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Invitation

20 years after Pinochet's arrest: The past and present of transnational justice

Wednesday 17 October 2018, 4:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Berliner Abgeordnetenhaus, Niederkirchnerstr. 5, 10117 Berlin

Berlin's past and present reveal several links to severe human rights violations, as well as to efforts to address past atrocities. The International Military Tribunal, which went on to prosecute Nazi crimes in Nuremberg, sat in Berlin on 18 October 1945. In Berlin on 17 October 1998, survivors of Augusto Pinochet's dictatorship celebrated after Pinochet was arrested in London. And in the same year, Berlin-based lawyers, politicians and members of the civil society strove for the establishment of the International Criminal Court.

On the occasion of the anniversaries of these diverse historical events, the parliamentary groups of [Die Linke](#) and [Bündnis 90/Die Grünen](#) in the Berlin House of Representatives together with the European Center for Constitutional and Human Rights ([ECCHR](#)) and the Forschungs- und Dokumentationszentrum Chile-Lateinamerika e.V. (Centre for Research and Documentation Chile-Latin America, [FDCL](#)) will host an event.

Survivors, activists and lawyers from Chile and Germany will discuss how transnational justice can succeed and what still remains to be done.

Panelists include **Sebastian Schlüsselburg**, [spokesperson for legal policy](#), parliamentary group of Die Linke in the Berlin House of Representatives; **Antje Kapek**, [chairwoman](#) of Bündnis 90/Die Grünen parliamentary group in the Berlin House of Representatives; **Naomi Roht-Arriaza**, professor of law, University of California, and author of [The Pinochet Effect: Transnational Justice in the Age of Human Rights](#); **Angela Mudukuti**, [International Criminal Justice Lawyer](#), [Wayamo Foundation](#) (Berlin); **Winfried Hempel**, lawyer and former resident of Colonia Dignidad; **Petra Schlagenhauf**, lawyer, and **Wolfgang Kaleck**, [General Secretary of ECCHR](#).

*The event will be held in German and English. There will be simultaneous interpreting.
The whole event can be followed via livestream.*

Please [register via our website](#) until 15 October 2018.

Program

4:30-4:50 p.m.

Welcoming speeches:

Antje Kapek, chairwoman of Bündnis 90/Die Grünen parliamentary group in the Berlin House of Representatives

Sebastian Schlüsselburg, spokesperson for legal policy, parliamentary group of Die Linke in the Berlin House of Representatives

4:50-6:00 p.m.

Discussion:

Colonia Dignidad – Prosecution of perpetrators in Chile and Germany to date

The German Federal Public Prosecutor has had the power to prosecute war crimes since 2002. Serious human rights violations (including torture, murder or enforced disappearance) committed before 2002, e.g. during the military dictatorships in Chile or Argentina, fall under the remit of a regular public prosecutor, such as the Chief Public Prosecutor in Berlin. It is still possible that perpetrators of such crimes go undetected in Germany or that, as in the case of Colonia Dignidad, many survivors and perpetrators are German. This panel will discuss the responsibility of public prosecutors and legal authorities in Berlin and the other German federal states to contribute to transnational justice efforts.

Panelists:

Winfried Hempel, lawyer and former resident of Colonia Dignidad, Santiago, Chile

Petra Schlagenhauf, [FDCL](#), lawyer, Berlin

Jan Stehle, [FDCL](#), researcher on Colonia Dignidad und and German foreign policy, Berlin

Andreas Schüller, [ECCHR](#), Berlin

Moderator: **Ute Löhning**, journalist (e.g. Deutschlandfunk)

6:00-6:30 p.m.

Break

6:30-8:30 p.m.

Discussion: Universal Jurisdiction - 20 years from Pinochet to Syria

On 18 October 1945, the Allied War Crimes Trials opened at the *Kammergericht* in Berlin before further trials took place in Nuremberg. Taking up this historic moment in Berlin's prosecution of grave human rights violations, the panel will discuss how transnational legal actions can contribute to shedding light on systemic state injustice.

Panelists:

Naomi Roht-Arriaza, professor, University of California, Hastings College of the Law
Angela Mudukuti, International Criminal Justice Lawyer, Wayamo Foundation, Berlin
Wolfgang Kaleck, ECCHR, lawyer, Berlin

Moderator: **Lena Kampf**, [journalist](#) (Süddeutsche Zeitung, WDR)

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