Invitation to a Media Conference
Wednesday, 12 April 2017, 11 a.m.

IRAN
Ancient culture between water and desert
13 April to 20 August 2017

The exhibition with some 400 objects draws the veil from the long hidden treasures of the early Iranian civilisations that flourished between the seventh millennium BC and the rise of the Achaemenids in the first millennium BC.

From the snow-capped peaks of the Alborz and Zagros mountain ranges to the blazing heat of the Loot Desert, Iran is a country of contrasts. But those forbidding deserts and mountain ranges shelter fertile valleys that have been inhabited by people ever since sedentism. These valleys were the cradle of the Iranian civilisations, which culminated in the rise of the Achaemenid Empire.

The exhibition opens a window onto a country that has been inaccessible for decades and whose imagery is little known in Europe. The treasures from the graves of two Elamite princesses and the spectacular finds from the burial grounds of Jiroft are shown outside Iran for the first time.

In partnership with the National Museum of Iran and the Iranian Cultural Heritage, Handicrafts and Tourism Organization

THE PERSIAN GARDEN
The Invention of Paradise
Opening with the exhibition, a Persian garden on the piazza in front of the museum beckons visitors to linger and enjoy its pleasures.

We cordially invite you to a media conference on Wednesday, 12 April 2017, 11 a.m. The exhibitions open at 10 a.m.

Participants:
- Rein Wolfs, Director of the Bundeskunsthalle
- Dr. Mohammad Hassan Talebian, Deputy of Iran’s Cultural Heritage, Handicrafts and Tourism Organization
- Prof. Dr. Barbara Helwing, Curator of the exhibition
- Susanne Annen, Exhibition Manager, Bundeskunsthalle
- Sven Bergmann, Press Officer of the Bundeskunsthalle

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We look forward to seeing you.

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2 June to 24 September 2017

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*Early modern artist*
8 September 2017 to 28 January 2018

**WEATHER REPORT**
*About weather culture and climate science*
7 October 2017 to 4 March 2018

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*Nazi Art Theft and its Consequences*
3 November 2017 to 11 March 2018

**FEDERAL PRIZE FOR ART STUDENTS**
10 November 2017 to 28 January 2018