

Political Platform for Red Youth



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1. Our aim

Red Youth is a Marxist, revolutionary organisation. Our goal is a classless society; free from suppression and exploitation. Red Youth promotes a political and economic system where people have the direct power over the development of society. This society we call communism. Red Youth is the Youth organisation of Red Electoral Alliance (RV) and the Workers' Communist Party (AKP).

Red Youth attempts to apply marxian theories and methods to analyse the society of today. These theories must be used critically, and they are in a constant need of development as changes are taking place.

2. Situation of today

We are living in a class-society where the bourgeoisie is a parasite on the working class, in order to suck out as high profits as possible. The bourgeoisie has the political, economic and ideological power. They own and control the means of production. This makes the bourgeoisie the ruling class. As long as one class has the power, genuine democracy has no chance.

Under capitalism the motive power for production is the capitalists' constant hunger for high profits. The capital and investments flow to where the chance for greatest produce is, regardless of human needs.

Red Youth sees the suppression of women as a necessity if the capitalist system is to survive. In some countries women has been given formal rights which are meant to secure equality

between the sexes. In everyday life this doesn't work. The economical part of the suppression is revealed by the fact that men and women get paid differently for equal work and through a sex-divided labourmarket.

The ideological suppression which especially young women are victims of is revealed in advertisements and in the pornographic industry, where girls are reduced to objects for men's pleasure.

Today the people in the Third World are the ones who suffer the most from capitalism and imperialism. Red Youth believes that the majority of the people in the world, both north and south, have common interests in getting rid of capitalism and imperialism. Solidarity with people from other parts of the world is a necessity if we want to change the world.

Racism is also used by the rulers to legalize the exploitation of the Third World. It is easier to accept that millions of children die of hunger if they're black.

Racism is an efficient way to make people fight against each other instead of turning their anger upwards.

Capitalism is dependant on impoverishing the natural resources. The work for a justifiable use of the earth's natural resources and against the environmental destruction is therefore a natural part of the struggle to change the society.

The Daily Struggle

Red Youth promotes a society with full women's liberation, therefore we support all struggle against the suppression of women.

Red Youth fights against violent racism and organized racism. The state legitimates the racist organisations by making the immigrants and refugees from the Third World look like criminals. Red Youth will confront racism wherever it is practised. Red Youth believes that the most important way to fight racists is through participation in mass movements.

Red Youth supports mass movements and organisations that fight imperialism and exploitation throughout the world.

Red Youth supports the environmental organisations' slogan about thinking globally and acting locally. But it is important that the environmental problems are not made to a private responsibility to each and every person. It is in the economical system the final factors are found. Both western capitalism and central-governed planeconomy, of old East-European brand, are incompatible with a development that secures both nature's and mankind's needs.

Red Youth is an active participant in the struggle against the EEC and EEA.

3. What is our goal?

Red Youth believes that the organisation of the society needs fundamental changes. The capital's insane hunt for the maximum profit must be changed into a production that covers the needs of man and nature.

Red Youth believes that capitalism will not let itself be abolished by gradual reforms or through resolutions in parliamentary organs. History has shown that the ruling classes haven't given away their power voluntarily. Therefore we in Red Youth

believe that a revolution is necessary to accomplish fundamental changes.

Red Youth promotes a revolution that leads to the working class depriving the bourgeoisie's control over the means of production. People must take the political, economical and social power to be able to obtain control over their own lives, and create a new society. This new society Red Youth calls socialism. Concrete plans and analysis for the formation of this new society must be continuously discussed and prepared.

Red Youth wants a democratic socialism, where everyone are secured democratic rights. This demands a democratic organized economy, where the people decide what the society's resources should be used for. We work against all sorts of privileges for special groups or parties. Red Youth keeps a distance from a one-party-ruled socialism, and the so-called socialist societies that existed in the East-European countries.

Socialism is not our ultimate goal. There will still exist classes in this society. The danger of the old bourgeoisie trying to reconquer the power or that new ruling-classes will arise is there. Red Youth will work for developing socialism into a society without class-, sexual or racial suppression. This classless society we call communism. The concrete form of communism does not exist as a fixed idea. There must be a continuous discussion and development of ideas and theories for this society.

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