

## FINALLY, CULTURE AGAIN: WINTERSHALL DEA SPONSORS TICKETS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES

- Wintershall Dea sponsors ticket allocation for "Kulturzelt Goes Open Air"
- As the main sponsor, the company is promoting local cultural participation and social cohesion
- Allocation in collaboration with the "Treppe 4" house of social economy

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**Kassel.** Together with the "Treppe 4" house of social economy, Wintershall Dea is supporting cultural participation in Kassel. The company is awarding 150 tickets in total for three open-air concerts organised by the "Kulturzelt Ins Freie" (Kulturzelt Goes Open Air) project to children, young adults and families. As the main sponsor, the company is thus helping to strengthen social cohesion in Kassel and promote participation in cultural events. 40 tickets each for the concerts given by the indie trio *BLOND* (31.07.), the Berlin electropop group *MIA* (07.08.) and the one-man band *Bummelkasten* playing children's music (14.08.), will be given away, in collaboration with "Treppe 4" to children, young people and families who have been especially restricted in their social and cultural life since the outbreak of the pandemic.

This includes, in particular, young people from low-income families, those living with a disability or those whose access to culture is generally



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impeded due to a background of addition, illness or migration. A further 30 tickets for the concerts will be given, in collaboration with media partners, to young people and young adults.

"Children, young people and young adults have had to live for months with severe restrictions due to the pandemic: at school, university or day care, as well as in sport, leisure and culture. And they have demonstrated great responsibility in doing just that and have also been waiting very patiently for months behind older people when it comes to getting vaccinated. We think that deserves more social recognition," says Mario Mehren, CEO and Chairman of the Board of Wintershall Dea. "We want to send a signal with our ticket campaign. Because it's important to give back a more carefree life this summer especially to young people. We want to also contribute to that as the main sponsor of the Hessenkulturbahn."

Rosa-Maria Hamacher from "Treppe 4", managing director of the welfare organisation "Der Paritätische Hessen" in Kassel, is looking forward to the collaboration. "Young people, children and families struggled in particular with isolation and social deprivation during the hard phase of the pandemic," she says. "A summer visit to a concert is a step out of the isolation especially for young people with disabilities. The fact that we can all now celebrate together again is a great message that we are happy to support."



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"Treppe 4" represents social organisations and institutions providing care, support and advice in Kassel and the region. The "Kulturzelt ins Freie" project offers an extensive and varied cultural programme at the Hessenkampfbahn sports arena as an alternative to the Kulturzelt Kassel, which was cancelled due to the pandemic.

More information at: <a href="https://www.kulturzeltinsfreie.de/">https://www.kulturzeltinsfreie.de/</a>

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As a European gas and oil company, we support the EU's 2050 carbon neutrality target. As our contribution we have set ourselves ambitious targets: We want to be net zero across our entire upstream operations – both operated and non-operated – by 2030. This includes Scope 1 (direct) and Scope 2 (indirect) greenhouse gas emissions on an equity share basis. In addition Wintershall Dea will bring methane emissions intensity below 0.1 per cent by 2025 and maintain zero routine flaring of associated gas in its operations. The climate goals are to be achieved through portfolio optimization, emissions reduction through more energy efficiency, investments in nature-based compensation solutions and in future technologies such as hydrogen and CCS. **You can find more about this in our Sustainability Report.** 

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