**Study visit Urban Agriculture in Ruhr Metropolitan Area, Germany**

**July 18th-20th, 2018**

**of the Erasmus+ project 586304-EPP-1-2017-BA-EPPKA2-CBHE-JP**

**Western Balkans Urban Agriculture Initiative – BUGI**

**Draft Agenda**

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| When | What | Where |
| July 17th  | **Arrival** |  |
| All day | Individual arrivals to Dortmund | From … to Dortmund |
|  | (further travel instructions see below) |  |
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| July 18th  | **“UA business models: Short food supply chains and Alternative Food Networks”** |  |
| 09:00 | Welcome, get to know each other, and general organization (*Bernd Pölling*) | Zentrum für Gehörlosenkultur, Huckarder Straße 2-8, Dortmund |
| 10:00 | Urban Agriculture in Germany and Ruhr Metropolitan Area (*Bernd Pölling*) |
| 11:00 | Coffee break |
| 11:15 | City-adjustment strategies and UA business models (*Bernd Pölling*) |
| 12:30 | Light lunch 🡪 Vegamaxx // Hofcafé  |
| 13:30 | Start of the tour  |  |
| 14:00 | **Werkhof**: Can social care and business profitability go together? (certified organic horticultural farm; huge tomato varieties; Short chains; social inclusion) (*Rita Breker-Kremer*)  | Werzenkamp 30, Dortmund |
| 16:00 | **Community-Supported Agriculture (CSA) Schulte-Tigges**: just an alternative illusion or a real business? (*Elmar Schulte-Tigges*) | Kümper Heide 21, Dortmund |
| 18:00 | Closure and optional joint dinner  |  |
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| July 19th  | **“Urban Agriculture Curriculum and Aquaponics”** |  |
| 09:00 | Tour to SWUAS, Department of Agriculture, in Soest | Train |
| 10:00 | Overview on SWUAS and Department of Agriculture (*Wolf Lorleberg*) | Lübecker Ring 2, Soest  |
| 10:30 | UA curriculum – lessons learned from the erasmus+ project “Urban Green Train” (*Bernd Pölling, Rolf Morgenstern)* |
| 12.00 | Introduction Aquaponics (*Rolf Morgenstern)* |
| 12:30 | Lunch (SWUAS canteen) |
| 13:45 | **SWUAS Aquaponic research and demonstration unit** (*Rolf Morgenstern*) |
| 14:45 | Tour to Dortmund | Train |
| 16:00 | **Dortmund as an Aquaponic innovation hub?** Activities of the NGO “Die Urbanisten e.V.” (*NN*) | Union Gewerbehof, Huckarder Str. 10-12, Dortmund |
| 18:00 | Closure  |  |
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| July 20th  | **“Co-production, diversification, and urban planning”** |  |
| 08:30 | Bus tour start  |  |
| 09:15 | **“Co-Production”: Urban gardening meets commercial urban farming**. The example of a rent-a-field concept and other on-farm diversification (*Hubertus Budde*) | Bauernhof Am Mechtenberg, Am Mechtenberg 5, Essen |
| 11:00 | **Urban planning and regional park “Emscher Landscapes Park”** in Ruhr Metropolitan Area (*Frank Bothmann, Elisabeth Lux, Regional Association Ruhr*) | Haus Ripshorst, Ripshorster Straße, Oberhausen |
| 12:30 | Light lunch (Haus Ripshorst) |  |
| 14:00 | Tour on **on-farm non-agricultural diversification** in Ruhr Metropolitan Area (to be defined)  | Essen, Castrop-Rauxel |
| 18:00 | Feedback (bus) and closure | Dortmund |
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| July 21st  | **Departure** |  |
| All day | Individual departure home | From Dortmund to … |

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**Travel guide**

**How to come to Dortmund**

* **Flight**
	+ For a first overview please see the map of airports in the federal state of North Rhine-Westphalia (Nordrhein-Westfalen), in which Dortmund is centrally located:



* + We propose to flight either to Dortmund Airport or to Düsseldorf Airport respectively Köln/Bonn Airport; some further information please see below:
	+ Dortmund Airport
		- Dortmund's airport is situated at the Southeastern city border of Dortmund. The city centre is easily reachable by local transportation means (bus, local train) or taxi.
		- There might be suitable cheap flights from Western Balkan countries to Dortmund (e.g. Wizzair)
	+ Düsseldorf Airport & Köln/Bonn Airport
		- Apart from Dortmund Airport also Düsseldorf Airport (DUS; please pay attention not to make use of the second Düsseldorf airport Weeze NRN) and Köln/Bonn Airport are comfortable flight destinations to reach Dortmund. By train it takes about an hour from Düsseldorf and less than two hours from Köln/Bonn to reach Dortmund.
* **Train**
	+ In case you are interested in travelling by train, you can make use of the website of the German railway company „Deutsche Bahn“ (DB; [www.db.de](http://www.db.de)) to look for train connections from your location to Dortmund
	+ An option might be a night train to Munich and then further on to Dortmund by e.g. the German high-speed train ICE (e.g. from Ljubljana it takes about 12 hours by train)
* **Car**
	+ Dortmund is very well connected to the German highway system
	+ You can easily make use of your navigation system / google maps to plan your car travelling to Dortmund



**Accommodations**

* Just search online

for individual

accommodation,

which suits your personal preferences.



**Expected additional costs**

**related to the study visits**

* Local transportation: in total ca. 35 €
	+ July 18th: local transportation: ca. 5 €/Person
	+ July 19th: Dortmund-Soest-Dortmund: 9 €/Person („Schöner Tag Ticket NRW“ 5 Pers.)
	+ July 20th: approx. 20 €/Person
* Lunches: in tital ca. 20 €
	+ July 18th: light lunch ca. 8 €
	+ July 19th: SWUAS canteen: ca. 6 €
	+ July 20th: Haus Ripshorst: ca. 6 €