

Beispiel Mediation

Aufgabenstellung

You are doing an internship for an international NGO focused on preventing climate change. Since you are able to speak German, you are tasked with finding out how Germany's new 2021 government coalition plans to combat climate change. During your research, you find the following [article](#).

Write a blog entry in which you outline in what way the new coalition wants to change traffic in order to curb (eindämmen) climate change.

Beispielhafte Lösung

How Germany's new coalition wants to adjust traffic in order to fight climate change

Germany is known to be the land of cars: 48 million cars are currently registered. However, cars play a major role in speeding up climate change. How does Germany plan to combat climate change, now that the new coalition consisting of The Green Party, SPD and FDP is in place?

To start off, attitudes regarding the future of cars are different, even among the coalition parties. However, all agree that diesel- and gasoline powered cars need to go. Center-right parties such as the FDP are open to any kind of environmentally-friendly technology. Left-leaning parties such as the SPD and The Green Party focus on promoting electric cars.

While all parties want to incentivize the use of electric cars, they have different ideas on how to do so: The FDP wants to expand "emission trading": The idea of having to pay according to the amount of emissions caused, therefore making it worthwhile for companies to reduce emissions. The Green Party on the other hand wants to continue subsidizing the purchase of electric cars.

The left-leaning parties of the coalition also want to put a speed limit in place – they want drivers to go no faster than 130 km/h (80 mph) on freeways. The FDP however has other plans.

Lastly, The Green Party and the SPD want to expand public transportation and cycle tracks. The Green Party in particular also wants to halt the construction of new roads.

What do you think about the measures that Germany's new government is planning to take? Is it going to be enough to effectively curb (eindämmen) climate change? Let us know in the comments!

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