

International sex worker* event in Berlin

World of Whorecraft – Sex Work Fair 2019: Sex workers* connect and inform the public about their work

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In general society and the media, sex work and those associated with the industry often have a "dirty", "perverted" or even dangerous reputation. A lot of sex workers* therefore struggle with prejudices and stigma and many feel they have to conceal their choice of work from friends or family. From the 15th to 17th of August the BesD e.V. – a sexworker-led [Association for Sexual and Erotic Services](#) – invites colleagues* of all working fields, genders and nations to the German capital to celebrate the annual Whore Congress and the brand-new Sex Work Fair together.

The first two days are strictly sex worker only – only those who are or were active in erotic or sexual services are welcome to participate in the Congress. The World of Whorecraft – Sex Work Fair on the 17th of August is open to the public. Interested visitors have the opportunity to inform themselves beyond media reports – about the industry, the Whores' Rights Movement and the needs and issues of sex workers*.

Sex workers* and their supporters will be introducing the relevant issues in and different aspects of their work at information stands, workshops, readings and keynote lectures. In addition to the BesD, other sex work associations, counseling centers and networks will be informing about the political and social challenges sex workers are facing in Germany and internationally.

The Sex Work Fair will be joined by colleagues* and allies from all over the world – for example the sexworker movement [SWARM](#) from London, the [Black Sexworker Collective](#) from New York, [Wild Thing](#) from Amsterdam and the europe-wide [ICRSE network](#).

Additionally you can look forward to various performances, spaces devoted to art, film, academical research and much more. Industry-relevant suppliers, such as the queer sex shop [Other Nature](#), will also be found at the fair.

Since some sex workers* unfortunately cannot afford travel, ticket costs or a loss of earnings, we are still looking for event sponsors* who would like to enable marginalised colleagues* to participate in the congress and the Sex Work Fair. [Click here for more information on sponsoring possibilities.](#)

The final programme will be published on the website www.worldofwhorecraft.de.

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