

YOUTH IN EUROPE  
OFFENBURG  
TALKS “ ”



# #2

NATIONALISM, POPULISM  
& FAR-RIGHT IDEOLOGIES  
AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE  
– THE ROLE OF YOUTH WORK

## PROGRAMME

2019

**TIME** 2nd – 3rd September 2019

**VENUE** ZUM SALMEN  
Lange Str. 54 · 77652 Offenburg

- 10h00 Arrival, registration, informal gathering
- 10h30 Welcome session **Introduction to YOUTH IN EUROPE Offenburg Talks #2**  
Claudius Siebel and Hanjo Schild, organizing team
- Welcome address**  
Marco Steffens, Mayor of the City of Offenburg
- Introduction to the programme and introduction round of participants**  
Darko Markovic, facilitator
- 11h15 First session **“Verlorene Mitte - Feindselige Zustände” (“Lost centre – hostile conditions”)**  
Beate Küpper, “Anti-far-right extremism Project”,  
Friedrich-Ebert-Foundation/Hochschule Niederrhein
- 12h45 Lunch buffet
- 14h00 Second session **“Why populism is neither left nor right but anti-pluralist..... and how the failures of liberals have pathed the way for populism”**  
Sven Gerst, International Federation of Liberal Youth (IFLRY),  
Germany
- 15h00 Third session **“Anti-Immigration and Anti-Muslim Prejudices: the Case of Matteo Salvini and Lega’s Election Campaign 2018 in Italy”**  
Federico Pozzoni, Italy
- 16h00 Coffee & tea
- 16h30 Fourth session **“Are Trolls winning the Meme Wars? The spread of radical extremism in the online and offline worlds. Case studies from popular culture”**  
Carmine Rodi Falanga, Cooperativa Sociale Muovimente, Italy
- 17h30 Fifth session **Prevention of youth radicalization and promoting democracy: European soft measures examples analysis**  
Alena Ignatovitch, National Institute for Higher Education, Belarus
- 18h30 Summary of first day
- 19h00 End of first day
- 20h00 Dinner at Hotel-Restaurant Zauberflöte



- 09h00 Sixth session      **“Eastern Europe and far-right among youth – prerequisites, manifestations, consequences. Where youth work fails”**  
Stefan Georgiev, Freelance group-dynamic trainer & facilitator, Sociologist, Bulgaria
- 10h00 Seventh session    **“Youth worker’s perception of extreme behaviour” – results of the project “Providing Perspectives – Preventing Violence”**  
Manfred Zentner, Donau-Universität Krems, Department Migration and Globalisation, Austria
- 11h00 Coffee & tea
- 11h30 Eighth session     **“Populism and the role of youth work” – results of a study,**  
Moncho Ramón Martínez, Democracy and Human Rights Education in Europe Network (DARE), Spain
- 12h30 Buffet lunch
- 13h45 Summing up and conclusions on the role of youth work  
Ajsa Hadzibegovic, Podgorica, Montenegro  
Guy Redig, Vrije Universiteit Brussels, Belgium  
Lana Pasic, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina  
Howard Williamson, University of South Wales, Cardiff, United Kingdom
- 15h15 Closing and evaluation round  
Claudius Siebel, Hanjo Schild, Darko Markovic
- 15h45 Departure

