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## **Abstract der Dissertation**

The aim of this dissertation is to complete an economic and business history analysis of the Berlin fashion industry during the 1920s and 1930s. In particular, this study proffers views into the internal and external makeup of the sector, considering economic impact, institutional infrastructure and embeddedness within international fashion networks. Through this, the work intends to address the dearth of English language literature and business and economic history research on the Berlin fashion industry.

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