



Nurture – Challenge – Inspire

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(From left to right): Sibille Vinzens (Rotary Club Munich International President), Stephanie Olescher (Interact Club Augsburg President), Tanvi Padhye (Interact Club Munich International President) and Marina Bassilious (Rotaract Club Munich International President) at the recent Inauguration evening at MIS  
(Photo Credit: Hans Geesmann)

## Munich International School student Tanvi Padhye establishes ‘Interact’ Rotary youth club

Munich International School (MIS) student Tanvi Padhye, Grade 12, has spearheaded the creation of the *Interact Club Munich International* (ICMI), which will be offered to MIS students cooperatively with the School’s curricular community service programme. The *Interact* parent organization, *Rotary International*, is a global network which inspires individuals to take responsibility in the community to meet current challenges with sustainable solutions.

Tanvi Padhye is currently in her final year of *International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP)* studies at MIS. In addition to her role as ICMI President, she is also involved in the MIS Speech & Debate team, theatre and choir while simultaneously studying Higher Level biology, chemistry and German literature. She plans to pursue a career in medicine upon graduating from MIS in spring 2018.

Tanvi Padhye was first inspired to get involved with community service and fundraising as a third grader after a visit to a school in India. More recently during her IBDP studies, she realized the need for youth exchange within the community and worked with her father – a long-standing member of *Rotary International* – as well as local *Rotary* club members and the MIS senior leadership team to establish an *Interact* club for local Munich youth. ICMI will build on the existence of the MIS *Bottle Cap Project* which was initiated by Tanvi’s younger sister Aarya Padhye two school years ago when she was in Grade 3. Aarya is currently a Grade 5 student at MIS and will remain involved with ICMI after her sister’s graduation.

The inauguration of ICMI recently took place at MIS. Notable speakers of the evening included *Rotary Club Munich International (RCMI)* President Sibille Vinzens, *Rotaract Munich International (RMI)* President Marina Bassilious, MIS Head of School Timothy Thomas, Rotarian member and current ICMI advisor Anant Padhye who is also the father of Tanvi Padhye, and former RCMI President Thomas Eilfort and former District Governor Peter Wohlrab, who have played key roles in providing Rotary’s support for the launch of ICMI.

The aim of the ICMI is to develop early leadership skills through service, creative and active projects. Students will also have the opportunity to meet with experts from a range of industries including sports, business and the arts to receive career guidance and mentorship. All initiatives will be planned and led by student members, working closely under the mentorship of RCMI and RMI members.

“I hope that as *Interact Club Munich International* we can especially encourage the creative side of people, and bring that more into our community, but also of course encourage the enthusiasm for service and charity that is in the heart of the *Rotary* organization”, commented Tanvi Padhye. “I hope that in the future this club can continue motivating and interesting more young people like me, and help build leadership and teamwork skills, as well as a joy for helping others”.

Munich International School has been pioneering international education and community service since 1966 and celebrated 50 years of motivating and inspiring students in 2016. Authorised for the IB Diploma Programme in 1980, MIS possesses decades of experience as a mature, highly successful IB World School. Aside from the IB Diploma Programme, MIS was among the first schools to achieve authorisation for the IB Middle Years Programme (MYP) and the IB Primary Years Programme (PYP) in 1998. MIS intentionally designs and delivers curriculum to bring forward essential learnings and experiences for all 1250+ students, ages four through 18, who comprise 65 nationalities.

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*Munich International School nurtures, challenges and inspires our students to become academically successful, life-long learners, creative and innovative thinkers, ethical, globally-minded contributors, and healthy, well-balanced individuals who will thrive and make a positive impact in a complex and changing world.*

*Munich International School is not just another international school. Visitors see it immediately when they step onto our parkland campus. Students feel it every day through their inspiring interactions with our world-class faculty. Munich International School leverages unparalleled expertise in delivering renowned international curricula within a caring, innovative and healthy environment. We are proud of our 50 years of success at cultivating academic achievement, physical and emotional well-being and the ethical and social competencies necessary for students' success and happiness in a rapidly changing world.*

*Founded in 1966, Munich International School is an independent, non-profit IB World School (IBO) that has been authorised by the International Baccalaureate (IB) since 1980. We are officially recognised by the Bavarian ministry of education and fully accredited by the Council of International Schools (CIS) and the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). Easily accessible from Munich, the School takes full advantage of its 26-acre campus in an idyllic nature preserve near Starnberg to provide students with high-quality educational experiences both within well-equipped classrooms, laboratories and performing arts spaces and in our exceptional outdoor facilities.*

*MIS is a community school where more than 1250+ students comprising 65 nationalities learn together on a single, purpose-built campus. Munich International School promotes excellence in learning and in individual student growth and development. We recruit the most caring, competent and committed teachers and staff from more than two dozen countries. These educators create a vibrant, diverse, student-centred programme of learning, supported by superior facilities and resources, like our:*

- performing arts centre (PAC)*
- new design and technology suite*
- 1-to-1 laptop programme (Apple MacBooks)*
- Olympic-sized 8-lane track-and-field complex*
- triple gymnasium with adjacent dance and fitness studios*
- two student libraries (primary and secondary)*
- new modern languages complex*
- differentiated outdoor play spaces for early childhood and primary years.*

*Students at Munich International School routinely gain admission to the world's elite universities. Our excellent academic programmes are embedded, however, in a holistic, values-based curriculum that provides support and appropriate challenge for every child.*

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