

The challenges of immigrant descendant's integration in Europe

**Their competencies and experiences
and the challenges for the social and
education system in Germany:
young male violent Russian
immigrants**

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Competencies and experiences with violence

- Violence is an everyday experience
- Violence is accepted by society
- Young boys are expected to be violent
- Violence is a conflict solving program in peer groups



Challenges for social and education system

- Some boys have internalised the importance of traditional masculinity
- The peer group is of high importance for the boys
- Boys and parents have different attitudes and expectations regarding the role of institutions



Challenges for social and educational system

- School has to balance between „modern“ and „traditional“ school
- There are lots of misunderstandings between parents, youth and professionals:
- Youth work: support vs. control
- Police and Prison: in some cases low reputation



Challenges

- Professionals: missing informations about the background of the target group
- Cultural gap between professionals and youth, and between professionals
- Understanding eachother



Challenges

- Checking certainty: new chances for improving services
- Integration as a chance for learning for both
- Example: Leisure time activities, e.g. Body – orientation

