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BUENDNIS 90/ DIE GRUENEN IN THE THURINGIAN STATE PARLIAMENT



Dear readers,



The parliamentary group BUENDNIS 90/ DIE GRUENEN is represented with six seats in the Thuringian state parliament in the 6th legislature period. We are the only group that consists of equal numbers of male and female representatives. After the state elections in September 2014, we also had a change of perspective:

There is a red-red-green state government in Thuringia for the first time – with two GREEN-run ministries!

We want to push Thuringia forward - democratically, socially, ecolo-

gically! Together with our green ministries and our coalition partners, we want to change direction towards the future, with policies for the generations to come.

We have set ourselves some ambitious goals to achieve this,

for example, when it comes to nature and the environment, more ecological agriculture, strengthening civil society, integration of refugees, more political participation, and equality of opportunities for all Thuringians. We support initiatives, associations, and networks that work for sustainable, environmentally responsible, democratic, and equal development. At the same time, we participate consistently in the fight against right-wing extremism and racism. We take action ourselves on this matter. We oppose right-wing populist slogans with our clear views and solutions and represent these views openly and consistently in discussions – repeatedly and as often as we have to!

You can find out more about our work in the Thuringian state parliament in this leaflet.

Yours,

Dirk Adams Parliamentary group chairman



Green politics in the Thur ingian state parliament

Contents are always a priority for BUENDNIS 90/DIE GRUENEN. We push forward with constructing concepts, moving minds, and driving discussions. We stand for reliable and sustainable policies in the federal government, the state parliaments, in many communities, and of course within the red-red-green state government of Thuringia.

Green policy is consistent policy...

... whether to preserve our creation, advocate for the energy revolution, for ecological agriculture, or to strengthen consumer rights. The nuclear phase-out marked the beginning of a new socio-ecological era. There now has to be a fundamental shift in thinking, economics, and organisation. A turning away from faith in growth towards a Thuringia worth living in. A Thuringia where we reflect on the strengths of our regions and stop living at the expense of future generations.

In every policy area...

... from migration and integration policy, to environmental and educational issues, to network and economic policy – as part of our participation in the government, for the first time we have the opportunity to process the decades of neglect by the CDU-led state governments in Thuringia. We want to enhance the potential of the free state, with a holistic approach and concrete measures.

Especially when it comes to the state finances...

... because despite the great challenges we faced trying to accommodate the many thousands of refugees in 2015, we were able to close the first red-red-green financial year without issuing new debt. We have drawn up a solid double budget for the coming years 2016 and 2017, which sufficiently finances municipalities, pursues a course of consolidation as far as possible, and still focuses on investing in the future.

Green policy is better...

... because it puts people at the centre. We want an open society in which it is normal to be different – regardless of gender, race, sexual identity, or age. We campaign for a fair and inclusive labour market and family policies that consider the needs of young and old, men and women alike. And more than any other party we stand for transparency and citizen participation. This is because comprehensible and majority-based decisions are an essential condition for the acceptance of political decisions.

Green policy works...

... because it is honest and independent. A policy that makes the free state viable for the future. The concept of "sustainability" is crucial for us. A concept that originated hundreds of years ago in the forestry sector is no less topical today: we should only harvest so much that fruit can still grow in the years to come. As the BUENDNIS 90/DIE GRUENEN group in the Thuringian Parliament, we uphold this understanding of sustainability. Our central principles are:

- Preservation of natural resources
- Intergenerational equity
- · Equality of opportunities and social justice
- Dismantling outdated role models
- Citizen participation and experienceable democracy
- Tolerance and an open society