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What we are and what we do!

We demand the end of exploitation of people by other people. We oppose all forms of domination; we are against racism, sexism, homophobia and antisemitism. We criticize the fact that in our world the interests and needs of people do not count, but the freedom of economies.

We want to get rid of oppression. Therefore we are anti-capitalists, antiracists and feminists. That is why we are Socialists. Socialism means to us equal and free life.

Socialism is not just a sound of the future!

The Falcons are a Federation where children and young people can decide on what we do. We are not linked to any party, but neither we are apolitical! We are a leftist organization that fights for a free society. We want a better world for everyone, but especially for children and teenagers!

We meet regularly in groups and discuss everything, both what annoys us and what makes us happy. Together we plan demonstrations and events, workshops, leisure time activities and trips.

We organize camps, where we try to live in harmony with our ideas of freedom and equality. In our youth clubs, seminar houses and camps we create the space to live our values.

To change the world through education

Our way of doing political work is based on socialist education. Through socialist education we strive to overcome the capitalist society. This means promoting the fight against competition and instead encouraging solidarity between children, adolescents and adults. We educate us and others! We decide what and how we want to learn. Our socialist utopia is the cornerstone of our educational work. Everybody is included in the decision-making and is encouraged to think along and help to shape our movement. We don’t want unquestioned hierarchies, but critically-thinking people!

Socialist education is not just a blueprint for us, but a never-ending process in the fight against domination and oppression. Education means for us not just about acquiring knowledge, but to be there for one another and to learn and to fight together!

Say the dirty word - feminism

The utopia of a real socialist society includes the necessity that all live together in solidarity. We are convinced that feminism is a way to get there. We want that all people count, regardless of their gender. In our society gender—especially being a woman or a girl—is connected to oppression and discrimination. We want to break through the patriarchal structures in which we grow up. This principle of education is what we call co-education.

Co-education means the common education of all genders by all genders, from the perspective of all genders. This approach, which is as old as the Falcons itself, was improved over the years by empowering girls groups, anti-patriarchal work with boys and queer education (against the view that there are only two genders and only heterosexuality).