

GERMAN-UKRAINIAN MUNICIPAL PARTNERSHIPS CONFERENCE

13 TO 15 NOVEMBER 2023 IN LEIPZIG, GERMANY



TOGETHER FOR EUROPE: SOLIDARITY, RECONSTRUCTION, FUTURE PROSPECTS PROVISIONAL AGENDA

13 November 2023

15:00 Themed city tours

18:00 18:00 Moderated dialogue among partnerships in the Ukraine network at the Auerbachs Keller historic restaurant in Leipzig

Dinner together, with interpretation

14 November 2023

08:00 Registration and welcome coffee at the KONGRESSHALLE am Zoo in Leipzig

09:30 Welcome by the Host City of Leipzig and the Partner City of Kyiv (tbc)

Presentation of a best practice example from Leipzig and partner cities

Introducing the partnerships and municipalities present

Simultaneous → expert forums on best practices from municipalities, followed by discussion

12:45 Lunch

14:00 Welcome addresses by Burkhard Jung, Mayor of the City of Leipzig, and Dr Vitali Klitschko, Mayor of the City of Kyiv (tbc)

Welcome address by Michael Kretschmer, Minister-President of the Free State of Saxony

14:30 Round table for German and Ukrainian mayors and district chief executives, organised by the Association of German Cities in cooperation with the German County Association and the Association of German Towns and Municipalities

15:30 Coffee

14 November 2023 (Continued)

16:00 to 17:15 **Simultaneous panel discussions**
 → Together for a strong Europe: The contribution of municipal partnerships
 → Local self-government: a mandate for governance
 → Citizen participation in the context of municipal reconstruction

19:00 **Reception hosted by the City of Leipzig at the Kunstkraftwerk**

Welcome address by Svenja Schulze, Federal Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development

Dinner

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The ‚market of opportunities‘

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Welcome address by Frank-Walter Steinmeier, President of the Federal Republic of Germany

Video message by Wolodymyr Selensky, President of Ukraine (tbc)

Panel debate with the German and Ukrainian municipal associations:
Solidarity, reconstruction, future prospects – municipalities as key actors

11:20 **Coffee**

11:50 **Video message by Professor Timothy David Snyder,**
Professor of (Eastern European) History at Yale University (tbc)

Final panel: What can municipal partnerships contribute to reconstruction and European integration?

Svenja Schulze, Federal Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development
 Summary and looking ahead to the Reconstruction Conference in June 2024

13:00 **Lunch, market of opportunities**

15:00 **Simultaneous field trips**

19:00 **Dinner in the restaurant Ratskeller Leipzig**

21:00 **End of conference**

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