

Stiftung Adam von Trott, Imshausen e.V.

Adam von Trott belonged to the German resistance against Hitler in the Kreisau Circle, in which Christians, Socialists, Communists and trade unionists in connection with other enemies of the national socialist regime and international partners were planning for a just and democratic Germany in a federal Europe. He took part in the preparation to overthrow Hitlers rule and was executed like most of those who then participated. The foundation commemorates the resistance and the aims already formulated at that time: to strengthen self-administration, to build democratic structures, control monopolistic economic power and to protect minorities.

Key aspects of the activities of the Stiftung Adam von Trott and respective partners:

It is a place where students and adults are learning about the following themes

- Democracy and social engagement, respect for human dignity, solidarity and resistance against exclusion and hostility towards strangers,
- European Integration, especially East-West exchange as well as concepts for Europe of the resistance,
- Ecumenical exchange and understanding, open citizens events, engagement for peace- and ecumenical work with different partners on regional, national and international level,
- Social Solidarity Economy, meeting and exchange of the supporters in workshops and conferences. By organizing work in solidarity, in a democratic way, solidarity economy is a strategy to combat social exclusion and growing precarization of working conditions.

Cooperation with the Association for the Promotion of Solidarity Economy/ University of Kassel Since 2004 a cooperation as respects to Social Solidarity Economy has developed. Solidarity Economy Enterprises, scientists, politicians from Latin America, the United States of America, Italy, and France have passed on their knowledge and experiences. A conference with east-middle-European scientists is planned. The own region and its history of solidarity economy enterprises and cooperatives always represent the starting point and the solidarity economy enterprises the partners of the dialogue.

Cooperation with the Georg-August-University Göttingen

Adam von Trott had studied Law at the Georg-August-University in Göttingen and made his PhD in international law. In commemoration of the Göttingen alumnus and starting off from his life, actions and thinking the Stiftung Adam von Trott e.V. and the University of Göttingen have a close cooperation since 2017 with multiple projects in research and teaching as well as public formats as respects to the themes Resistance – Democracy - Internationalism. Furthermore conferences, workshops, lectures, seminars and offers for schools.

Another partner in this cooperation is the Adam von Trott Memorial Appeal which takes place at the Mansfield College, which has initiated this "Adam von Trott Memorial Lecture" which takes place every year at the Mansfield College since 2004. Prominent speakers of it have been amongst others Timothy Garton Ash (2004), Sir Ian Kershaw (2010) and Thomas Oppermann (2018) member of the German parliament.

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