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Obama vs. Romney in Wiesbaden

Journalist Marschall von Bieberstein gave lecture on US Presidential campaign

German journalist Dr. Christoph Freiherr Marschall von Bieberstein gave a lecture on the US presidential campaign recently in Wiesbaden. The event was organized by the Association of employers' associations in the State Hesse and supported by the George Marshall Society and other partners.

The journalist is reporting with the Berlin „Tagesspiegel“ newspaper in Washington DC for seven years. In June 2011 President Obama gave him an interview as the first German journalist after taking office. Currently Marschall von Bieberstein is the only German member in the White House Press Corps.

According to the journalist, facing decreasing popularity over the years, President Obama can only hope for re-election if the voters accept him as the „minor evil“ in comparison to Mitt Romney. In recent weeks the campaigns on both sides have turned into a mud battle. However, many facets of the campaign look different from an American and a German point of view. Furthermore, US campaigns are generally more driven by basic ideological contrast than those in German, e. g. from an US point of view all major German parties are basically socialdemocratic.