



## Impulse

In many countries, persons with disabilities continue to face discrimination and intolerance in their daily lives. They rarely have the opportunity to travel or share their needs, interests and abilities with others who are in similar situations. Events that truly put the target group at the centre from the outset are still lacking.

This congress's success is driven by the unpaid efforts of individuals, but cooperation with local organizations, authorities, universities, the media, and the public also contributes to its growth.



## Development

The first congress took place in Berlin in 1998, followed by six more major European congresses under the motto 'Living in the Encounter'. Up to 700 people attended each event.

Since 2009, efforts have been made to expand the congress movement beyond Europe to other countries. As a result, congress series have been developed in various places, such as South America, Russia, India, and Thailand. In 2017, the first World Congress was held in Yekaterinburg, Russia. Around 850 participants from all continents travelled to the event.

The website [www.socialartist.events](http://www.socialartist.events) provides information about the importance of the event for the target group through texts, photos, and videos. Please have a look into it!



## Future

Plans for future congresses have already begun and will be announced on the website once their realization is confirmed. The implementation of these events also depends on the availability of financial resources.

Interest in this initiative continues to grow in countries that lack financial support for persons with disabilities. Will it be possible to gather enough people to support this initiative?

The non-profit organization [socialartist.support e.V.](http://socialartist.support.e.v) was founded in Berlin in 2019 with the aim of promoting its global expansion.

Please support us and become part of this global congress movement!