

## Never Again? Unpacking the German Discourse on Palestine

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In the wake of the 2023 genocide in Gaza, compulsory Zionism, to use Umayyah Cable's terms, has reached authoritarian proportions throughout the country. Antisemitism is primarily construed of as a problem imported through non-European migrants, and anti-Zionist Jews are persona non grata in most German institutions. Whilst all western countries are experiencing a form of censorship around Palestine speech, in Germany this has reached unparalleled proportions and unconditional support for Israel is a staple of *both* the German left and the German right.

What is happening? Is there a future for an anti-Zionist left in Germany? Is there a future for a diverse Jewish community in Germany that is allowed to hold different opinions on Israel? Ought scholars outside Germany boycott German academia in solidarity with Palestine? What can the German case tell us about Israel, Palestine, and questions around solidarity more generally? This roundtable will gather a group of experts on Germany and its relationship to both its Nazi past and to the State of Israel in order to look at this question, and unpack the contemporary German discourse on Palestine.

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