



**Alice Salomon Hochschule Berlin**  
University of Applied Sciences

**International Conference of the Sage SAGE! Project**

# **Exiled Scholars and ‘Academic Humanitarianism’ Conjunctures of Solidarity in Times of Global Crises**

**Monday,  
13 May 2024**

Alice Salomon University of Applied Sciences Berlin  
Audimax, Alice-Salomon-Platz 5, 12627 Berlin

10:15 - 11:00

## **Opening Remarks**

Prof. Dr. Bettina Völter, Rector (ASH Berlin)

Frank Albrecht (Scholars at Risk Germany Steering Group (Chair); Alexander von Humboldt Foundation)

Prof. Dr. Esra Erdem (ASH Berlin)

11:00 - 13:00

## **Panel I: Discourses, Practices and Power/Knowledge Exiled Scholars and Higher Education Institutions in Europe**

Chair: Dr. Börries Nehe (Rosa Luxemburg Foundation)

- Dr. Zafer Yılmaz, Prof. Dr. Esra Erdem, Dr. Meral Apak (ASH Berlin)
- Prof. Dr. Jo-Anne Dillabough, Dr. Zeina Al Azmeh (University of Cambridge)
- Prof. Dr. Betül Yazar (Hacı Bayram Veli University Ankara; Helmut Schmidt University Hamburg)

13:00 – 14:00

Lunch

14:00 – 15:40

**Panel II:  
Institutional Commitments and Transformations in Relation to  
Exiled Academics in Higher Education**

Chair: Silvia Ben Mahrez (ASH Berlin)

“Empowering Exiled Scholars at Universities of Applied Sciences”

Presentation of recommendations from the Sage SAGE! Project  
Prof. Dr. Esra Erdem, Dr. Zafer Yilmaz, Dr. Meral Apak (ASH Berlin)

**In discussion with:**

- Dr. Aysuda Kölemen (Bard College Berlin)
- Frank Albrecht (Alexander von Humboldt Foundation)
- Dr. Eren Paydaş (Central European University)

15:40 – 16:00

Coffee break

16:00 – 17:30

**Roundtable discussion:  
Challenges and Opportunities – Can Exiled Scholars Provide an Impetus  
for Broader Structural Changes in Higher Education?**

Co-chairs: Dr. Meral Apak, Dr. Zafer Yilmaz, Dr. Zeina Al Azmeh

- Kocaeli Solidarity Academy: Dr. Hülya Kendir (University of Kassel)
- Academics in Solidarity: Dr. Florian Kohstall (Freie Universität Berlin)
- Initiative of Solidarity and Support for Social Work Educators from Ukraine: (tbc)
- Network for Decent Labour in Academia: Dr. Britta Ohm (University Mainz)
- OFF University: Dr. Ali Yalçın Göymen (Humboldt Universität Berlin)

17:30 – 17:45 **Closing Remarks**

**Conference registration:** <https://www.ash-berlin.eu/hochschule/organisation/sage-sage/news/>

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