Chinese people love German milk.
- Germans eat 8,4 kilogram chocolate every year, Chinese only 0,2.
- Chinese people love travelling; Germans always sit and watch TV.
- Germans drink 104 liter beer per year, Chinese only 32.

