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What Can YOU Do Against Right-Wing Extremism?

If you witness right-wing harassment or violence, offer help to the victim, if it is safe to do so. Challenge people who make racist or anti-semitic remarks and jokes. Join a local initiative against right wing extremism. Spread the word in your school, in your church or sports club. Donate money.

Every Little Donation Helps!

Donations for the Amadeu Antonio Foundation are tax deductible. Up to an amount of 50 € you can use the deposit slip as a receipt for your tax declaration. For higher amounts the Foundation will send you a donation receipt. In that case, please indicate your address on your remittance.

Support from Abroad: In its effort to promote a democratic civil society in the former East Germany the Amadeu Antonio Foundation also asks for international cooperation and partnerships. Right wing extremism has become a growing problem in many parts of Europe. We need the exchange and cooperation with activists and foundations in other European countries and in the US, whose experiences can be of great value to us.



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What We Stand For

Since 1999 the Amadeu Antonio Foundation has been working in numerous ways to strengthen a democratic civil society in order to resist right wing extremism. Over the last decade a youth culture of right wing extremism has developed particularly in the Eastern part of Germany. Neo-Nazi and other right wing organisations with racist and anti-Semitic propaganda enjoy ongoing popularity. Their message is embedded in a culture of supposedly »apolitical« music, comics and video games that celebrates the »superiority of the German race« and glorifies violence against minorities. This culture has permeated schools, pubs, soccer stadiums, discotheques and other public places. Many teachers and parents are indifferent at best or implicitly approve of their children's actions and rhetoric. The Amadeu Antonio Foundation supports local projects and initiatives, which stand up against anti-Semitism and racism and stand for a democratic society and the protection of minority rights. The Foundation provides financial support, training and workshops to help these initiatives to grow, to mobilise and to network.



Still Swimming Against The Tide

Contrary to reports in the media right wing extremism in Germany has not abated. In many regions in the Eastern part of the country, but also in a growing number of towns in the Western part, right wing violence is an omnipresent threat for everyone who is of non-German ethnic origin. Neo-Nazis and other right wing gangs have designed numerous areas as »no-go zones« for immigrants, Jews, gays, handicapped and homeless people or for those who demonstrate their affiliation to an alternative youth culture. Wearing a Hip-Hop outfit or listening to rap music can be hazardous to your health in certain neighbourhoods. Since its inception the Amadeu Antonio Foundation has been able to support a growing movement of democratic grass-roots initiatives. These initiatives are essential to challenge the dominant right wing culture in many towns and communities. However, these grass roots groups do not only face potential harassment from right wing organisations. On many levels government authorities still deny the seriousness of the problem. In recent years and months many projects have suffered severe funding cuts by the government.



Support Of Projects

As mentioned above the Amadeu Antonio Foundation provides money, training and networking opportunities for a variety of projects: legal aid organisations for victims of right wing violence; watch dog groups to prevent police abuse against immigrants; training workshops for teachers; events such as music concerts and theatre performances; cooperation programmes between ethnic German teenagers and young immigrants. Moreover, the Amadeu Antonio Foundation supports »EXIT«, a unique project for members of right-wing organisations, who want to drop out. Continuous support also goes to the »Zentrum Demokratische Kultur («Centre for Democratic Culture»), which observes and analyses new trends and strategies among right wing organisations and develops counter strategies.

The Foundation keeps its funding process as simple as possible. Further details can be found on its website (www.amadeu-antonio-stiftung.de).

History Of The Foundation

The Foundation was named after Amadeu Antonio Kiowa, a black contract worker from Angola, who was beaten to death by skinheads in a small town in Brandenburg in 1990. He was one of the first fatalities of a surge of racist violence right after the fall of the Berlin Wall.



The Amadeu Antonio Foundation is under the auspices of Mr. Wolfgang Thierse, president of the German parliament, the Bundestag. Anetta Kahane is the chairwoman of the board.

Our Partners

The work of the Amadeu Antonio Foundation would be inconceivable without the support and encouragement by its partners, friends and donors. The Freudenberg Foundation has been one of our first partners. The magazine »stern« has helped to create publicity with its campaign »Mut gegen rechte Gewalt« («Courage against Right-Wing Violence«).

With my donation I want to support the work of the Amadeu Antonio Foundation:

- I am going to support the work of the Amadeu Antonio Foundation with a donation of€
- I am going to transfer the donation to the account of the Amadeu Antonio Foundation, Deutsche Bank Bensheim, BLZ 509 700 04, Konto 030331300 (for international transfer see the details on the flyer)
- I am going to support the foundation with a standing order of€ (monthly).
- This amount can be debited from my account at (date).
- I am going to support the foundation with a single donation of€.
- This amount can be debited from my account:

I grant a deposit authorisation for the Amadeu Antonio Foundation for a single donation/standing order:

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I am interested in further information.

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