

## The act of violence at Alexanderplatz is shocking

**Berlin, 16 October 2012** Due to a severe attack at Berlin Alexanderplatz in the early morning hours of Sunday, a young man died in the hospital on Monday.

Burkhard Kieker, CEO of visitBerlin, states: "Our deep sympathy is with the relatives of the victim. The violence is shocking. There is no way such incidences can be allowed to happen in Berlin. By means of the police' resources of a major city, such violent assaults must be pursued and punished, in order that locals and tourists in our city can continue to feel safe and the image of Berlin will not suffer damage."

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