



Bernburg

Borne

Leiria

Rheine

Trakai

**Climate partnership – Twin towns assume responsibility for climate protection
Conference 2014 in Rheine
Topics: Town planning, Area Management, Participation of Citizens**

Tuesday, 24 June 2014

Arrival of the delegations
from 19:00 Dinner buffet, Restaurant Buoni Amici, Stadthalle Rheine

Wednesday, 25 June 2014

Centre for Adult Education „Volkshochschule und Musikschule“, Neuenkirchener Straße 22, 48431 Rheine

9:30 **Opening the conference**

Welcome address by Dr Angelika Kordfelder, Mayoress of the town of Rheine

Opening address by Mr Michael Theben, Deputy Head of Department of Ministry for Climate Protection, Environment, Agriculture, Nature Conservation and Consumer Protection of the German State of North Rhine-Westphalia
Protection on „**Shaping a sustainable future in the state of North Rhine-Westphalia**“

10:30 Coffee break

10:45 **Welcome and opening speeches by representatives of the Climate Partnership towns**

Key note talk on **“Current challenges of climate protection faced by municipalities”**

Speaker: **Roland Schäfer**, Mayor of the town of Bergkamen,
Vice-President of the German Association of Towns and Municipalities
President of the Association of Towns and Municipalities of North Rhine-Westphalia

12:30 Lunch

13:30 **“Current town development, area management and citizen participation projects with regard to climate protection”** – speakers representing the towns of Bernburg, Borne, Leiria

14:45 Coffee Break

15:00 **“Current town development, area management and citizen participation projects with regard to climate protection”** – speakers representing the towns of Trakai and Rheine

16:00 **Guided sightseeing tour of Rheine focusing on projects in progress**

Construction sites of EmsGalerie, Triebwagenhalle-Bahnhof, Innovationsquartier-Einsteinhaus 1

18:00 Return to hotel

20:00 **Dinner at Lorenbeck´s Wirtshaus**, Borneplatz

Thursday, 26 June 2014

- 8:30 Departure by bus from City Club Hotel
- 9:00 **Area management – here: the conversion of former barracks of the Bundeswehr**
Presentation of solutions for their future use
– Location: former General-Wever-Kaserne and Gartenstadt Gellendorf
Departure for Saerbeck
- 11:00 **Excursion to Saerbeck: Presentation of “Saerbeck – the climate community”**
Visit to the Energy Experience Path, Tour of the Bio Energy Park
Welcome by Winfried Roos, Mayor of the municipality of Saerbeck
Guided tour by Guido Wallraven, Saerbeck
- 13:00 Lunch, Restaurant Markt 23, Saerbeck
Departure for Greven
- 15:30 **Excursion to Greven: Visit to two climate protection estates**
Olaf Pochert (climate manager) and Angela Makowa, (town planning and environment), Greven
Return to hotel by bus
- 19:00 Departure by bus from City Club Hotel to Rheine-Elte
Westphalian evening and dinner at Pöpping´s historic-farmhouses estate
- 22:30 Return to hotel
(approx.)

Friday, 27 June 2014

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- 9:30 Project report
“How Rheine is mobilizing its citizens to play an active part in climate protection”
 Speaker: Michael Wolters, Centre for Climate Protection Rheine
- 10:30 Coffee break
- 11:15 **Parallel workshops**
 1) How do the Climate Partnership towns induce citizen participation in climate protection projects?
 Moderated by: Clemens Schöpker, Chairman of the Rheine Twin-Town Association
 2) What ideas and proposals are there regarding the continuation of the climate project?
 Moderated by: Ursula Schäfer-Rehfeld, Transfer Centre for Appropriate Technologies (TAT)
- 12:15 Summary of the results in the plenary
- 13:00 Lunch at City Restaurant **Mongolei**
- 14:30 Key note talk on **“The European outlook on climate protection on a local level”**
 Speaker: **Bernd Semmelroggen**, leading assistant head of government department ad, member of the group of the independent experts of the convention to Charter of the local self-administration,
 current activity: Adviser of the vice-president of the congress of cities and regions of Europe
- 15:30 **Closing the conference**
 Dr Angelika Kordfelder, Mayoress of the town of Rheine
Signing of a Joint Declaration of the twin towns
Press conference and summary
- 16:15 Coffee break
- 18:00 Departure by bus from City Club Hotel to Rheine-Bentlage
 Salinenpark: Joint planting of a tree / NaturZoo Rheine: guided tour / Dinner at the **ZooBistro** in Rheine´s NaturZoo /
 Concluding speeches
- 22:30 Return to the hotel
 (approx.)

Saturday, 28 June 2014

Departure of the delegations