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January 17, 2015:
Two Workshops Sponsored by Pearson (followed by AGM)
Speaker: Rob Dean
Time: 2-5:30pm
Venue: EBC Hochschule, Olgastraße 86, 70180 Stuttgart

Session 1: Technical English - Technically Speaking... (... and listening, reading and writing...) Easy to prepare, student-centred, multi-skilled, highly versatile... do these describe the sort of classroom activities you like? If so, come and join us for a selection of highly practical ways of adding a bit of variety and enjoyment to your Technical English course.

Session 2: Things to do with the Back of the Book After the last unit of the book there are inevitably those pages containing the grammar reference, writing bank, irregular verb tables and other such material that to many students (and teachers!) often appear as a boring, mysterious and under-used black hole. These pages however contain reams of valuable material just waiting to be exploited. This highly practical session will therefore look at ways

of putting the back of the book to good use with a selection of easy to prepare interactive activities – many of which were most likely never intended by the course book author!

Rob Dean
Rob has been involved in ELT as a teacher, director of studies and teacher trainer since 1994. During this time, he has taught a wide variety of ages and levels in numerous countries in Europe and South East Asia, and is currently based in Poland. Rob has taught a wide variety of course types, from primary to adult, including exam preparation, EAP and English for business and professional purposes. He has numerous interest areas within the world of ELT, including teaching young learners, teaching with technology, language and culture and task-based learning. Rob now works as an independent international teacher trainer and academic consultant, and travels widely delivering talks, workshops and seminars – as well as online webinars – to teachers all over the world. Over the years, Rob has covered a wide range of topic areas including methodology, language, practical teaching ideas, classroom management, motivation of learn-

ers and blended learning to name but a few.

Note: AGM begins right after the workshops

March 21, 2015:
Red Tape Workshop
Speaker: John Sydes
Time: 2-5:30pm
Venue: EBC Hochschule, Olgastraße 86, 70180 Stuttgart

The workshop will cover topics that most freelance teachers need to know about from when you have to start charging VAT on your invoices to compulsory pension contributions and what you can do if a school or company doesn't pay your bill on time.

- Compulsory contributions
- Being a pseudo employee (Scheinselbstständigkeit) (Scheinselbstständigkeit)
- Invoicing
- Expenses
- Flat rates
- So called 'special' expenses
- Income Tax
- Charging VAT (Mehrwertsteuer)
- Putting a contract together
- Dealing with late bills/unpaid invoices

John Sydes
John has worked as a freelance teacher in Germany for longer than he likes to remember. He moderates a forum for EFL teachers in Germany www.tefl-germany.de and has provided many EFL teachers working or thinking of working in Germany with advice and information. He is an active member of his local English Language Teachers Association in Munich. When he isn't teaching or checking out red tape, he writes his own materials and has written several EFL course and work books for OUP, Macmillan and Pearson.

May 9, 2015:
Persuasion and Networking Workshop Sponsored by Klett
Speaker: Adele Greaney
Time: 10-1:30pm
Venue: Treffpunkt Klett, Rotebühlstraße 77, 70178 Stuttgart

Persuasion and Networking: helping students to express themselves to achieve their business objectives. When teaching Business English, we spend a lot of effort on building up our students' abilities to express themselves confidently and accurately. However, students working in business have needs which go beyond this. A large part

of business communication, both spoken and written, is devoted to persuasion: persuading clients to buy products or services, to accept your price, accept certain terms; persuading colleagues or managers to adopt your decisions, to listen to your suggestions and opinions. In this way, successful persuasion and networking is essential in achieving business objectives. This workshop covers activities we can do in the classroom to develop our students' powers of persuasion in English when speaking and when writing.

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