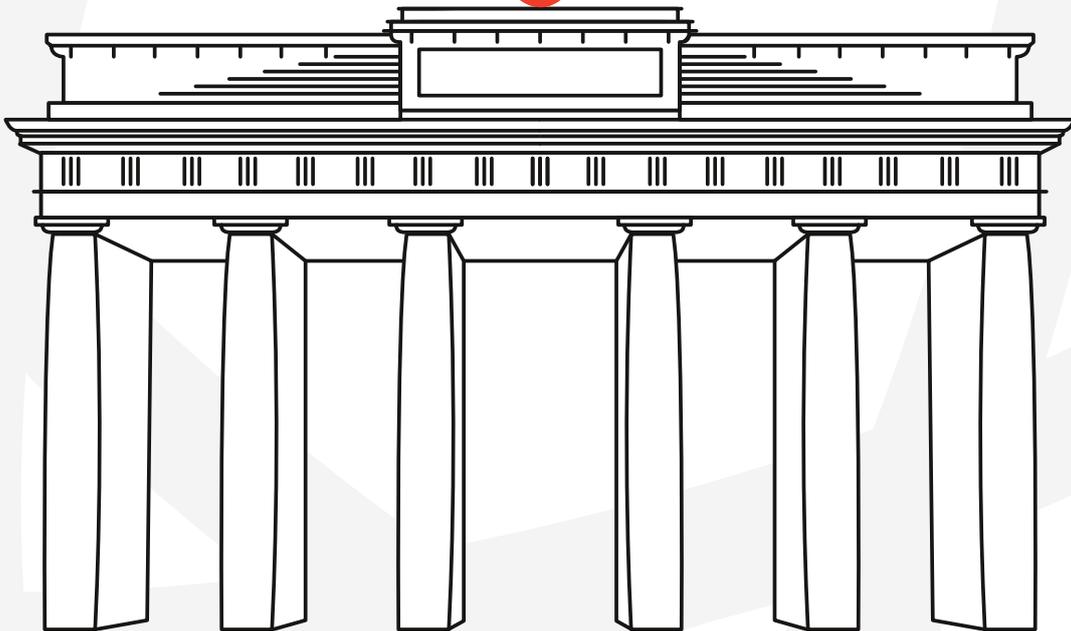
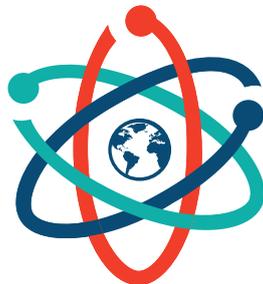


# MARCH FOR SCIENCE

EARTH DAY

**22. April 2017, 13:00**

Start: Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin,  
Unter den Linden 6



**#sciencemarchBER** is for everyone, scientists and supporters, to show there is NO alternative to facts.



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### **What nonsense!**

*"Vaccines weaken the body's natural defenses." "Chemtrails - poisonous airplane condensation trails." "CO<sub>2</sub> emissions cannot cause climate change." "Evolution? No, we were created by intelligent design."*  
- All of these statements are demonstrably nonsensical, yet there are many people who believe in them. This used to be called simply "superstition"; now it is called "alternative facts".

### **Science is not a matter of opinion.**

Populist movements take advantage of such worldviews. In doing so, they undermine the basic social contract that political decisions should rest on facts and evidence-based knowledge. There is no technological progress without the discoveries of the natural sciences and it is impossible to enact social policy without data obtained by the social sciences.

### **Science is everywhere.**

Science completely permeates our everyday lives. This is what we want to raise awareness of with our March for Science. No public transportation schedule can be developed without mathematics and satellite navigation systems only work by accessing satellite data.

### **Science is our future.**

Germany has only one percent of the global population, but it is, at the same time, the fourth-strongest economic power. Our prosperity and affluence are largely the products of science, research, technology, and a good educational system. Research and science represent the so-called "art of the solvable" and help to build a world that offers humanity freedom. This extends beyond national borders.

### **Science is education.**

The strength of our educational system lies in the incorporation of scientific and research findings into school and vocational education. Attempts to push creationism in schools and deny evolution can only hinder our children's understanding of the natural world.

### **Science is all of us.**

That is why we appeal to all citizens who appreciate the importance of science in a democracy. Take action against backward and populist ideologies. Do not believe simple explanations. This world is complicated – which is exactly what makes it beautiful.

### **Science marches.**

This April 22nd, people will be taking to the streets in almost 400 cities worldwide. These demonstrations are non-partisan and trans-institutional. Any citizen who cares about the future of our society is welcome – not just scientists.



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