Call for Participation for the 10th International Basic Income Week 18 to 24 September 2017

It's enough! For everyone – here and everywhere!

Unconditional Basic Income is unaffordable? Either basic income or a welfare state? – Contrary to these alternative facts and false alternatives we emphasise: There is enough for everyone! We only need to challenge and change the existing distribution of wealth!

We cannot secure social peace by reducing social spending, but only if we share society's wealth with everyone – unconditionally and everywhere. Everyone needs an income – for being able to live and to work. A real Unconditional Basic Income is not a neoliberal austerity measure. The few who currently appropriate natural resources and the wealth created by the paid and unpaid work of earlier and present generations must return at least a share of it

Austerity and tax competition are no natural laws. Therefore: Redistribute wealth – here and everywhere!

We invite activists around the world to contribute to our action week for Unconditional Basic Income (UBI).

The Basic Income Week is a self-organized participatory week. A lot can be done: from spreading the news to organizing your own event. We can help with finding presenters and promoting your event with our shared website http://basicincomeweek.org. Your contribution in form of time, money or ideas is very welcome. Get in touch with your regional or international coordination team.

Contact

International: http://basicincomeweek.org/contact-form

What is Unconditional Basic Income?

As a legal right, UBI is a regular income paid by a political community to all its members from cradle to grave.

Universal: UBI is paid to all, without means test. It is not subject to income, savings or property limits. Every person, irrespective of age, descent, place of residence, profession etc. will be entitled to receive this allocation.

Individual: Everyone has the right to UBI on an individual basis as this is the only way to ensure privacy and to prevent control over other individuals. UBI will be independent of marital status, cohabitation or household configuration, or of the income or property of other household or family members.

Unconditional: As a human right UBI shall not depend on any preconditions, whether an obligation to take paid employment, to demonstrate willingness-to-work, to be involved in community service, or to behave according to any gender roles.

High enough: The amount shall provide for a decent standard of living, which meets society's social and cultural standards in the country concerned. It will prevent material poverty and provide the opportunity to participate in society and to live in dignity.

We emphasize that UBI shall not replace the compensatory welfare state but rather complete and transform it into an emancipatory welfare system.