

# We are fighting back! What about you?

Protest day against the raise of tuition fees

1. März 2018

Information sheet for the protest day



## Programm

### ETH Zentrum:

### ETH Hönggerberg:

14<sup>30</sup> Meeting Point HCI Piazza

14<sup>44</sup> Extra link to ETH Zentrum

15<sup>00</sup> Meeting Point Polyterrasse

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### **Joint start with protest march to the ETH board.**

At the building of the ETH board:

- speech of VSETH president (Lukas Reichart)
- one minute's silence
- handover of all the pictures to the ETH board

### **Joint march back to CAB building where the official end takes place**

## Slogans

- Wir sind kein Spielball der Politik!
- Mit meh Gebührä studiersch nit besser - aber länger!
- Gebührenerhöhung, soziale Zerstörung
- Kein Studierendengeld für's Politikschlachtfeld
- Wenn du kräftig sparen musst, dass ist jetzt mit der Uni Schluss.
- Reiche Eltern für alle.
- Nieder mit dem Geiz, bei der Bildung in der Schweiz.
- Arm oder reich, Bildung für alle gleich.
- Höhere Gebühren - wohin soll das führen?
- Education for all!

## The most important arguments

- The raise of tuition fees would only contribute 0.3% to the ETH budget. One third of this additional income is to be channelled into scholarships and two thirds into improving teaching. However, ETH Zurich can decide for itself how to allocate its budget.
- The number of students at ETH Zurich has increased by 46% in the last ten years. That way, students have to pay 80% more for their study costs within 15 years due to the little increase in investments in teaching.
- ETH students spend an average of 50 hours per week studying at ETH Zurich. So it is hardly possible to work alongside the studies. Especially students in precarious financial situations are already at their limits and can barely work to finance the higher tuition fees.
- The scholarship situation is already extremely difficult for many students nowadays and the higher tuition fees would mean that up to 32% of students would have to receive scholarships. This is totally irresponsible.
- A raise of tuition fees sets a precedent for future increases at ETH Zurich and other Swiss universities. We only have to resist out of solidarity with the younger students.

## Important rules

- No party flags!
- The stewards, the organizing committee and the police have the final word. Their instructions must be followed!
- The protest is directed against the planned increase of tuition fees and not against tuition fees in principle.
- Do not cover your face! The bandana shall be used as a protest and solidarity sign.
- The protest shall be a peaceful event. Any kind of riots will not be tolerated.

**Any questions left?**

**Do not hesitate to contact people  
wearing blue warning vests.**