

Youth in a discussion: Secular values in Europe

The umbrella organisation of free philosophy of life communities (DFW) is organizing in cooperation with the European Humanist Federation (EHF) an European Conference from 6th till 8th November 2009 in the youth and education centre Klingberg, Scharbeutz. The debates will circle around a continuing discussion on secular humanist values, the development and education of values in an united Europe and the participation of youth in the development of value orientation in the 21st century.

This conference is part of a conference series of the last years and aims to bring youngsters from EHF member organisations and other interested people together.

Europe is based on many cultural and traditional varieties. The future ability of value conceptions cannot be conducted out of a godlike authority or one single culture or tradition, but belong to an century lasting fight related to enlightenment and humanism against already existing and authoritarian state system. Values are symbols of poor people rights against the powerful and of each individual against potential oppressors. They have grown out of the knowledge, that European people should never suffer again from tyranny and are one reason for the establishment of human rights, summarized in the UN human rights declaration of 10th December 1948.

The development of an European citizenship can be proved on a tolerance and non-discrimination based peace system.

The dignity and autonomy of each human individual and its most possible freedom are realized through democracy, constitutional state systems, a global citizenship and human rights and can be seen as a guarantee of the European value conscience.

With this youth conference we want to invite young people to strengthen their opinions about secular values while discussing possibilities and realisations in common ways. These discussions should at least lead to an integrate education of human rights and to a strict neutrality of each state in questions of religion and other orientations. The education monopoly of religious communities in case of values separates and jeopardizes integration with respect to an European Citizenship.

Main points will be discussed and prepared in workshops and working rounds through young participants. Following is planned:

1. **Discriminations of young people** based on their non-religious philosophy of life (N.N., Poland)
2. **Integrative value education** in schools for a global citizenship and human rights (N.N., Norway or Belgium)
3. How to realize **value orientation** with youth and cultural work of humanist organisations? (Silvana Uhlrich, HFB and IHEYO)

4. Preparation of **secular humanist values** in the fields of public work and journalism (Marie Prott, HFB)

5. How can we reach an **ideological self-determination** and political majority for young Europeans? (N.N., BFGD or BDuJ)

6. **Claims of secular ethics** for young Europeans (N.N., UK)

There are plans for a cultural event, informal talks and fun activities on Friday and Saturday evening.

All interested people are most welcome.

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Conference site and accommodation

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Registration

z. Hd. Astrid Steinbach
above address
or info@bildung-klingberg.de

Not later than 15.10.2009

Conference fee 40,00 €

Food and Accommodation

3-4-bed room	75,00 €
Double room	90,00 €
Single room	100,00 €

Number of single rooms is limited.
Special wishes with respect to accommodation and/or
vegetarian food to be announced.
Cancellation after the 7-th day prior to conference requests
50 % of total costs.

Please pay by Transfer Order

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How to reach Klingberg:

Klingberg is located 20 km north of Lübeck at the railway
connection Hamburg / Copenhagen and is part of the
community of Scharbeutz.
Autobahn A1 Exit Pansdorf, direction Klingberg, white
signs show the way to the Bildungsstätte.
Railway station Scharbeutz is 3 km away from Klingberg/
Bildungsstätte. Taxis available. Pick up service possible
after arrangement.
Airports in the vicinity are Lübeck or Hamburg. Hamburg
is served from nearly all Airlines in Europe. Lübeck is
served for instance by Ryanair directly from London
Stansted or Stockholm.

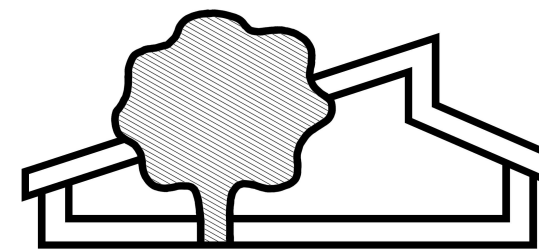
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