

What defines us – what unites us

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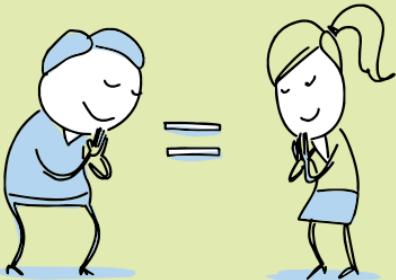
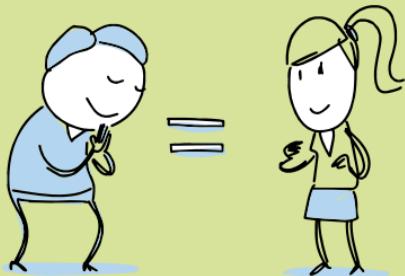
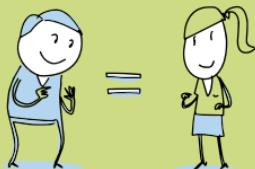
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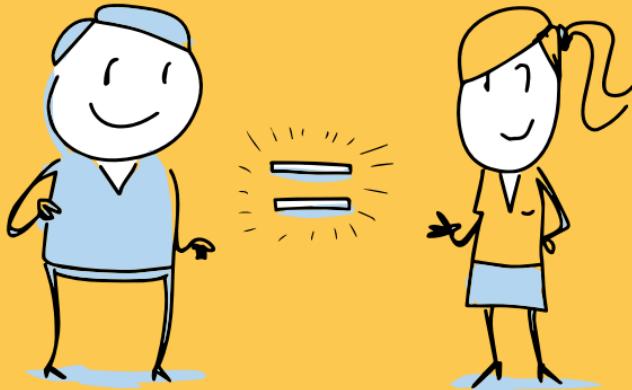
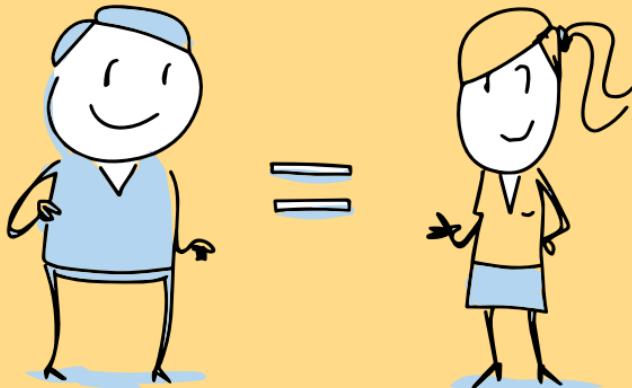
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"What defines us – what unites us" is the name of a comic film and book series produced by the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung. This series deals in a simple and practical way with the central values of our society. The topics human dignity, equal rights, freedom of expression, freedom of religion and the main pillars of our foreign policy are covered. Through this project we wish to invite the broad public to engage in a reflection about what defines us in Germany and what unites our society.

Gender equality means all men and all women receive identical respect ...

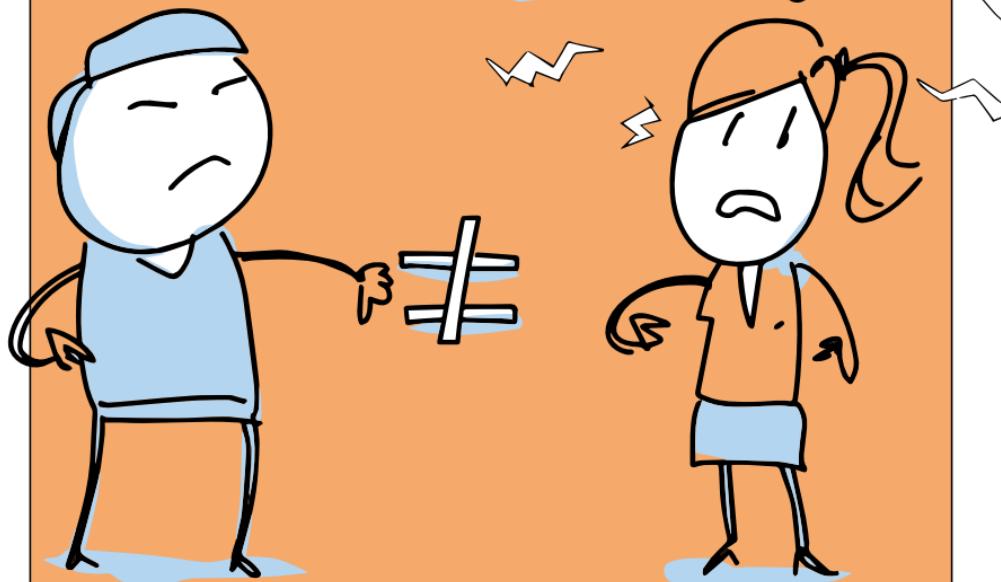




... and treatment
throughout society.



DISCRIMINATI



Even more: Discrimination based on gender is forbidden.

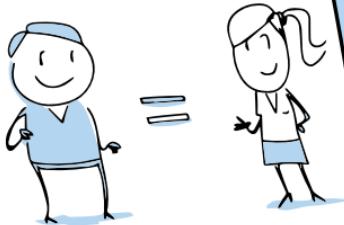
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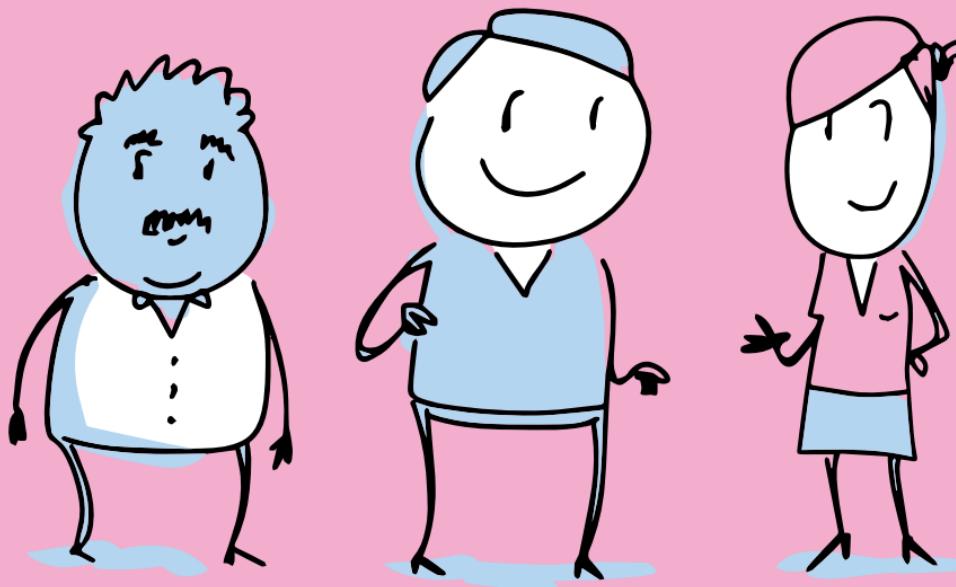


This is one of our most important principles declared in our constitution, the German Basic Law, called Grundgesetz.



That means:

In Germany all men and women are able to live a self-determined life.



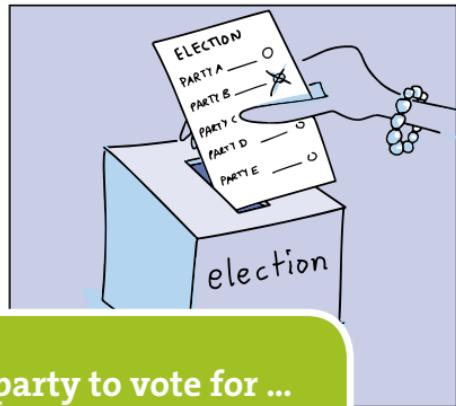
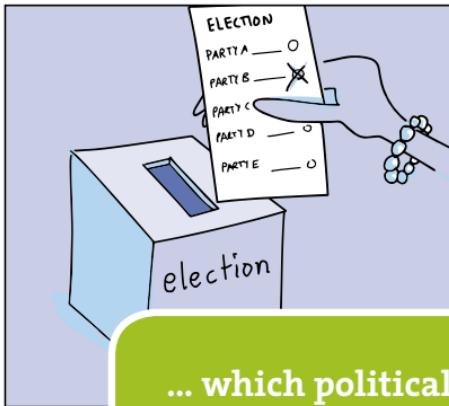


Just like men,
women are free
to decide ...



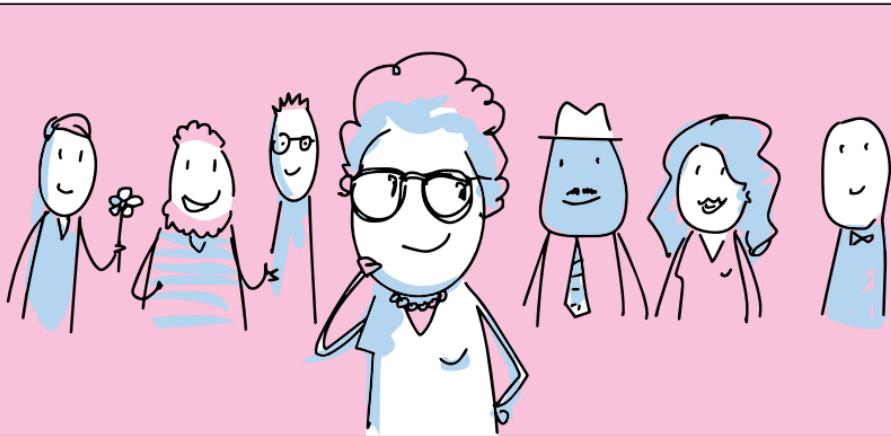
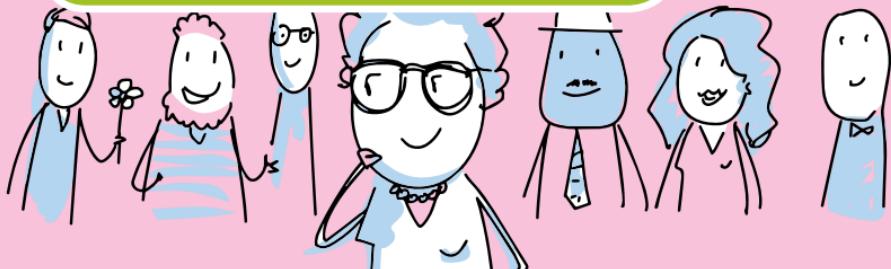
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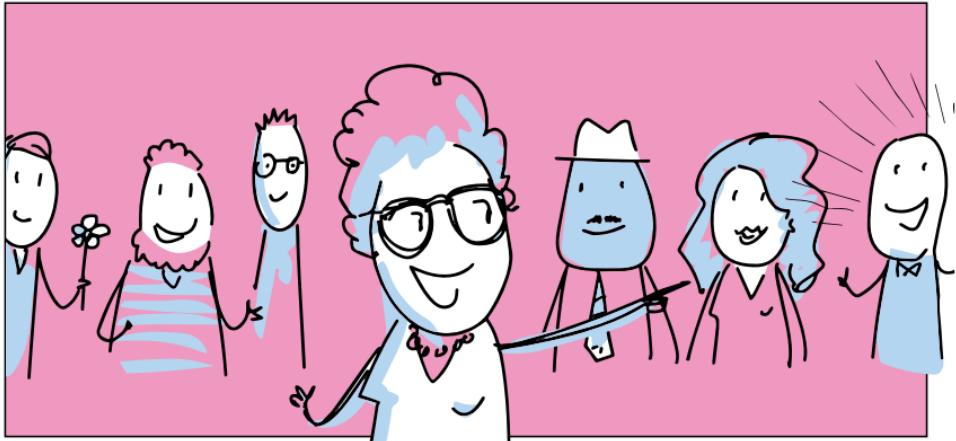
... where to go ...



... which political party to vote for ...

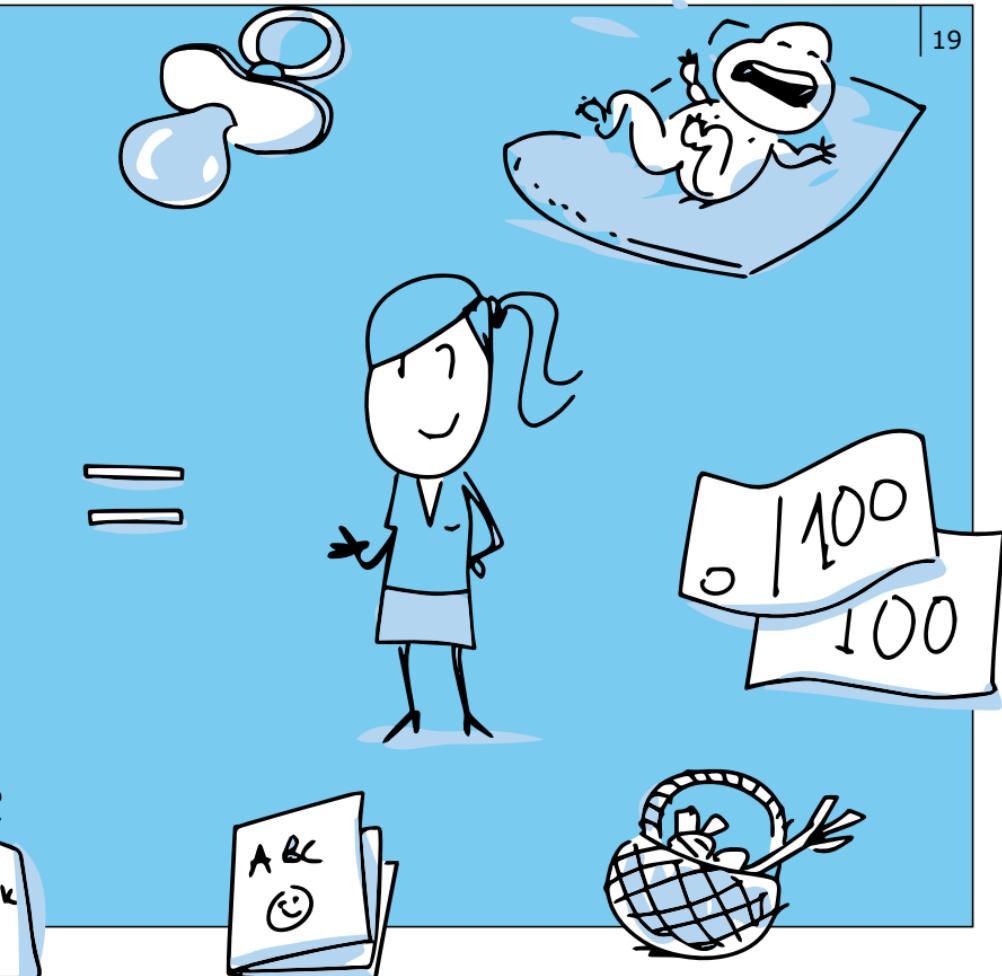
... with whom they want to live together or whom to marry.



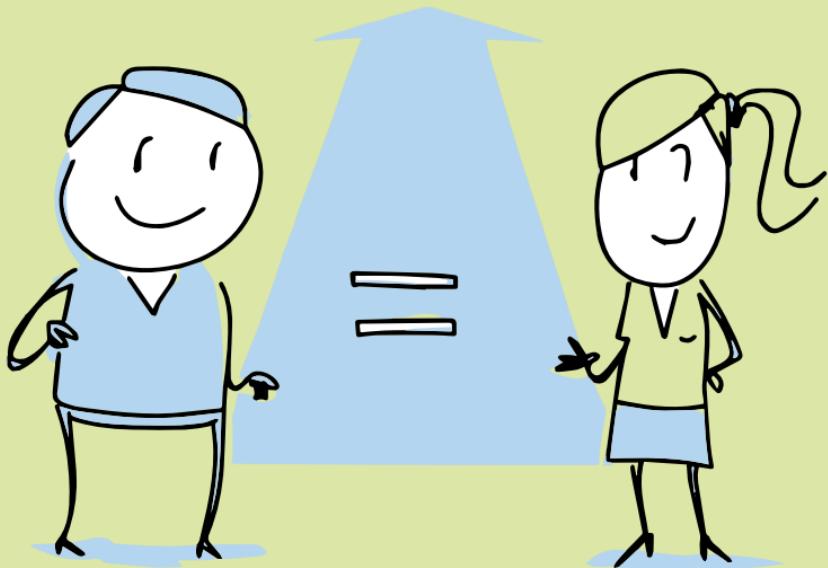


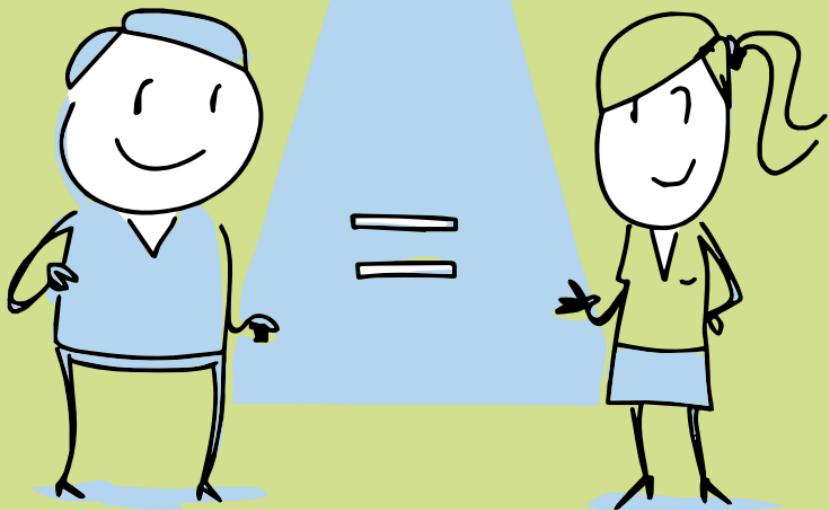
Also with regard to parenting, both men and women have equal rights and duties.





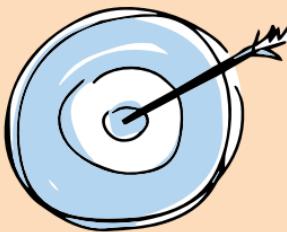
Men and women also have equal chances and access to education and the labor market.



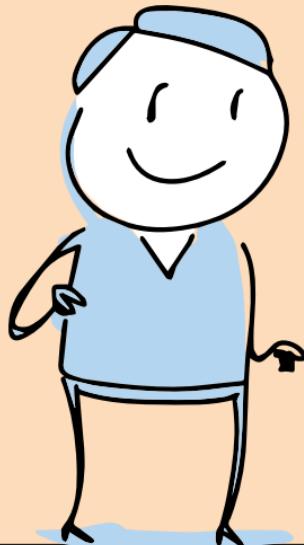




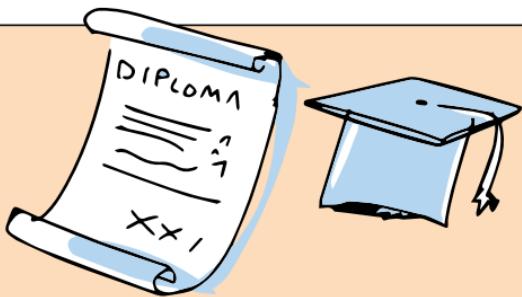
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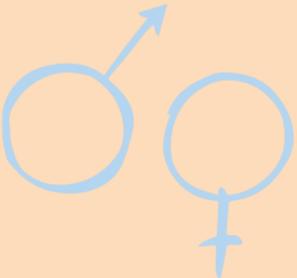
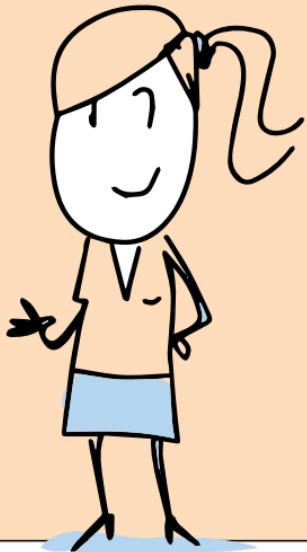
SKILLS



Talent, skills and qualifications are the keys in the competition to find a training position or job – ...

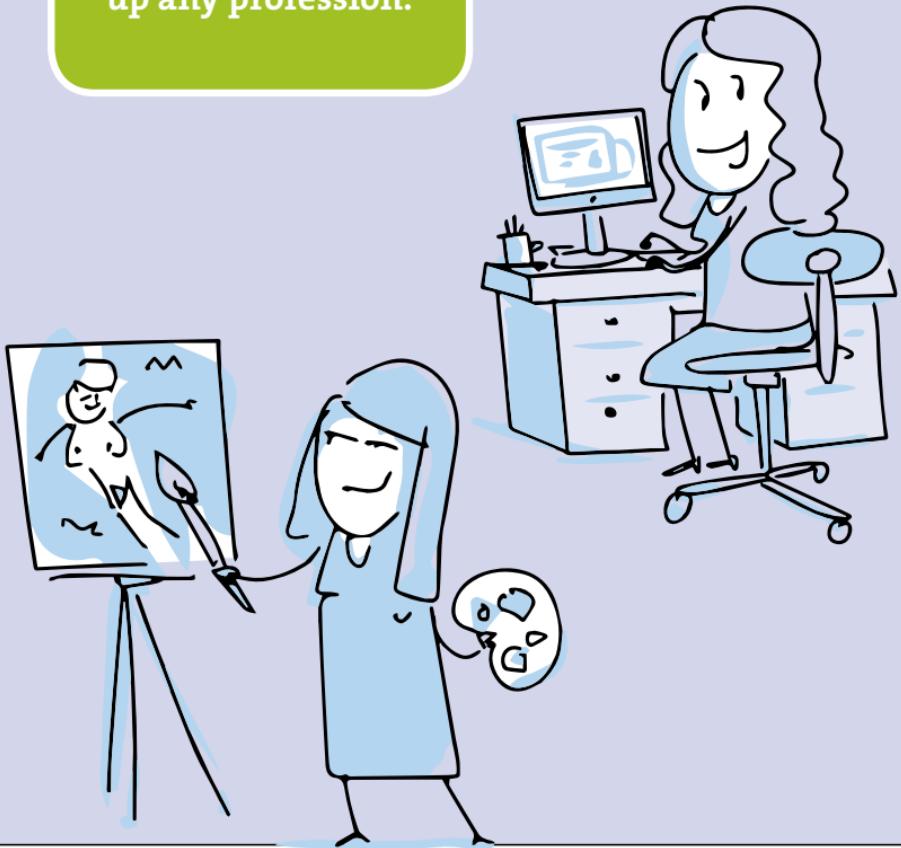


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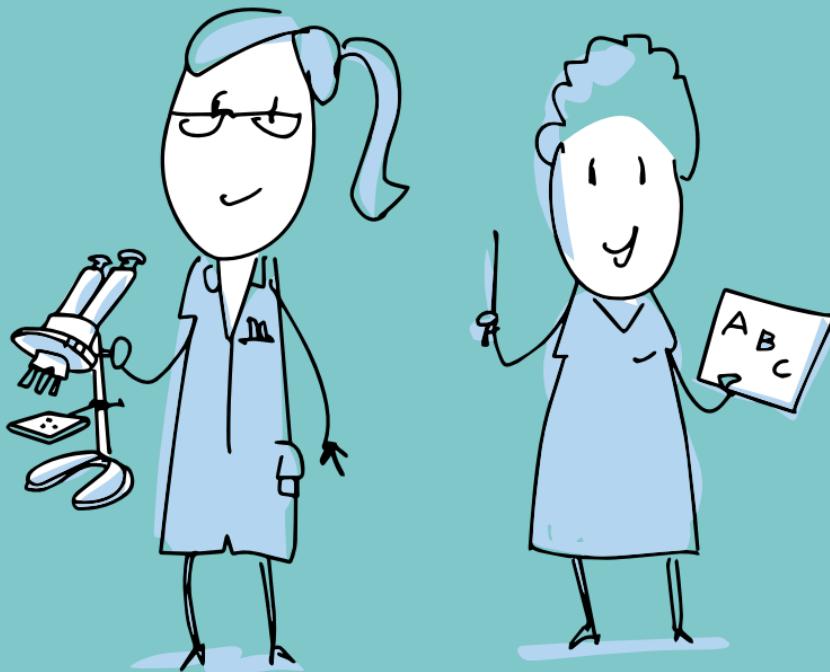
... gender is
not a criterion.

Women can take up any profession:





They are for example scientists or teachers, ...



... they work in the administration
or as journalists, ...

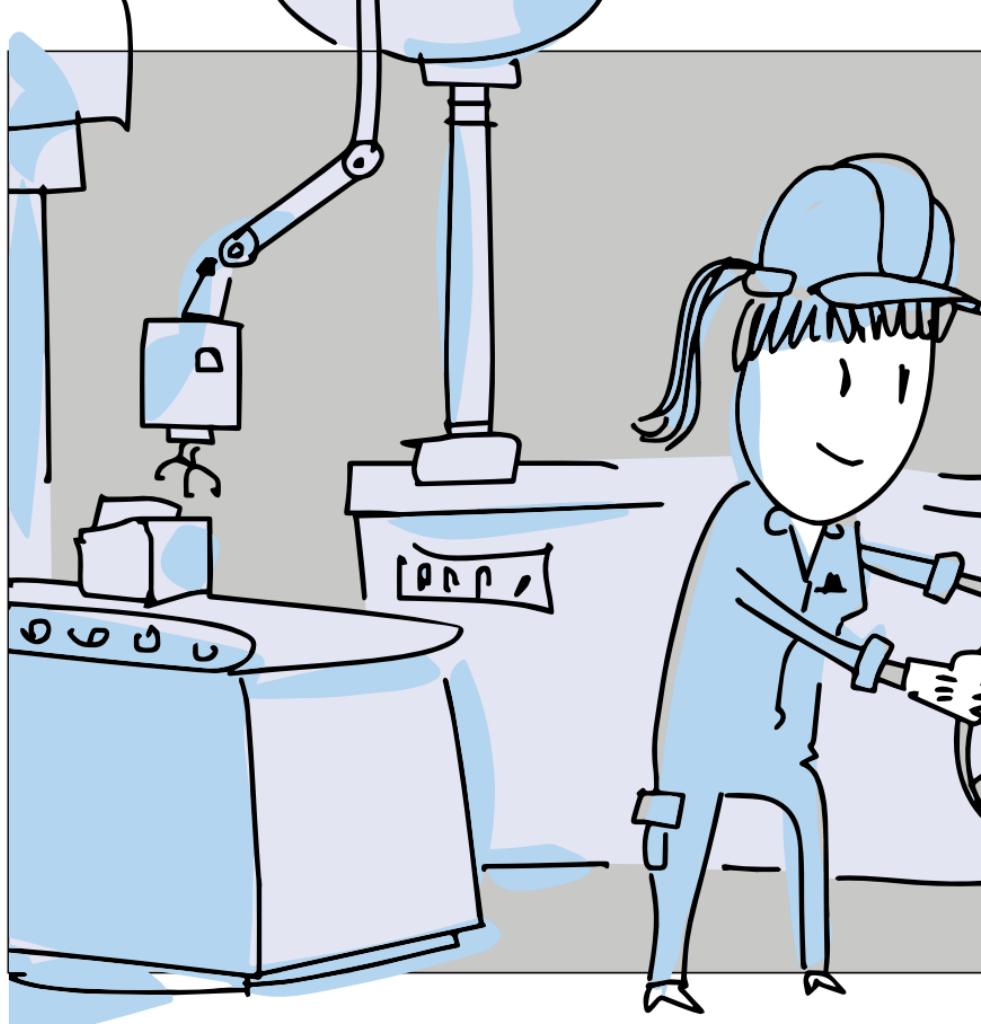
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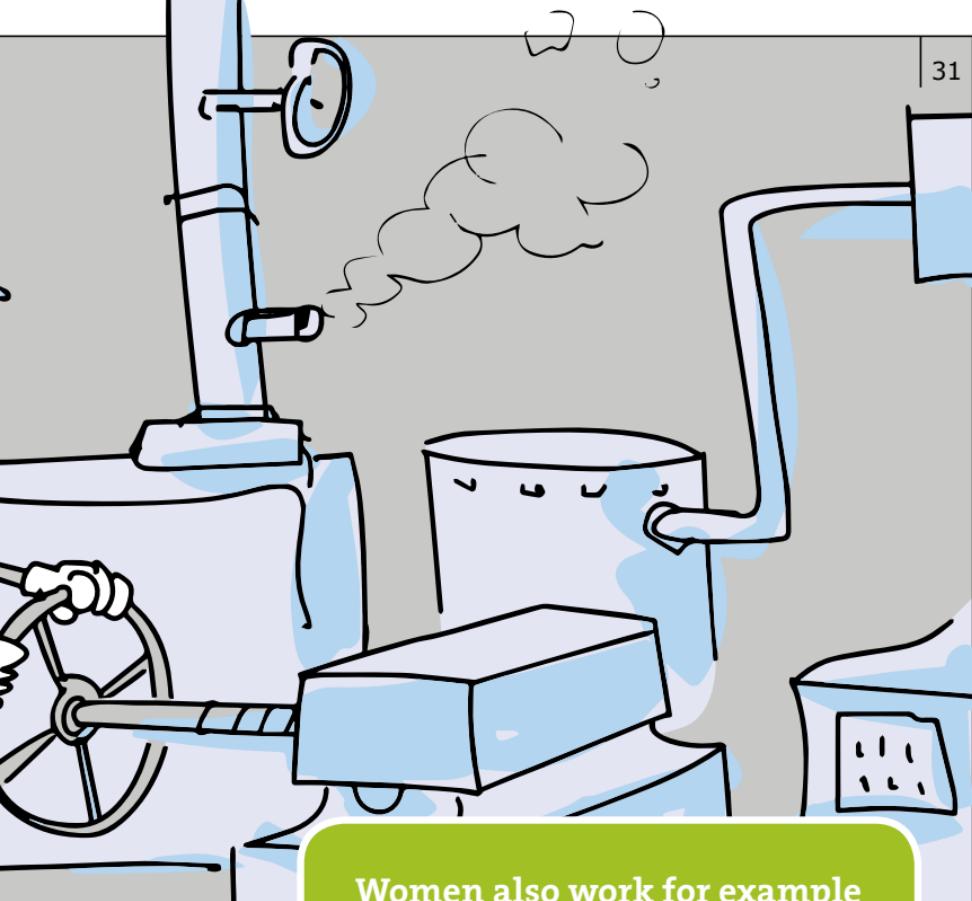


... they are artists or athletes.



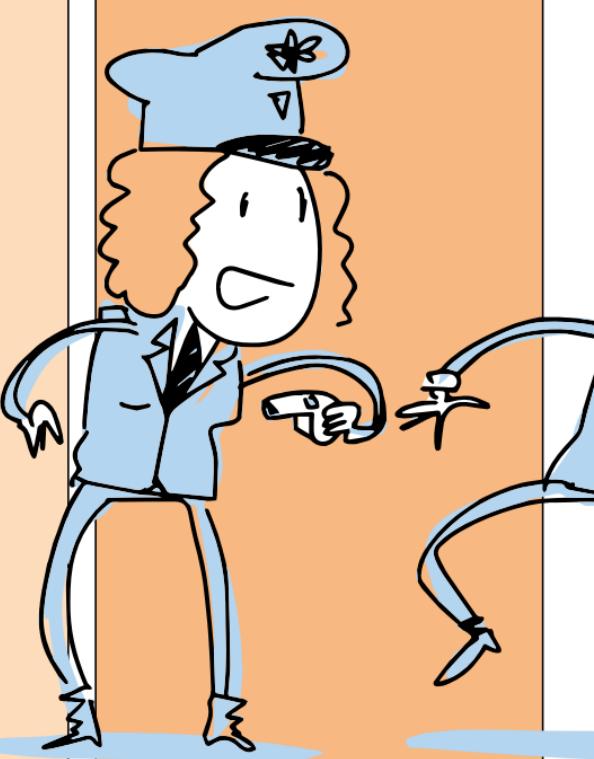






Women also work for example as industrial workers.

As police officers women prosecute suspects.





As judges, women
implement our laws.





Procedures and decisions made by women ...



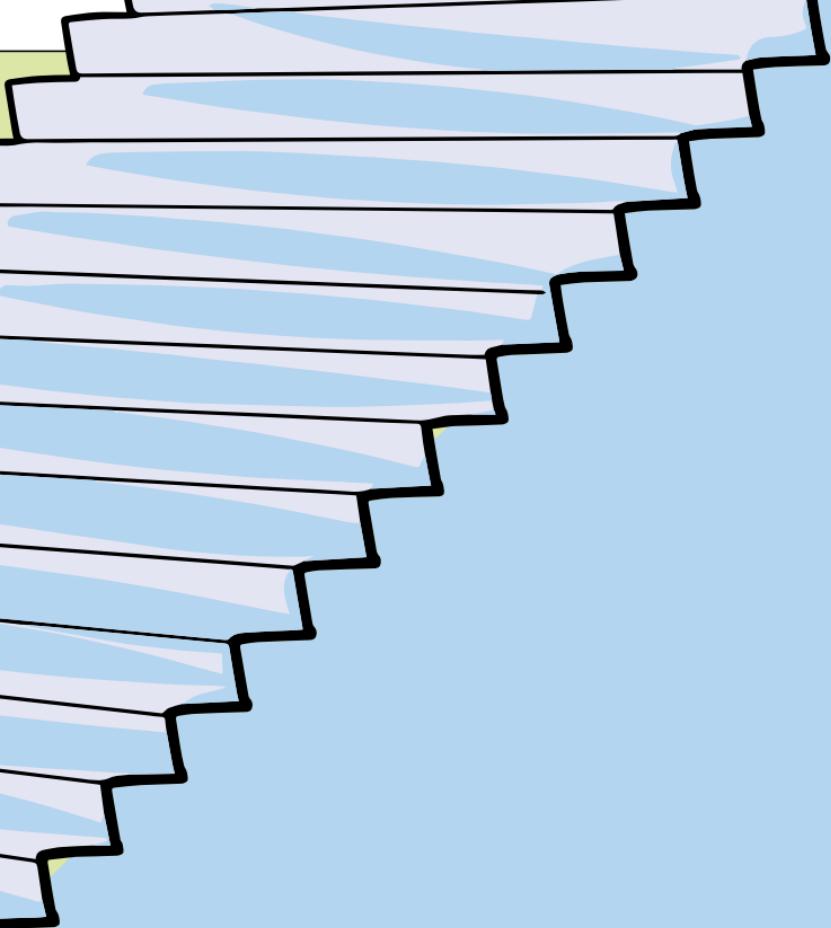
... are equally compulsory and binding as those of their male colleagues.

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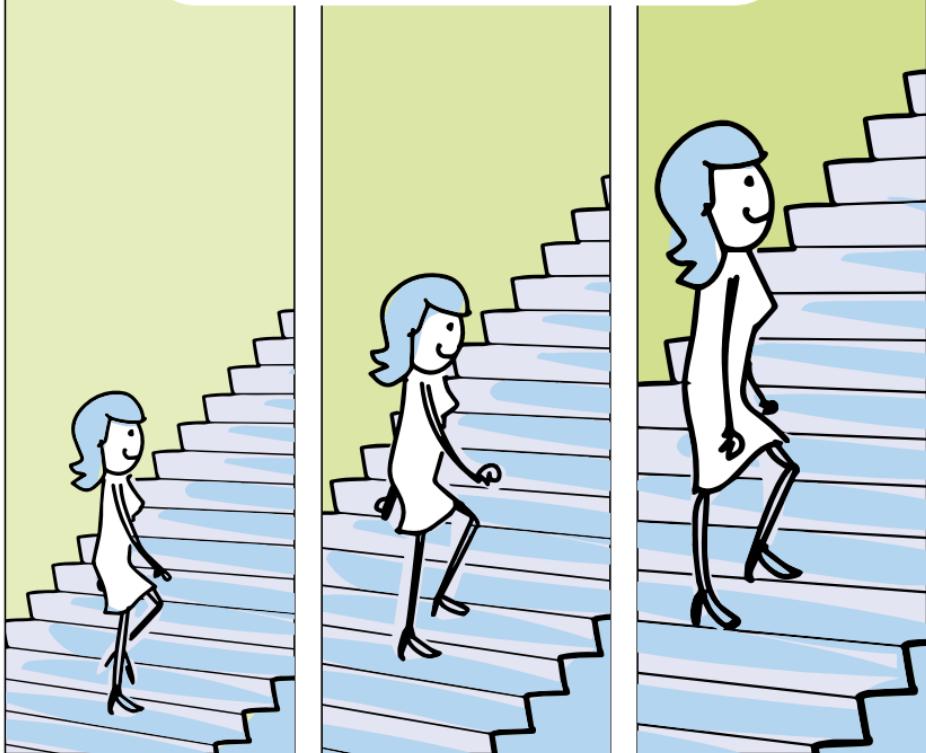


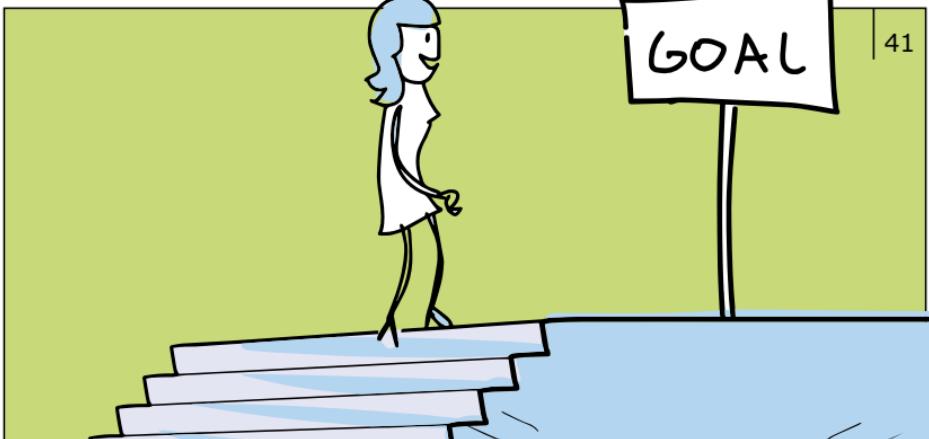
As you can see – women in Germany have every possibility ...





... to pursue their personal and professional goals.

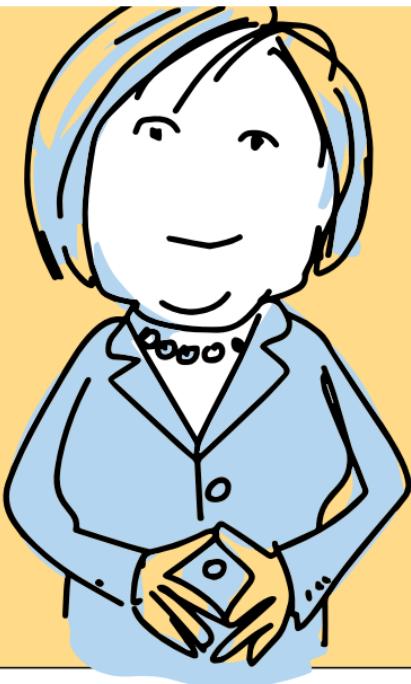


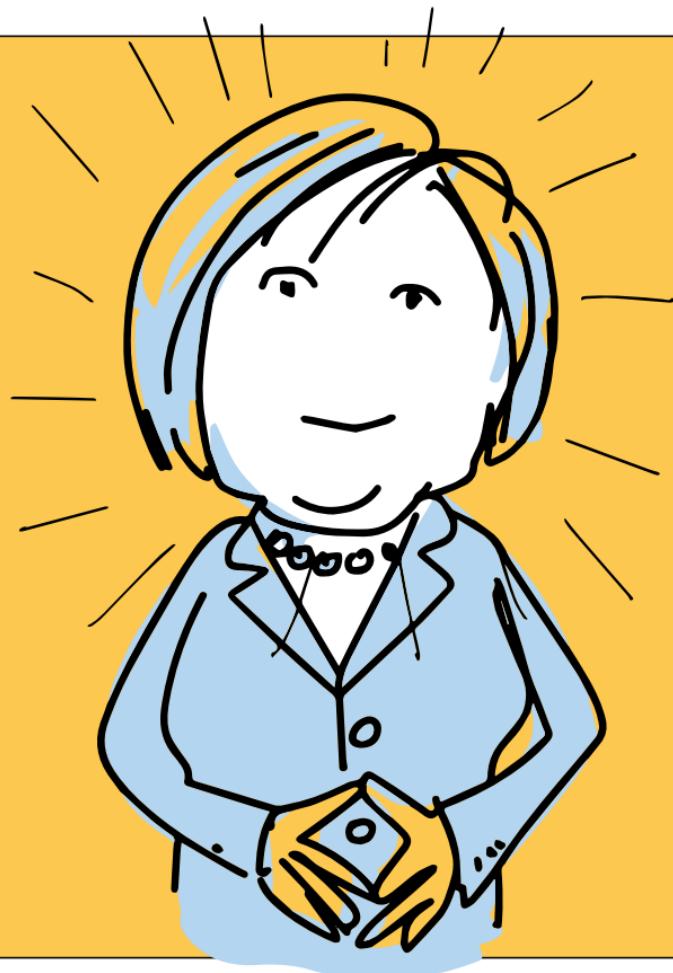


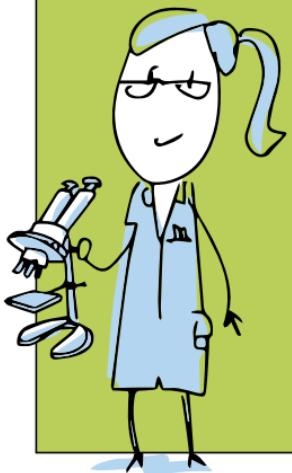
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Our chancellor Dr Angela Merkel is certainly a very prominent example, of what women can achieve in our country.



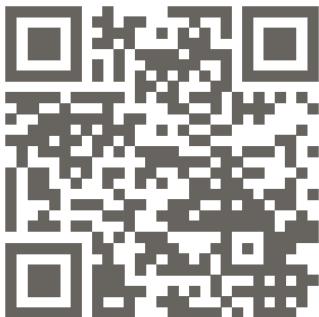




But she is not alone, we have millions of very successful women from all walks of life!

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**Interested?
Have a look at our films!**

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