



## Resolution on the events in France

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The European Youth Forum and its member organisations are deeply concerned by the events which have taken place in Paris' suburbs, and in several others towns and cities across Europe.

We believe these events reflect the difficulties encountered by many young people in Europe, i.e. difficulties to access employment, housing, education, and their full rights as citizen.

The European youth Forum believes that it is also necessary to pursue a dialogue with disaffected youth in order to be able to better understand these events from their point of view. Many of these young people reject violence and want a chance to tackle the root causes of social exclusion and discrimination through constructive partnership. The European youth Forum and its member organisations are committed to creating such a partnership.

If we really wish to denounce and combat the excess of violence, european countries must commit themselves to an ambitious and long-term policy towards youth in order to ensure the full respect of citizens' rights and social cohesion in Europe.