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We Aim to:

- Strengthen the European movement for choice in dying.
- Encourage formation of RTD societies in countries which do not have them.
- Share knowledge & experience among member societies.
- Represent at European organisations the interests of those who want choice in dying.
- Oppose those who deny choice & self-determination at life's end
- Campaign for the universal legal recognition of living wills.
- Seek universal social acceptance & legal recognition of self-determination & aid in dying.

Our Position:

- We seek freedom & self-control for all towards the end of life, the observance of all human rights, & realistic opportunities for compassionate exercise of these rights to relieve suffering at life’s end.
- We believe doctors can inflict great harm on patients by ignoring their wishes to die.
- We insist everyone should acknowledge patients’ freedom & power to exercise choice towards the end of life.
- We seek to influence others to promote the interests of all people towards the end of life & support their right to choice in living & dying well.
- We are pleased to note RTDE is an INGO holding Participatory Status at the Council of Europe since 2013.

Endorsed by all those signing below at Brussels, October 2017.

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