



Diakonie 
Württemberg

Platz für ASYL in EUROPA

The Campaign of the „Diakonisches Werk Württemberg“

For the European election and the World Refugee Day 2019

With the campaign „Platz für ASYL in EUROPA“ (make way for asylum in Europe) the Diakonisches Werk Württemberg shows: The right to asylum has its place in Europe!

An installation with as many chairs as possible shows, that in this country and in Europe there is enough space for people who flee war, prosecution and hardship. With the idea of the medieval „Betzinger Asylstuhl“ (Asylum Chair of Betzingen – Betzingen is part of the city Reutlingen) we take up a historical tradition of Württemberg and set an example today.

Every „Asylum Chair“ shows, how great the commitment for asylum is in society. There are many who do not agree with the policy of compartmentalization and ostracism.

- Every „Asylum Chair“ shows, that people are ready to include foreigners. There are many who dedicate themselves for a life in which people live together in diversity, who are ready to share not only their neighborhood and living quarters but also their every day life and time and resources.

As Christians we advocate for refugee protection and an open and democratic community. Foreigners are the main focus when it comes to the protection provision of God, in which we see Jesus Christ present himself.

Take Part! The campaign „**Platz für ASYL in EUROPA**“ thrives on the fact, that as many chairs as possible will be assembled, no matter how you design your Asylum Chair and if you design it on your own or work in a group. Your Asylum Chair will be part of a large installation of chairs, which will be constructed in a central place in Stuttgart. The first milestone are 400 chairs already promised from various places in Württemberg to be made by November 30th 2018, every additional chair will enlarge the effect of the campaign!

The campaign is laid out for a period of time from now until June 2019. Important dates are the European election on May 26th and the World Refugee Day on June 20th 2019.

For the opening of the installation on May 15th in Stuttgart we invited representatives of politic, church and society, e.g. candidates for the European election. In time for the World Refugee Day on June 20th the chairs will be transported back to their point of origin and there can be linked to regional activities in parishes, communes, in culture and politics.

You can find more detailed information on the campaign „Platz für ASYL in EUROPA“ and on the possibilities of participation at www.diakonie-wuerttemberg.de/kampagne-asyl

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