

Portrait of Louise Otto (1892)

Abstract

The author and journalist Louise Otto (1819–1895), portrayed in this wood engraving from 1892, became politically active in the Revolution of 1848–49 by publishing the *Frauen-Zeitung* (*Women's Newspaper*). A founder of the German women's movement and cofounder of the General German Women's Association (1865), she called for women to be granted education, employment, and the right to vote. Though the association did not exclude female workers from membership, it was clearly bourgeois in its outlook. Consequently, it also espoused a commitment to the ideas of family and nation.

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