

Human Rights: Politics, Culture, Education. Current challenges and debates in Central America and Germany

Discussion

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Human rights and human rights education are of vital importance for democratic politics and a democratic culture as they protect human dignity. Also in Germany, we keep facing serious violations of human dignity, above all towards children, refugees as well as social minorities. Central America, and Costa Rica in particular, has been experiencing a long-existing and very active human rights movement which has been proclaiming and demanding the respect of human rights and human dignity in the public and political discourse. This movement is promoted by global and Latin American institutions like the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, the UN University for Peace and the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights, all based in San José, the capital of Costa Rica. A comparison between Germany and Central America shows how concepts of human rights and human rights education are passed on, understood and put to practice.

The Costa Rica Center presents a discussion between the director of the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights, José Thompson, and Mareike Niendorf from the German Institute for Human Rights.

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