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## GERMAN BAND GOLF ON SOUTHEAST ASIA TOUR 2015



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### Goethe-Institut brings German electro pop to Philippine partner schools

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During the last two weeks, the German electro pop band Golf toured through Southeast Asia by invitation of the Goethe-Institut, with stops in Hanoi, Danang, Hue, Ho Chi Minh City and Manila.

All the four young band members, Jonathan, André, Wolfgang and Nils, were in the Philippines for the very first time and it was a unique and exciting experience to showcase their music to a completely new audience. And likewise for all the German learners of the Goethe-Institut partner schools and the initiative *Schools: Partners for the Future*, it was an unforgettable experience to listen to and learn German as a foreign language in a totally different context. All in all, around 1000 pupils from the New Era High School, San Francisco High School, Novaliches High School, Rizal High School, San Juan National High School, Pasay City West High School, Jose Abad Santos National High School, Bangkal High School, German European School Manila and Liceo de Cagayan University attended the free shows in Manila.



From Wednesday, November 4 to Friday, November 6 the up-and-coming band from Cologne played three concerts at the Music Museum, Elements at Centris and Palacio de Maynila. Cheering and screaming students danced and swayed to songs like *Ping Pong* or *Coconut*, singles that capture Golf's distinct way of fusing electro, pop and house. After each concert, the band took its time to take plenty of selfies and sign autographs for their giddy new fans. According to the band's own statement, all members were overwhelmed by the excitement and enthusiasm, especially in Manila. Furthermore, the musicians agreed that it would have been lovely to spend more time in the Philippines to get to know the Filipino culture and music scene better – Maybe next time!

Besides the concerts, cultural exchange was enhanced by musical workshops about songwriting and recording within the schools themselves.

For more information, please visit [www.goethe.de/manila](http://www.goethe.de/manila) or follow the Goethe-Institut's Facebook page, [FB.com/GoetheInstitut.Philippinen](https://www.facebook.com/GoetheInstitut.Philippinen).

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