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INVITATION TO THE PRESS PREVIEW

Museum Europäischer Kulturen

Arnimallee 25, 14195 Berlin-Dahlem

Opening hours: Tue – Fri 10 am – 5 pm, Sat + Sun 11 am – 6 pm

Flow. The Exhibition on Menstruation

6 October 2023 – 6 October 2024

A special exhibition of the Museum Europäischer Kulturen – Staatliche Museen zu Berlin

Press conference: Thursday, 5 October 2023, 11 am

Exhibition opening: Thursday, 5 October 2023, 6 pm

We cordially invite you to the press preview of the special exhibition „Flow. The Exhibition on Menstruation” on Thursday, 5 October 2023, 11 am at the Museum Europäischer Kulturen in Berlin-Dahlem.

Some 2 billion people in the world menstruate. An additional 1.5 billion have had or will have their periods. Nevertheless, menstruation is considered a taboo topic. Through personal objects and museum artefacts, interviews, music, film, and art, the exhibition explores the discourses and debates of the last decades, traces the development of menstrual products from the late 19th century to the present day, and gives space to the voices of menstruators.

The exhibition brings together around 100 historical and brand-new menstrual products as well as advertisements. Diagrams, interviews, and hands-on discovery stations convey the current state of knowledge. Featuring almost 200 everyday objects, photos, graphics, newspaper articles, and social media posts, the exhibition broadens the discourse that has accompanied menstruation for decades: It covers topics such as work and effectiveness, period poverty, waste, "normality", our bond with nature, and state of mind.

In attendance:

Elisabeth Tietmeyer

Director of Museum Europäischer Kulturen – Staatliche Museen zu Berlin

Jana Wittenzellner

Deputy Director, Curator of the exhibition, Museum Europäischer Kulturen – Staatliche Museen zu Berlin

Sofia Botvinnik

Research Associate, Curator for Outreach, Museum Europäischer Kulturen – Staatliche Museen zu Berlin

We are looking forward to your attendance. Please obtain an accreditation by sending an E-mail by **Wednesday, 4 October 2023** to:

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