

Activity of Gunda Werner Institute, Heinrich Boell Foundation

Aims and objectives

The Heinrich Böll Foundation is part of the Green political movement that has developed worldwide as a response to the traditional politics of socialism, liberalism, and conservatism. Our main tenets are ecology and sustainability, democracy and human rights, self-determination and justice. We place a particular emphasis on gender democracy, meaning social emancipation and equal rights for women and men. We are also committed to equal rights for cultural and ethnic minorities and to the social and political participation of immigrants. Finally, we promote non-violence and proactive peace policies. The Gunda Werner Institute (GWI) within the Heinrich Böll Foundation is a unique place where gender-political issues and debate on feminism, masculinity and men's politics and gender democracy are cultivated. The GWI aims among other things to: proactively politicise gender issues, critically reflect on feminist and gender democratic approaches, encourage and support networking, facilitate discourse between academia, politics and civil society, actively build gender competence through consultancy.

Creator/owner/responsible institution

Name: Gunda Werner Institute, Heinrich Boell Foundation

Stakeholder: Civil society organisation

Area of intervention: Men and gender equality

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Activities

- <http://www.gwi-boell.de/web/denkraeume-forum-maenner-1166.html>
- <http://www.gwi-boell.de/web/fit-for-gender-mainstreaming.html>
- In Germany, GWI cooperates with the "Men's Forum: Gender Relations in Theory and Practice". This is a nationwide network of men engaged in men's and gender studies, in male education and consultancy, as well as in (men's) politics. In its capacity as a coordination centre, GWI provides the Forum organisational, financial and conceptual assistance.

Conferences

Twice yearly we organise conferences on different topics like "Men and health", "Men invite: gender dialogues", "Men and work", "Boys, the strong weak?", "Men in precarious circumstances" or "Fathers and work life balance". Conference documentation is published as booklet and/or web-dossier.

Materials

- <http://www.gwi-boell.de/web/index.html>
- <http://www.gwi-boell.de/web/publikationen.html>
- <http://www.gwi-boell.de/web/maennerpolitiken.html>
- <http://www.gwi-boell.de/web/gender-toolbox.html>

Metadata

ONGOING: No

TYPE: Publication, Network, Policy / Legislation

TARGET GROUP: Men and Women/young men and young women, Older men (60 +), Adult men

KEYWORDS: [men and gender equality](#)