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In Berlin, and Around the World

The Beletage, the Heinrich Böll Foundation's presentations, and exhibitions.

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Academic Scholarships

The Foundation supports students from both Germany and abroad – and that across all academic disciplines. Support includes a stipend, from both Germany and abroad – and that across all natural or applied sciences.

Our Scholarship Programme

Our Scholarship Programme focuses on this topic, with a view to supporting young scientists, who are just about to take up their studies) and post­gradu­
darity, and democracy.

The Friends of the Heinrich Böll Foundation sup­port the Foundation's aims and values. In the spirit

A Space for Debates and Meetings

Here, we aim to interconnect political and scientific dis­

Political Education

Our Political Education activities focus on statements and positions of the Foundation, as well as its range of activities in the field of Education – and particularly the issues of popular education, political consulting, and democracy.

Promoting Young Talent

The Young Talent Programme at the Heinrich Böll Foundation supports young people up to the age of 35 in their efforts to make their own contributions to positive change in Germany and abroad.

Gender Democracy and Feminism

Gender democracy is a key issue for the Heinrich Böll Foundation. With its funding and activities, it is committed to promoting gender equality in all areas.

Friends & Supporters

Supporters and Partners of the Heinrich Böll Foundation are an important part of its work. They provide information and support, as well as financial contributions. The Foundation is committed to transparency in all areas of its work.