

## The Turks of Germany organized a protest against the performance reflecting the Armenian Genocide

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The performance of the play based on the novel written by Edgar Hilsenrath "A fairy tale before the death" took place in Konstanz Drama Theatre, which was about the 1915th Armenian Genocide in the Ottoman Empire.

On the previous day of the premier the theatre demanded to cancel the premier, set on the 21 of March. Besides, the Embassy of Turkey in Karlsruhe asked to present the audience, before each performance, that the events of those years are explained differently.

It is reported that on the first day of the performance there was a protest in front of the theatre and almost 100 people took part in it. The protesters' anger rose because of the poster, in which it was depicted a person covered with a white blanket above which the Turkish flag was floating. In the text it was quoted Recep Tayyip Erdoğan's speech: "There was no genocide in our history" reported the "dpa" agency.

The Armenian community of Baden-Württemberg, in its turn, expressed its satisfaction on the protest. "The fact that Turkey still denies the Armenian Genocide shows their ignorance, even if they demand Germany to distort the history, that's already a distraction. Here, in Konstanz, we are following the unreasonable struggle against the historic truth and art freedom."

As it is reported the premier took place, but the theatre posters were taken away and as Kristof Nick, the director of the theatre, explained "it was done out of the respect towards the Turkish Community."