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2 **Welcome to Thuringia's Youth Associations!**

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4 The Landesjugendring Thüringen e.V. (Regional Youth Council of Thuringia) and its member
5 associations, as well as their subdivisions, welcome **every young person** who respects the
6 dignity of all human beings as well as the diversity of cultural attitudes.

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8 We would particularly like to invite young people with a migration background and those
9 who are seeking refuge from war, persecution, oppression, natural disasters or lack of eco-
10 nomic prospects to participate in projects, activities and educational events offered by the
11 youth associations.

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13 Not only do we want to welcome young people with a migration background, we also want
14 to actively approach them, promote encounters on equal terms and learn from one another.
15 We encourage young people and young adults to organise themselves and to participate in
16 Thuringia's youth associations which are all joined together in the Landesjugendring Thür-
17 ingen e.V.. We also provide support to young people wanting to start-* their own youth as-
18 sociation.

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20 We welcome civil society activists showing their solidarity with and support of migrants and
21 refugees and want to contribute to the promotion of democracy, diversity, humanity and
22 especially integration into society. For this reason we are strongly opposed to any kind of
23 xenophobic protest as well as propaganda directed against people who are seeking refuge in
24 our country.

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26 As youth associations, we strongly condemn all kinds of inhuman, racist, anti-semitic, na-
27 tionalist, right-wing populist and extreme right-wing slogans and actions.

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29 In our associations, we do not tolerate any form of exclusion, discrimination or hatred
30 against other people - irrespective of their origin, gender, sexual orientation, their physical
31 or mental abilities, skin colour, religion, social origin or residence status. **We welcome all**
32 **young people.**