TEAM ALKMAAR

TU Delft Introduction Week, Winter 2013
WHO ARE WE?
WHY?

- We are all gathered in Delft from abroad: can be quite isolating and uncomfortable at times to be a foreigner
- **Reduce language and cultural barriers** between international students and Dutch people
HOW?

- App focus: “How to get Dutch people to like you”
- Brainstorming process:
Introducing…

GETTING "TU" THE DUTCH

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WORDS SECTION
WORDS SECTION: PHRASES

Welcome = Welkom = vel-kom
Hello = Hallo = Hah-luh
Goodbye = Tot straks = toht strahks
Nfgd Foodfg: Good phonetic thanks
Fhmv dgdrtty: It is more like vvel-kom with a hard V
Goosf Pnakd: Welcome is less formal, for formal it is better to use “Toodsfa”

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WORDS SECTION: PLACES
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You
(as seen by the Dutch)
MANNERS SECTION

What the Dutch think about you

The Germans...
...are blonde and have short hair!
...eat bratwurst and sauerkraut!
...wear lederhosen and Dirndl outfits.
...are all called “Herrmann”.
...take up lots of space at the beaches 😂

What you should expect

On Dutch Culture
- The Netherlands (especially Delft) is diverse and multicultural
- Dutch people are known for being direct and for speaking their mind freely
- The Dutch often don’t use “please” when asking for something in English without intending to be rude

Did you know?
- The Dutch have their own sense of humor: dark ironic, sarcastic and sometimes rude
- There are regional languages, like Neder- saksisch in the North and East 🇳🇱

History and Info

Did you know, that...
...Utrecht, Nijmegen and Maastricht were founded by the Romans?
...the Netherlands gained their independence from the Spanish Empire in 1648 after 80 years of war? 🇳🇱
...during the "Hongerwinter", 22,000 people died of hunger in the German-occupied part of the Netherlands?

What NOT to say and do

In general
- “Fries with mayo? Blergh!”
- "Cows say MOO, not BOE!"
- Walk on bicycle lanes

As a German
- “That 1974 FIFA world cup final was awesome!” 🏆
- Dig holes in the sand at the beach

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FUTURE PROSPECTS

- We hope that this app can unite the **TU Delft international student body** while helping them **integrate into Dutch culture** and make Dutch friends!
Thank you for your time!

ANY QUESTIONS?