

Marriage contract Nr. 350: Braunschweig-Calenberg-Göttingen - Hessen

- **Date of contract conclusion:** 1539-08-08
- **Place of contract conclusion:** s. l.

Groom

- **Name:** Erich (II.) von Braunschweig-Calenberg-Göttingen
- **GND:** [119098652](#)
- **Year of Birth:** 1528
- **Year of Death:** 1584
- **Dynasty:** Welfen (Braunschweig-Calenberg-Göttingen)
- **Confession:** katholisch

Bride

- **Name:** Anna von Hessen
- **GND:** [132515393](#)
- **Year of Birth:** 1529
- **Year of Death:** 1591
- **Dynasty:** Hessen
- **Confession:** lutherisch

Actors for Groom

- **Name:** Erich I. von Braunschweig-Calenberg-Göttingen
- **GND:** [116562498](#)
- **Dynasty:** Welfen (Braunschweig-Calenberg-Göttingen)
- **Relationship:** Vater

Actors for Bride

- **Name:** Philipp I. von Hessen
- **GND:** [11859382X](#)
- **Dynasty:** Hessen
- **Relationship:** Vater

Braunschweig-Calenberg-Göttingen

1539-08-08

Contract content

The fathers of the bride and groom have agreed to amend the contract concluded on 11 November 1529 between Erich (II) and Agnes of Hesse to the effect that Erich (II) shall now marry Agnes' younger sister Anna instead of Agnes; reason: Agnes is older than Erich (II), whereas Anna is the same age

The fathers attest that the marriage now planned shall remain in all respects in accordance with the provisions of the marriage contract of 1529; the change of bride shall not alter the content of the contract

The fathers' councillors shall meet to discuss and determine the dowry, morning gift and everything else pertaining thereto

However, should the bride's father come to the conclusion that his daughter Agnes should marry the groom after all, he shall notify this within one year by letter and seal in accordance with the provisions of the contract of 1529

If he does not respond within one year, Anna shall marry the groom on the same terms as Agnes would have done

In all other respects, the contract of 1529 shall remain in force.

Signed by Erich I and Philipp; sealed.

Ratifications, confirmations, approvals

Signed by Erich I and Philipp; sealed.

Text reference to past events

Marriage contract of 11 November 1529

Further contracts between contracting parties

Contract between Erich I and Philipp's mother dated 14 February 1519 (Regesten der Landgrafen von Hessen, Nr. 13312); Marriage contract dated 11 November 1529 (No. 394 in this database)

Commentary

The marriage did not take place.

After the death of his father, the groom's mother tried to persuade him to convert to Lutheranism, but in 1547 he finally decided to remain Catholic.

Literature

References

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- **Contract language archive copy:** German
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