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Committee of Victim Support Organizations

The Committee of Victim Support Organizations (Arbeits-kreis der Opferhilfen e.V.) **ado** is an umbrella association of various professional victim services in Germany and has existed since October 1988.

Its fundamental interest is to make a contribution to the comprehensive social task of supporting the human rights of victims.

ado contributes its part through:

- supporting and promoting a nationwide coverage of counselling for victims of criminal acts;
- forcefully advancing the establishment of further professional victim support facilities;
- to publicly take side for the interests of victims of criminal acts (however, not to the disadvantage of the perpetrator) and to stimulate legal initiatives;
- to initiate an exchange of information and experience between victim support centers on a regular basis;
- to develop and attend to quality standards for the counselling of victims;
- to ensure the intensified cooperation of the various victim support centers with other international and especially European victim support centers.

In addition, the non-profit organization serves to support the members of **ado** through its solidarity on an ideal level.

Those institutions and counselling centers represented by ado offer support to the following target groups:

- Women, men, children and youths, who have been subject to victimization of any of several types of offences
- Victims of right-wing and racist violence
- · Victims of homophobic violence
- Witnesses in court cases
- Victims and perpetrators, who seek a victim-offender mediation, or a conflict settlement

The goal of all member organizations is to support people who have been the victim of criminal or violent acts - whether by taking the side of the victim or in the effort towards conflict mediation between victims and perpetrators.

Programs of Further Education

ado develops nationwide secondary preventative further education instruments for people who work professionally with victims of criminal or violent acts and offers on a regular basis specialized further education measures for various target groups.

