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For Democracy, Human Dignity and the Rule of Law - LIKAT Supports the Leibniz Association's Statement

[\(Link to the statement of the Leibniz Association\)](#)

Over the past few days, citizens across Germany have made it clear that democracy, human dignity and the rule of law are unshakeable fundamental values of our society. The broad civil society has shown that our democracy is alive and resists attacks. The Leibniz Institute for Catalysis (LIKAT) also shows solidarity with the demonstrators and expressly supports their protest.

In the Leibniz Association, we work together on socially, economically and ecologically relevant issues in order to find answers to the pressing problems of our time. More than 20,000 employees from around 130 countries and with diverse immigration histories work at the 96 Leibniz Institutes on a wide range of scientific topics. This can only succeed with an open-minded attitude and a welcoming culture for all. Just like German society as a whole, we as a research community gain our strength through plurality and diversity.

We do not accept any attack on the core of our constitution and the basis of our coexistence. With this declaration and in our daily interactions, we resolutely oppose discrimination, exclusion and xenophobia in our country.