

Ethical Guidelines and Conditions of Participation for the DBSH World Social Work Week 2023

As part of their preparations, the organizers of the DBSH's World Social Work Week, hereafter referred to as "the organizers", give themselves as well as their events the following ethical rules and guidelines for the organization and participation in events within World Social Work Week.

The organizers are guided in their organizational and moderatorial actions in preparation of the WSWD events as well as at the events by the professional ethical principles of the DBSH as set forth in the DBSH professional ethics as published in 2014.

This includes,

- Naming and opposing negative discrimination and institutional and structural oppression,
- recognizing differences,
- Respecting and accepting diversity,
- Rejecting injustice in social work, political practices and political and professional expressions,
- the equitable distribution of resources and the creation of equal access conditions
- solidarity in general behaviour and work; and to
- act in accordance with the ethical principles of the IFSW and IASSW.

(DBSH German Professional Association for Social Work, 2014:, Professional Ethics of the DBSH, pp. 29 - 31).

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Likewise, the organizers are directly guided by the International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW) definition of social work to act along

- the principles of social justice,
- human rights according to the definition and principles of the United Nations
- shared responsibility and solidarity
- respect for diversity

(IFSW/ DBSH, 2016: o.S.), definition of social work).

Furthermore, the organizers reserve the right to make use of their domiciliary rights and to refuse participation to or exclude from events persons who belong to right-wing extremist organizations, are associated with the right-wing extremist scene or have already been noticed in the past through sexist, racist, nationalist, anti-Semitic or any other form of or other discriminatory statements or expressed themselves accordingly during the event. In doing so, they will be guided by the common definitions of these terms.

All speakers, guests and participants who experience discrimination during the event, in the open forum or in individual contact, may and should approach the organizers or the persons designated by them for this purpose both during and after the event via the usual channels mentioned at the beginning of the event (open or direct chat, telephone, e-mail, etc.).

If a violation of the above-mentioned principles of professional, solidaric and ethical behavior or a violation of existing laws of the Federal Republic of Germany is recognized or brought to the attention of the organizers, speakers, guests or participants, the organizers reserve the right, after appropriate notices and warnings as well as after internal, democratic consultation and/or voting, to deny individual persons participation in the event or to exclude them from the event.

All participants and guests can approach the organizers with concerns both during and after the event.

Sources as base for this guideline:

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