



Stadt Nach Acht Conference *live* **RE**SURRECTION

THE RESURRECTION OF THE NIGHT Conference brings the most important players in night culture together again in Berlin

From 25 - 27 Nov. 2021, the fourth edition of the international conference on nightlife and club culture 'Stadt Nach Acht' will take place once again in Berlin. This year's main conference venues are Berlin's infamous Holzmarkt, as well as the clubs Fitzroy and Marie Antoinette. Under the title 'RE:SURRECTION', the trend-setting and interdisciplinary nightlife conference is dedicated to the most important topics surrounding nightlife culture: Night Economy, Health & Safety, Culture of the Night & Urban Development.

This three-day event will address the central question regarding the "resurrection" of the night. The worldwide pandemic-induced disruptions night-time actors find themselves wrestling with are profound. How do economic pressures, cultural isolation, restrictions on mobility, travel and experience affect the framework of the nocturnal city, club culture, music and festivals? And what does this mean for one of the most innovative nightlife metropolises to date: Berlin?

Around 200 international experts will discuss - with approximately 500 guests in more than 50 panels, talks and workshops - topics such as the ecological restructuring of the industry or the question of excessiveness vs. economic consolidation. Which lasting losses and future-oriented developments for the industry have been caused by the pandemic? Do we need more noise control programmes to appease urban conflicts occurring at night? Are signs of an urban rebellion of sorts intensifying in the face of constant restrictions on young people's leisure behaviour? What new perspectives and creative strategies does nocturnal culture need to oppose the growing desolation and the accompanying loss of inner-city spaces?

The culture of the night, health & safety, the economy of the night and urban development constitute, together with the newcomer formats Frei(T)Räume and 'Space of Urgency', the interdisciplinary framework in which the complexity of post-Corona nightlife as well as club and festival culture in (inner) cities and rural regions is depicted.



Early content announcements:

The Cocaine Conference at Stadt Nach Acht

Following the highly successful "**Keta(min) Conference**" at the last Stadt Nach Acht 2019, this year's health strand focuses on another psychoactive substance. The **Cocaine Conference** brings the highly problematic - yet ever spreading - substance to the centre of this year's deliberations. This topic will once again be extended over several panels.

The spectrum of discussions ranges from the extremely bloody and violent consequences of the very lucrative cocaine trade for numerous Latin American cities and states, and the health and social effects of the steadily increasing use of cocaine, to the substance's role in a club culture that places great emphasis on 'awareness' and political stances. Numerous experts from Germany and abroad will discuss the drug's continuing triumphant procession out of the night and into political and corporate control centres.

Venues confirmed

The 'Stadt Nach Acht' conference - despite all pandemic-related contingencies - announces **this year's edition will once again be an in-person event**. It will take place in various venues located on the multifaceted creative hub of the **Holzmarkt** site, as well as in the two charmingly underground clubs **Marie Antoinette** and **Fitzroy**. A return to the Yaam site - where a large part of the individual events of the previous conference took place in 2019 - is no longer possible due to serious concerns raised by the district building inspection about the continued operation of the cultural centre. In addition to participating on site, interested participants from all over the world can follow the conference events virtually in six parallel livestreams.

"We are already looking forward to the Stadt Nach Acht conference being a guest at the Holzmarkt again," says Mario Husten, board member of the Holzmarkt 25 cooperative, "Many of its themes also frame the history, present and future on this site."

**City - Land - Federation:
From the Berlin Club Commission to the Federal Association Livekomm**

Given its increasing supra-regional significance, which includes the founding of the **'Parliamentary Forum on Club Culture and Nightlife' in the German Bundestag** at the 2019 edition of the conference, the responsibility and implementation of the 'International Conference on Nightlife' will transfer to a new sponsor: the Federal Association of Live

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Music Venues - also known as **Livekomm** - as of 2021. The core team surrounding the two conference founders and directors Raimund Reintjes and Marc Wohlrabe will remain. The Clubcommission, which is represented as a Berliner member in the federal association, retains its important role in setting themes and linking the conference to Berlin's unique nightlife. Through the sponsorship at the federal level, the Berlin conference will be further expanded worldwide as a platform for national and international topics and networks.

"This is an important step for "Stadt Nach Acht". We are expanding the national and international reception and resonance that we have experienced in the previous editions of the conference," says Marc Wohlrabe, one of the two directors of 'Stadt Nach Acht'.

Media cooperation

'**United We Stream**' has grown into a digital home for over 2500 artists and creative professionals over the past year. Worldwide, United We Stream achieved 150 million video views on various platforms; 14 million of them on the ARTE Concert channels. The Berlin-based association supports the Stadt Nach Acht Conference 2021 with the enormous reach of its platform and will make the digital content available via its global network comprised of 124 cities and branches.



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