



Lower Saxony Initiative against Berufsverbote

“Forgotten” History – BERUFVERBOTE – Political Repression in the Bonn Republic

The exhibition about Berufsverbote depicts, in detail, the so-called “Radikalenerlass” with its particularly domestic political consequences and long-term impact. The “Radikalenerlass” is part of German history, a history characterised by repression against left-wing opposition, from the “Kaiserreich” (German Empire), the Weimar Republic and the Nazi dictatorship through to the Bonn Republic. Similarly, parallel to this, the domestic secret service was being continually developed– e.g. the so-called Verfassungsschutz (Protection of the Constitution) -, which, through spying on authorities, provided in each case the basis for criminalisation, persecution and then also later the Berufsverbote, which is referred to critically in the exhibition.

The exhibition aims to inform people – above all the younger generation – about the so-called “Radikalenerlass” and prevent this disreputable chapter of German Federal post-war history from being forgotten. It aims to encourage a debate in our society about basic and human rights, for example freedom of opinion and, in relation to this and very topical, the role and use of domestic secret services.

Exhibition rental

From October 2016

Extent of the exhibition

20 boards in 77.8 x 110 cm format, colour printed onto 3mm hard plastic;
2 suspension eyes on the back of the boards.

One or two big rooms are needed to present the boards.

Can be hung on walls or movable walls;

for movable walls, special rails for hanging the boards are available on request.

Shipping / costs

Free to borrow the exhibition (donations are gladly welcome).

Transport costs to and fro must be paid for; shipping should be organised by yourself and costs up to €150 depending on distance.

The boards are sent in a transport box, which is 117x 99.5 x 24.5 cm. It weighs approximately 50kg and has handles and wheels.

They can also be transported privately – if possible – in a large car.

Accompanying material

- Exhibition brochure, also available separately in bookshops for €3; ISBN: 978-3-930726-25-7
- Poster with title board (see above), in A5 format

Brochures and/or posters can be ordered through us on request.

We, the designers of the exhibition, offer to come to each location to present the concept of the exhibition and lead people through it, if desired.

Contact details for further inquiries, consultations for appointments and other queries

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