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**MUNICIPAL PARTNERSHIPS
FOR SUSTAINABILITY**



Municipal Partnerships for Sustainable Development

The United Nations 2030 Agenda includes 17 global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). For the first time, this Agenda links the principle of sustainability with economic, environmental and social development. Unlike previous systems of international goals, it applies equally to all countries of the world. Municipalities have a key role to play in successfully implementing the ambitious SDGs.

Project objective

The objective of the project 'Municipal Partnerships for Sustainability' is to establish a dialogue on the 17 SDGs and build strategic cooperation to implement them. By sharing lessons learned the participating municipalities will harness and develop their expertise as they work on the 2030 Agenda within their partnership. The partners will also jointly plan and implement various measures and activities to help achieve the SDGs.

What we offer municipalities

We support the municipalities in systematically integrating the themes of the 2030 Agenda into the work of their partnerships. We provide professional facilitation that enables municipalities to advise each other on developing sustainability strategies, or to jointly develop and implement innovative pilot measures. We also

- conduct and finance national and international networking meetings
- finance and facilitate reciprocal expert missions
- finance one awareness-raising event and one pilot measure in each municipality

What we expect from municipalities

- A willingness to cooperate on the SDGs on a long-term basis within the framework of the municipal partnership
- A guarantee that different departments of the municipality will cooperate with each other, and involve selected civil society actors
- Active participation in the networking meetings, as well as the kick-off and final workshops

Pilot phase

The two-year pilot phase was launched at the beginning of 2017. It involves twelve German municipalities together with their partners in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo and Serbia. By taking part in the project they are strengthening and further developing the work of their partnerships. The project also promotes strategic and integrated (i.e. cross-departmental) cooperation within the participating municipalities.

Participating partnerships

Partnerships in Bosnia and Herzegovina:

- Gelsenkirchen – Zenica
- Gera – Gorazde
- Langenhagen – Bijeljina
- Leipzig – Travnik
- Wolfsburg – Sarajevo

Partnerships in Kosovo:

- Kirchhain – Smirë (a village in the municipality of Viti)
- Troisdorf – Mushtisht (a village in the municipality of Suva Reka)

Partnerships in Serbia:

- Berlin (district of Treptow-Köpenick) / Munich – Subotica
- Ingolstadt – Kragujevac
- Offenbach am Main – Zemun
- Pfaffenhofen an der Ilm – Valjevo
- Municipal cluster of Bersenbrück – Ruma

Are you also interested in working on the 2030 Agenda as part of your municipal partnership with a German municipality? Then please get in touch with us. We'd be glad to advise you and your partners.