

## What is a conference for dialogue?

During the last few years we could see countless conferences and trainings addressing the supporters of refugees in Germany. It is sad to see that a good portion of these didn't reflect nor feature the views and perspective of refugees themselves. We believe that solidarity must not be a one-way street: In order to successfully fight for a fair and equitable society, all of us need to share our perspectives and experiences and learn from those of other.

Therefore it is with great pleasure that we invite you to a CONFERENCE FOR DIALOGUE. It will take place the April 14th in Halle (Saale).

Also, we want to offer a subject of focus: The country of Eritrea. In 2017 alone, more than 10.000 people from Eritrea have asked for asylum in Germany and a good portion of them is being allocated to regions in Saxony-Anhalt. We want to open opportunities for these people to tell their stories, talk about their expectations and ideas of a good life in society. In the same way, people who've lived in Saxony-Anhalt for longer can participate with their visions to shape a common future.

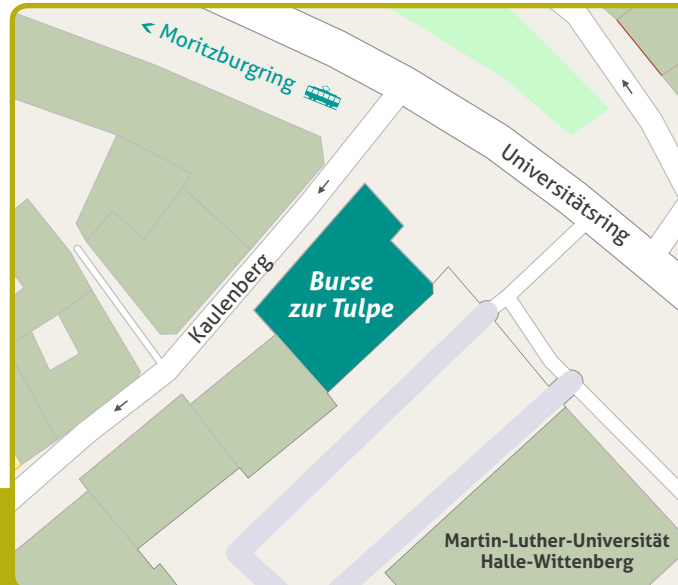
The conference is open to all people, refugees and non-refugees, supporters and non-supporter alike.

We are looking forward to seeing you!

## How to Find Us

The event will be held in the building »Burse zur Tulpe« near the university plaza of the Universität Halle. Take the tram lines 3, 7, 8 or 12 till »Moritzburgring«. Some parking is possible in the area.

**Martin-Luther-Universität  
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CONFERENCE FOR DIALOGUE:

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9.30 AM – 4.30 PM

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# Schedule

*You'll find the workshop language(s) in the title.  
Please contact us beforehand, if you need English translation.*

## 9.30 AM | RECEPTION AND WELCOME

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### 10.00 AM | FIRST WORKSHOP PANEL

#### **Current Development in Asylum Law and Rights [DE, TI]**

We will offer information about current developments in German law regarding asylum, residence and welfare and we'll talk about the effects these changes have on the situation of refugees in Saxony-Anhalt. Participants are also encouraged to contribute with their own experiences and questions.

#### **Support becomes Solidarity [DE, TI]**

The acts of helping and supporting can quickly create a hierarchy between the people giving and the people receiving help. Solidarity on the other hand has the chance to enable and empower both sides. Our workshop will deal with the question how this solidarity can be achieved and how a balanced, mutual support is possible.

#### **»Willkommenskultur« and the Civic Engagement of Migrants [DE, TI]**

For as long as there are migrants living in Germany there is civic engagement of migrants. In spite of this long tradition it was predominantly autochthonous civic engagement which received public resources and attention. The workshop will tend to this contradiction and look for way to solve it.

## 12.30 PM | LUNCH BREAK

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### 1.30 PM | SECOND WORKSHOP PANEL

#### **Experiences of Flight and Living in Germany [TI]**

This workshop offers a stage for the exchange of Eritreans' experiences in Saxony-Anhalt and Germany: What are common problems? Which solutions call for collective action? How can networking, collaboration and organisation be achieved in order to enable and empower?

#### **Fleeing from Eritrea [DE]**

Each year people flee from Eritrea to Germany in the thousands. Still, to the majority of Germans the land at the horn of Africa is relatively unknown which is why we want to give a short overview of the history and current political developments in Eritrea. We want to particularly turn to these reasons why people need to flee from Eritrea and elaborate on the EU's role in the reasons.

#### **Empowering Refugee Women of Colour [DE, TI]**

For women of colour sexist prejudices and racist discrimination never come separately and thus, they face compound obstacles and marginalisation. And even though there already is civic engagement by and for refugee women of colour it is seen and acknowledged only little. In the workshop we'll consider ways to strengthen this engagement and make it more visible.

## 4.00 PM | WORKSHOP SUMMARIES AND CONCLUSION

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## 4.30 PM | THE END

## Registration

To help us plan accordingly we kindly ask for your **registration:**  
[www.fluechtlingsrat-lsa.de/dialogkonferenz](http://www.fluechtlingsrat-lsa.de/dialogkonferenz)

## Accessibility

The conference areas are predominantly accessible. There will be translations German-Tigrinya and Tigrinya-German. Translation for other languages can be arranged, please inform us as soon as possible. There won't be any entry fees. A vegan catering is provided.

## Each supporter counts!

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