

## Press release

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## **Charity concert at Berlin State Opera**

The European Central Bank (ECB) and the Deutsche Bundesbank are lending their support to a concert promoting peace organised by the Berlin State Opera together with its orchestra and choir under the musical direction of Daniel Barenboim. The concert will take place in Berlin at 11:00 CET on Sunday, 6 March 2022.

ECB President Christine Lagarde and Bundesbank President Joachim Nagel will attend the concert. The two have expressed their horror at Russia's attack on Ukraine. "In this dark moment for Europe, our thoughts are with the people of Ukraine," said Ms Lagarde, while Dr Nagel remarked that "Our thoughts are with all those enduring suffering under this shocking attack. It is important that we come together to show our solidarity."

The ECB and the Bundesbank are supporting the charity campaign with their own donations. All proceeds from the concert as well as any further donations will benefit the Ukraine Humanitarian Fund (UHF) of the United Nations, which is providing humanitarian aid to the people of Ukraine. To this end, the Bundesbank has set up a donations account for the Ukraine Humanitarian Fund.

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The concert will also be livestreamed on rbbKultur.

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