# **Cookies Policy**

While this site may use cookies, we will not use them to store confidential data, or to attempt to identify you.

We understand that you may be concerned about privacy issues that surround the use of the Internet. BeLonG To Youth Services values and respects all individuals and organisations. We believe that you should have control over who receives your personal information, whether it concerns where you live, what your interests are, or how you choose to conduct transactions.

This policy relates to our practices in connection with this website (www.belongto.org). We are not responsible for the content, copyright, cookies or privacy policies of other websites. Any external links to other websites are clearly identifiable as such.

### What are cookies?

Cookies are small text files that are set to your web browser, allowing the website operator to provide services for web users, such as registration, online discussion or making a donation. Cookies also provide information to the website operator about which pages and services are being used and how often.

### Which cookies does the BeLonG To website use?

BeLonG To Youth Services uses a number of its own cookies to provide web services to you and other users. It also uses a number of third party cookies – meaning they are set by the organisation that provides the service – to offer content and services, such as blogs, forums, video, images, subscriptions and social network sharing on its web pages. A final category of cookies used on BeLonG To Youth Services web pages by third party providers, such as Google, allows BeLonG To Youth Services to anonymously measure how popular its web pages and services are, and also how often they are visited. For a full list of the cookies used across the BeLonG To Youth Services website and what they do, please scroll down to the table at the bottom of this page.

### Why does BeLonG To need to use cookies?

Some cookies are important for the seamless delivery and smooth running of BeLonG To's web services while others allow BeLonG To to anonymously measure how successful its content is among web users. This data evaluation, also known as 'analytics', helps BeLonG To plan future content and digital services that benefit its affiliates and worldwide audience.

## How are cookies helpful when using the BeLonG To website?

Cookies allow BeLonG To to offer its web users access to membership services and enhanced content across BeLonG To web pages such as video, image slideshows, blogs, forums, profiles, events and social network sharing. The cookies that enable these services can be blocked although this may impair the way in which you experience the web page and, in some cases, prevent the content or service from being accessed or properly loaded.

### Implementation of the EU e-Privacy Directive

Since May 26th 2012, websites operating in the EU must implement the EU e-Privacy Directive. Under this law, [European Communities (Electronic Communications Networks and Services)(Privacy and Electronic Communications) Regulations 2011], websites are required to get visitor's informed consent before placing a cookie on their machine. BeLonG To's website contains a pop-up which seek the users informed consent to accept cookies being placed on their machine in accordance with this cookie policy.

<u>Further information on the EU e-Privacy Directive is available from the Office of the Data Protection</u> <u>Commissioner.</u>

## How can I control cookies?

You can control cookies via your browser settings
You can delete cookies from your browser settings

#### Google Analytics Opt-out Browser Add-on

Google have produced a browser add-on which when installed correctly to your internet browser will provide website visitors with the ability to prevent their data from being used by Google Analytics. You can learn more about the opt-out browser add-on and how to install it here.

### <u>Useful links</u>

Useful information about cookies: <a href="http://www.aboutcookies.org/">http://www.aboutcookies.org/</a>

Your online choices: a guide to online behavioural advertising: <a href="http://www.youronlinechoices.eu/">http://www.youronlinechoices.eu/</a>

### **Data Protection Policy**

To find out more about BeLonG To's treatment of your data and how to access a copy of your data please see BeLonG To's Data Protection Policy << link required>>.

#### Contact us

Please email BeLonG To at info@belongto.org if you have any other concerns or questions about our use of cookies.

# Approved On

This policy was agreed by the Board of Directors of BeLonG To Youth Services Ltd. on 21st October 2014.

Cookie	Name	Purpose	Information
Google Analytics	_utma	Stores each user's	For full details please
		amount of visits, and	visit the <u>Google</u>
		the time of the first	Analytics privacy site
		visit, the previous visit,	
		and the current visit.	
Google Analytics	_utmb	Used to check	For full details please
		approximately how	visit the <u>Google</u>
		long you stay on a site:	Analytics privacy site
		when a visit starts, and	
		approximately ends	
Google Analytics	_utmc	Used to check	For full details please
		approximately how	visit the <u>Google</u>
		long you stay on a site:	Analytics privacy site
		when a starts, and	
		approximately ends	
Google Analytics	_utmz	Stories where a visitor	For full details please
		came from (search	visit the <u>Google</u>
		engine, search	Analytics privacy site
		keyword, link)	
Google Analytics	ASP.NET_SessionId	Used to check	Please visit the
		approximately how	Microsoft ASP.NET site
		long you stay on a site:	<u>cookies overview</u>
		when a visit starts, and	
		approximately ends	
Citrix	NSC_QH-46993	Used to ensure traffic	
		and user data is routed	
		to the correct locations	
		so that the user has a	
		consistent experience	