

**A call for a march in support of the revolution of “women, life, freedom”
Germany – Cologne**

For 43 years, the Islamic Republic of Iran has been exploiting the people in various ways. The people have been denied their basic rights, rights such as the right to a free and happy life. In a repressive and discriminatory structure founded by the Iranian regime, women, national minorities (such as, Balochs, Arabs, Kurds, Turks, etc.), the working class, sexual and religious minorities, have all faced double oppression. They have been marginalized. This patriarchal regime has oppressed women from the very first days of its establishment. It institutionalized many unequal principles in its constitution against women, such as compulsory hijab imposed on them based on law and the constitution. At the same time, the pluralistic national, religious, and linguistic structure of Iranian society has been targeted for political repression and cultural transformation. The destruction of the right to life by this regime has been accompanied by the spread of poverty, inequality, and environmental destruction.

But in all these dark years of oppression and repression, both in the houses and in the streets, schools and factories, the diligent people have continued their resistance. The nationwide anger that was triggered by the murder of a Kurdish woman, Jina Amini, at the hand of the Iranian so-called “morality-police” on September 16, 2022 united the people's discontinuous resistance under the umbrella of the ‘women, life, freedom’ revolution. As we speak, this revolutionary movement enters into fourth month. It has become the basis for reclaiming the right to freedom and life for everyone. The revolution of ‘women, life, freedom’, which started in Kurdistan, became a widespread nation-wide movement. Most of the people regardless of their nationality, class, gender, age, and even political view, have joined this movement to say "no" to this bloodthirsty government. Under the slogan of ‘woman, life, freedom’, they are united. Of course, this ongoing revolutionary movement has been very costly for the people so far. Based on some sources, more than 500 people have lost their lives. The Iranian regime has responded with brutality to this movement. The protestors faced intense repressions, arrests, imprisonments, tortures, and executions, and it has been made possible by paying a lot of costs, including the loss of hundreds of dear lives.

In order to support and show solidarity with the revolution of ‘women, life, freedom’ inside Iran, the resistance of Kurdistan and Baluchistan, and to raise the voice of all freedom-seekers against the Islamic Republic of Iran, we as **“The joint cooperation of the left, democratic, and libertarian forces in supporting the revolution of ‘women, life, freedom’ /Germany-Cologne,”** with the leading role of women and the egalitarian and democratic forces of Kurdistan and Iran, as well as the democratic forces of Europe and especially Germany, we will hold a public rally and march on January 28, 2023 in the city of Cologne. Therefore, we invite all who seek freedom to participate in this march with their symbols and colours so that it becomes an effective action in supporting the revolution of ‘women, life, freedom’ in Kurdistan and Iran.

Time - place: January 28, 2023, 1-5 pm / Cologne, route from Neumarkt Square

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