

Society, Culture & Politics Group



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Group Goals

- Identify where we see potentials to fix ruptured transatlantic dialogue, to revitalize or invent a new dialogue
- Identify major challenges and political issues within both German and American society, overlaps and differences
- Identify major conflicts in world politics where German-American cooperation could improve relations (work towards reconciliation)
- Identify tangible recommendations for initiatives and programmes addressing the above

Parameters of Recommendation

What (issues and areas)

How (to address)

Time horizon
(short term and/or long term)

Who and where
(agents and spaces)

Macro level (broader civil society)
Micro level (local communities and actors)

Revitalize existing programs and/or create new groups

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#WhatMattersToday

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#NationalIdentities

#TrustDemocracy

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#Resistance

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#DigitalMuseum

#InternationalCampaign

#PrayerCampaigns

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#CivilAmbassadors

#TransatlanticYouthOffice

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#EmpowerCommunities

#ThinkTransnational

Why Transatlantic Relations?

Questions:

What are our current commonalities? Differences?

Do we still want the same things?

Should we look elsewhere for collaboration?

What continues to hold us together?

Do we still need the other to accomplish what we want for ourselves?

#WhatMattersToday

An Annual, Bi-National Cultural Campaign

Players/Demographic Sample:

1,000 students of color, aged 17-23 in the U.S. from varying regional areas

1,000 students of color, aged 17-23 in Germany from varying regional areas

Qualitative & Quantitative Measures:

Surveys, focus groups, written blogs & reflection pieces culminating an annual conference

Incorporating existing groups (using the repository of existing German/US programs, events, initiatives & groups)

Outcomes:

Increased empathy & understanding, identifiable commonalities & differences in both the U.S. & Germany today

Findings published in a platform accessible to the general public

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Identifying current commonalities and differences – increases empathy and helps the German-American partnership move forward in the 21st century

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Many Americans don't even know the concerns, fears, and aspirations of their neighbors – how do we get them invested in Germany? [#WhatMattersToday](#)

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How can Germany connect and/or empathize with the US over major social movements such as [#BLM](#) [#MeToo](#) 🇺🇸 and [#GunControl](#)? [#WhatMattersToday](#)

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#TrustDemocracy



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Foster [#TransatlanticCivilSociety](#) conversations on causes and expressions of distrust in [#Democracy](#). Identify models for meaningful [#PoliticalParticipation](#) and [#DemocraticRepresentation](#).

#Resistance

Establish connections to new societal activists in social movements including but not limited to the [#resistance](#) [#Blacklivesmatter](#) [#Runtowin](#) [#ACLU](#) to target new political activists that may move toward the mainstream political scene. Think [#Longterm](#) and [#Outsidethebox](#).

#InternationalCampaign



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Launch an [#InternationalCampaign](#) that publicizes the currently damaged transatlantic Partnership and the necessity of recovering the relationship in order to awaken the public in both sides, particularly Americans, who do not have acute interests in the issue.

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#DigitalMuseum #PrayerCampaigns



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Create a [#DigitalMuseum](#) that provides accurate, abundant information over the evolution of the transatlantic partnership and its roles in promoting [#peace](#), prosperity, and stability in the international community.



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Launch [#PrayerCampaigns](#) for war-stricken regions such as Syria and Yemen, as well as highly volatile regions such as the Korean Peninsula and Israel/Palestine.

#DiversityInReconciliation

#CivilAmbassadors



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[#Reconciliation](#) is not only a task for do-gooders and elites. We need to approach youngsters from various cultural, ethnic, political and religious backgrounds to make their experiences matter in [#TransatlanticDialogue](#). We need [#DiversityInReconciliation](#)!

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To motivate youngsters become active members of civil society, we have to invest more in [#TeacherEducation](#) and support (future) teachers to act as critical [#CivilAmbassadors](#) for reconciliation.

#TransatlanticYouthOffice



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Existing and new civil society activities for [#TransatlanticDialogue](#) should be institutionalized! We need a [#TransatlanticYouthOffice](#) as platform accessible for everyone in order to create synergies and overcome boundaries.

#ThinkTransnational



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#ThinkTransnational! Communities in both countries share domestic challenges such as **#MinorityRights** and **#SocialJustice** beyond the state. In times of increasing separation, major efforts to reconcile the diverse parts & integrate marginalized communities can become a **#JointEffort**

#EmpowerCommunities



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Yesterday's hiding places are tomorrow's stages: **#EmpowerCommunities** of formerly marginalized groups by storytelling, **#qualifying** civil society actors, increasing **#participation**, revitalizing **#values** and living the principles of **#subsidiarity**.

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Engage in transatlantic conversation on #NationalIdentities in the era of #Globalization, on reality and myths of #migration and their impact on society, on models of #multiculturalism and practices of #integration. Create positive, inclusive stories.

Discussion

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