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As rents rise, major real-estate companies like Deutsche Wohnen, Vonovia, and Akelius and Co make insane profits. We refuse to put up with this any longer: Our petition Deutsche Wohnen & Co enteignen ("Socialize Deutsche Wohnen & Co.") aims to socialize the over 240,000 apartments belonging to such companies.

Starting late February, we'll need to collect more than 200,000 signatures within four months, so that a referendum can be held in September 2021. In order to achieve this, we've formed neighborhood-based teams across the city to organize the collection of signatures.

Interested in hearing more about our campaign and learning how you can contribute in English?

Write to us at: right2thecity@dwenteignen.de

Who we are and what we want:

Our initiative Deutsche Wohnen & Co enteignen entails collecting signatures for a petition to hold a referendum. Our goal is to expropriate housing stock that is owned by real-estate companies with over 3,000 apartments in Berlin. We want to transfer the apartments into public property. In order to do so, we invoke Article 15 of the Basic Law (Grundgesetz), which allows for the socialization of land.

Why socialize housing?

If our apartments were socialized, our rent prices would no longer be set for the purpose of enriching real-estate companies. Instead, rents would be lowered to actually match the necessary expenditures. On top of that, renters would be much more involved in making relevant decisions.

The socialization of housing doesn't need to be expensive. According to Art. 15 of the Basic Law, it is possible to compensate these companies below market price. We've run the numbers. The costs of expropriation can be paid out of the income from rents. It will not place a budgetary strain on the State of Berlin.

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