

**Potentialities for academic cooperation  
between  
Iranian and German Scholars  
In  
Humanities and social sciences**

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*Wilhelm v. Humboldt*

*22.6.1767 – 8.4.1835*

“Idea of the University”

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# The main achievements of higher-education system of Iran in Humanities and Social Sciences:

**More than 50% of students, professors and in Iran are studying and teaching in the field of humanities and social sciences**

55% of research and scientific Journals are publishing in the various field of Human Sciences

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- More than 80% of the book market in Iran appertained to humanities and social sciences.
  - Most of the books are translated from western writers, thinkers and philosophers, specially German philosophers
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Some of important  
German thinkers in  
Iranian academic  
programs and debates:

### Philosophy:

Kant

Hegel

Heidegger

Husserl

Gadamer

### Sociology:

Max Weber

Karl Marx

Max  
Horkheimer

Ralf  
Dahrendorf

George  
Simmel

Jurgen  
Habermas

### Psychology:

Sigmund  
Freud

Hebert  
Simon

Erich From

Karen  
Horney

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# Common thought

# International Academic Cooperation in Iran

“The first student exchange program in 1811”



## The Capacities of Iran's higher-education system, particularly in the field of human sciences :

- The geo-cultural capacities

(cultural diversity, linguistic diversity, religious diversity, climatic diversity, racial diversity),

- long experience in the field of higher education,

- the special geo-political state,

- inexpensive higher education,

A huge motivation for study and inquiry in social science and humanity

In developed societies, *humanities* enjoy a “**capital credit**”, while in less developed societies, this science is often described as a series of subjective and conceptual sciences having “**expenditure credit**”. In Iran, Humanities and social sciences are the base of our social change and program of development.

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# Iran is investing in these fields:

Management  
and business  
schools

Finance  
departments

Future studies

Communication  
studies

Law  
departments

Tourism studies

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Cultural sciences enjoy a **capital credit and civilization-making nature.**

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## **Critical humanities and social sciences:**

- plurality in hypothesizing,
- continuity in questioning,
- thinking in idea-formation

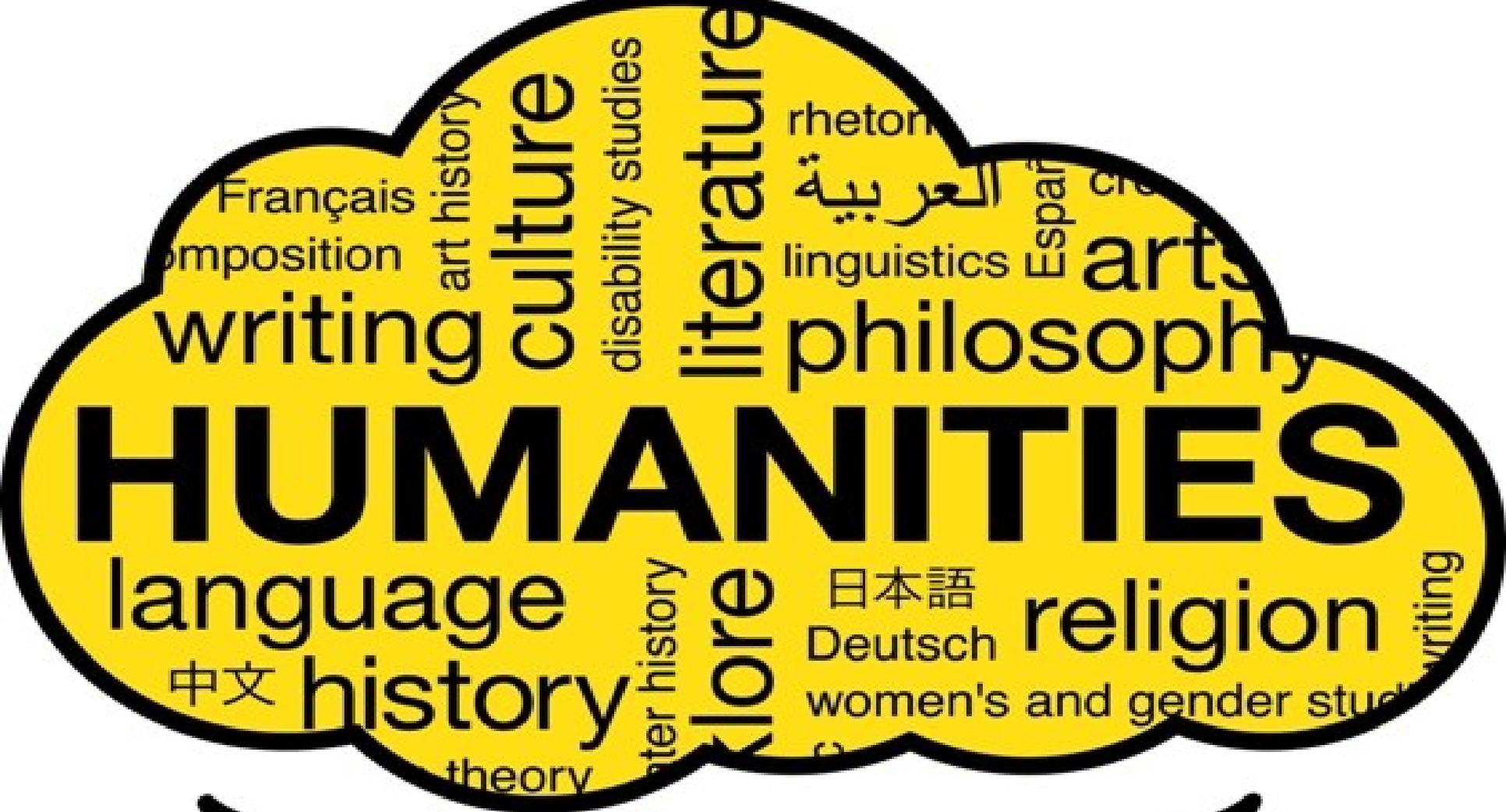
(for the purpose of choosing right orientations, and  
improvement of the society)

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There is a dialectical relationship between the level of development of “humanities and social sciences” and “national development”.

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**Iran-Germany  
Association of Humanities and  
Social Sciences Studies**

**OUR MAIN SUGGESTION**

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## **Joint DIES-Seminar of German Rectors' Conference (HRK) and Allameh Tabataba'i University (ATU):**

**International Academic Cooperation in Humanities and Social Sciences: Enhancing Internationalisation and Managing Partnerships between Universities in Germany and Iran**

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## Challenges:

- Requiring practical and targeted policies
  - Lack of joint degree programs
  - Need for more joint research
  - Difficulties in terms of executive problems
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**“education”** (first generation),

**“research”** (second generation),

**“entrepreneurship and wealth creation”**  
(third generation),

**“new professional model”** (fourth  
generation).

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The central mission of the fourth generation of Iranian and German universities is **managing the future change** and **leading its immediate ecosystem** by using communication tools and international collaborations.

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