



Queer Football Fanclubs-
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FOOTBALL HAS NO GENDER

During the upcoming FARE (Football against racism Europe) Action Weeks, lasting from October, 9th to 23rd, many queer football fanclubs will join a Europe-wide common banner campaign. In each stadium the common banner will sport the home team colors to express the passion for their own clubs on one hand, on the other hand it is designed to show the unity in the common fight against discrimination.

The banner's slogan 'Football has no gender' was chosen to stress that in football any discussion about sexual identities is not appropriate: the ball doesn't care who kicks it, nor should that matter to the people who attend the game. In the end, everybody involved in football - whether European, Asian, African, jewish, muslim, christian, heterosexual, gay, lesbian, male, female or transgender - is interested that it will be a great game for EVERYBODY. And this desire does not fit with discrimination.

The hidden worldview behind abusive chants like 'you are all gay', 'a gay kick', 'pussy' or 'cunt', considers otherness as bad, unworthy, disgusting, and at worst not worthy to live. Such an attitude should be unacceptable to the audience in the stadium. With its large-scale action, QFF, as a Europe-wide network with about 1200 organised football fans, aims to ensure that all people in the stadium feel comfortable; therefore they want to encourage 'the silent majority' to speak up when someone next to them shouts insulting slogans.

Not listening is rendering assistance! Football has no sexual orientation. FOOTBALL HAS NO GENDER.

Support and help us so that discrimination in football environment soon be a thing of the past. Many thanks!

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