



schwelle Foundation
Contributions to Peace

Calls for nominations for the International Bremen Peace Award 2026 of the *schwelle* Foundation

Looking for Inspiring People and Projects

On May 8, 2026 the *schwelle* Foundation will confer for the twelfth time the International Bremen Peace Award for exemplary commitments to Justice, Peace and the Integrity of Creation. The award is given with the aim of honouring people and organisations that set an example through their work contributing to reconciliation, human rights, overcoming violence and racism, for social justice, sustainable handling of nature and environment as well as to intercultural and interreligious understanding. With the Peace Award, *schwelle* aims to strengthen courage and hope in these war-torn times.

Patron of the Bremen Peace Award is Bremen's former mayor Karoline Linnert.

The Peace Award is presented in two categories:

Pioneering Peace Work

This award goes to **dedicated individuals**, with special emphasis on future-oriented peace work; for example, striving for peace in much or little noticed conflicts, struggling for the rights of marginalized people, or fighting for the preservation of natural resources. This can be peace work at the grassroots level or in international networks and in different areas of society, such as media, arts, sciences, or politics.

Award of the Donors for Encouraging Initiatives

This award goes to initiatives and organisations that are particularly creative, exemplary, or sustainable in their work for peace, reconciliation, human and environmental rights.

From the nominations received, the *schwelle* Foundation will prepare a shortlist from which the donors will choose the award-winning initiative. Thus everybody, by means of a donation to the foundation, may participate in the election.

For further information about the call for nominations and the past Peace Awards:
www.dieschwelle.de/en/peace-award

The award winners will be honoured during a public ceremony at the Bremen Town Hall on May 8, 2026. The awards are endowed with 5,000 Euros in each category.

Proposals for the Bremen Peace Award should be submitted by third parties or organisations. Self-nominations will not be accepted.

Please send your proposals with the following documentation:

- Full name and address (including email and phone number) of the suggested person/organisation, website, and name of contact person in the case of organisations
- Reasons for the proposal (not more than 3 pages), please describe the following:
 - What exactly does the person/organisation? Please add examples.
 - Since when has the person/organisation been active?
 - For organisations: How did the organisation come about?
 - For persons: What led the person to his/her commitment?
- Information regarding previously received awards, if any.
- Brief presentation of yourself as the person/organisation submitting a proposal.
- What is your relationship with the nominated person/organisation, how did you get to know the person/organisation?

If you wish to enclose additional information, please feel free to do so. We will contact you in case further clarification or more information is needed.

Proposals should be submitted by **June 30, 2025**, in English, German, French or Spanish to:

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or to

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