



Call for contributions for the 15th Ethnosymposium 13th – 16th of June 2019 in Munich

With boundless anticipation we would like to invite you to the 15th Ethno-Symposium in Munich next summer! This three-day event has been organized by students for students since 2004, with annually changing venues in German-speaking countries. Together with you and your contributions we want to realize a creative exchange platform in a relaxed atmosphere. All students of social and cultural anthropology and all others who are interested are welcome. After we have imagined utopias in Hamburg last year, we now dedicate ourselves to the following topic:

RESISTANCE – just doing, but how?!

We would like to discuss some of the following questions: What is resistance? Who resists what and how does that work? How can imagined utopias be realized? When and where is mobilization potential to be found? When does resistance begin, where does it stop - when should it stop? What role does revolution and reform, ethics and the law play? Is resistance an everyday or a ritualized practice – is it passive or active - global, local or glocal? Why and against what do we have to resist and what resistances are we exposed to ourselves? What can anthropology contribute to all this? What questions do you have on this topic?

One of the reasons for our interest in this topic was this year's drastic expansion of police power in the new Bavarian law on police duty *Polizeiaufgabengesetz* (PAG) and the following reactions in civil society. Rarely before young people in Munich had had such a powerful experience of standing up for a common concern, as it was the case with the *noPAG* manifestations, which counted up to 40.000 people in the streets. The unleashed euphoria made everyone hopeful for a change, however, when the law passed anyways, many realized, that their effort had been in vain and were confronted with their powerlessness. Munich is also historically a place of resistance. Here we must name the November revolution which just celebrated its hundredths anniversary, the council republic of Munich and the resistance group during the Nazi Regime *Weißer Rose*, whose nucleus was formed by students of the Ludwig-Maximilians-University of Munich. At the same time Munich has known many negative movements of resistance, such as the failed Hitler-coup in 1923.

What is it that motivates you about the topic of resistance? It is your commitment that will bring this symposium to life and that's why we are eagerly awaiting contributions of any kind in German or English! We look forward to talks, discussions, workshops, media installations, and any other creative ideas.

Format for your abstract:

We would like to ask you to send us an abstract for your contribution (max. 2000 characters), so that we can create an attractive programme. Please consider the following information:

- Name & contact details (E-mail address and mobile number)
- Title of your project
- Time needed
- Preferred date and time within the weekend.
- Technical equipment and material needed

When and where to submit?

To: **ethnosymposium2019@ethnologie.lmu.de**

Subject: **CONTRIBUTION: Title of your contribution**

The deadline is the **18th of March 2019**.

Servus and see you soon,

Your Team for the Ethnosymposium München