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World Freedom Day balloons and wristbands

Balloons and wristbands are available from the Transatlantic Institute's World Freedom Day project.

Email: info@worldfreedomday.org.uk

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Balloons cost £10.00 per pack of twenty.

Wristbands cost £1.00 each.

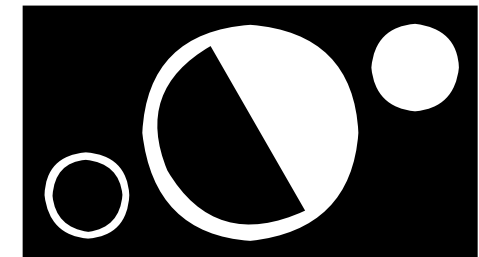
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Visit our online shop, or contact us by email regarding availability.

What is World Freedom Day?

The anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall on 9 November 1989 is celebrated as World Freedom Day. The Transatlantic Institute is coordinating and supporting the worldwide commemoration of this historic date. Together with other organizations around the world, we will establish World Freedom Day on the international calendar.

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I have often asked myself why human beings have any rights at all. I always come to the conclusion that human rights, human freedoms, and human dignity have their deepest roots somewhere outside the perceptible world. These values are as powerful as they are because, under certain circumstances, people accept them without compulsion and are willing to die for them.—Vaclav Havel

Why is it important to commemorate World Freedom Day?

To promote a clear understanding of one of the most momentous events of the Twentieth Century, since it provides a valuable model for the understanding of many struggles occurring throughout the world. It also serves as a reminder that vigilance is the key to the maintenance of a free society. And, as in the past, freedom does not come without sacrifice.

What date is World Freedom Day 2005?

WFD 2005 falls on Wednesday 9 November.

How can your organization become involved?

We are encouraging all those reading this who consider themselves advocates of freedom, to conduct a meeting on 9 November, both to recall the events of 1989, and to discuss what freedom means to them and how it can best be defended and fostered.

Schools, religious organisations, NGOs and student groups can be involved, eg musicians might want to dedicate a concert to freedom and to commemorate the fall of the Berlin Wall.

Suggestions for questions to open a discussion on freedom:

- What marks the difference between a free society and an unfree society?
- How are the freedoms enjoyed in free societies currently protected, and in what other ways could they be protected?
- What role do citizens have to play in ensuring the preservation of freedoms?
- Is the society we live in becoming freer or less free?

How can we celebrate World Freedom Day?

The Transatlantic Institute have printed special white WFD balloons, and suggest that wherever possible, you release a few white balloons in a small ceremony, in solidarity with like-minded people all over the world who will be doing the same to commemorate the day. We have also created silicon WFD wristbands. Our balloons and wristbands are shown overleaf, together with ordering information.

We can also offer advice about the technical aspects of your balloon launch.

If you think these issues are important, do join us. We will be compiling a page of photographs of WFD 2005 celebrations and commemorations, and if you'd like your organisation to be featured, please send us a photo or any other comments you'd like us to post on our site.

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How else can we assist you?

As well as providing technical advice on your balloon launch, we can also help you to draft a press release to send to your local media, and (with your express permission) we will include details of your event in our press releases to London-based and international media.

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