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electronic versions of parlia-
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Indexing parliamentary materials available to the public by name and subject

- Descriptive cataloguing, subject indexing, and summarising of public materials of the German Bundestag and the Bundesrat (plenary debates, bills, motions, interpellations, reports, etc.) since 1949
- Précising the stages in the deliberation process of each parliamentary item

DIP Parliamentary Material Information System (16th electoral term onwards)

- Information on parliamentary deliberations since 2005 (from the start of the 16th electoral term)
- Thematic search for a wide range of parliamentary materials
- Search for parliamentary activities undertaken by Members of the German Bundestag, Members of the Bundesrat, and by the Federal Government

- Electronic access to full versions of printed papers and minutes of plenary proceedings
- Integration of the previously independent information system on federal legislation (GESTA/GESTA.online)

DIP Parliamentary Material Information System (8th–15th electoral term)

- Information on parliamentary deliberations from the 8th to the 15th electoral term (1976–2005)
- Thematic search for a wide range of parliamentary materials
- Search for parliamentary activities undertaken by Members of the German Bundestag, Members of the Bundesrat, and by the Federal Government

Subject and Speakers' Indexes

- Printed indexes of German Bundestag and Bundesrat

proceedings for the years 1949–1976 (1st–7th electoral term)

- All indexes from the year following 1976 are generated from the DIP Parliamentary Material Information System

Full electronic versions of parliamentary materials

- The full electronic version of printed papers and minutes of plenary proceedings from the 7th electoral term onwards are available as PDF files on a document server
- From the 16th electoral term onwards, the full electronic versions are offered as part of the new DIP Parliamentary Material Information System (16th electoral term onwards), with its own search interface

Public information service

- Answers individual enquiries about all parliamentary proceedings and materials since 1949 either by tele-

phone or in writing (details of individual materials, status of deliberations, particularly for bills)

- Answers individual enquiries about speeches and other parliamentary activities undertaken by Members of the German Bundestag, Members of the Bundesrat, and by the Federal Government
- Provides a compilation of statistics on parliamentary materials and Members' activities

Parthes Thesaurus for Parliamentary Materials

- Developing and maintaining the Bund-Laender Thesaurus for Parliamentary Materials
- Basis for subject indexing in the DIP Parliamentary Material Information System

Seminars

- Introduction to searching the DIP databases for internal users