

## **Shaping solidarity and sustainability in Thuringia.**

### **Securing our livelihood.**

We desire a Thuringia where social cohesion is strong, where justice is done and where the people feel secure. This is the compass that guides us, and this is how Bodo Ramelow's government has led the state. We will continue to do so into the future, for the benefit of all.

Rents are rising in Jena, Erfurt and Weimar, and housing space is growing scarce. This is why we will be **freezing rents** in these cities for five years and stepping up the construction of affordable, low-cost apartments. Additionally, we will form a state-owned housing association that will assist with promoting the need for an age-appropriate **conversion of** apartments across the country.

We will maintain all **schools** - those close to home, as well as those throughout your network. This means that a good education will be guaranteed for all children who live in rural areas. And to ensure a good education even before school has begun, we will provide **kindergarten** completely free of charge and endeavour to improve the quality of care for our youngest children.

We will facilitate **mobility from door to door**. To achieve this, we will connect not only trains, buses, and trams but also taxis, car and bicycle sharing, as well as on-call bus and driving services, via a Thuringian transport association. In doing so, we will promote climate-neutral transport.

We are strengthening our **health service** to meet the needs of an ageing population in particular. To this end, we will combine hospitals close to home with outpatient care and geriatric medicine.

**Effective healthcare**, in case of illness and in old age, will become the norm throughout Thuringia. To achieve this, we are advocating for more nursing staff in hospitals as well as better remuneration for nurses who care for the elderly. This is for the benefit of both patients and employees.

The economy in Thuringia is developing, and unemployment is falling. We will continue forward on this path. However, East Germans, including those in Thuringia, remain at a disadvantage in terms of pensions, wages and career opportunities, even 30 years after reunification. This must end. We will continue to fight for a living wage for those who live in Thuringia. We advocate for **bringing pensions and wages into line with West Germany, and for more East Germans in leadership positions**.

And for those who depend on the support of society to get by, we are testing a new model of basic social security through a new project.

The **Thuringian Forest** is the green lifeline of Thuringia and our greatest ecological treasure. The damage caused by drought and bark beetles will be resolved as quickly as possible. To address this, we will be launching a major reforestation program.

We will protect the **natural foundation of life**, by preserving rural agriculture and supporting the efforts of farmers in sustainable management. We prohibit speculation with land and property.

The guarantor of this policy is **Prime Minister Bodo Ramelow**. A government led by Bodo Ramelow will ensure that politics in Thuringia continues to be characterised by solidarity and security.

You, dear Thuringians, have the power in your hands to continue on this path: by casting your **first and second vote for DIE LINKE in the state elections on 27 October 2019**.