

Dear participants of the International Transport Forum 2022,

I am extremely happy to welcome you back in person to Leipzig!

During the last 2 year we could not meet here due to the pandemic, and our bike tour as a traditional and special last highlight of every International Transport Forum took place only virtually.

It is a great pleasure to invite you to join me on a unique excursion to experience the very special atmosphere of our green and livable city – on a route besides the official touristic offers. We will discover some of our new investments in bike infrastructure on river and canal banks, different highlights of the industrial heritage and their modern use as well as a variety of leisure activities in community spaces created by citizens. For a short break we will make a picnic in a formerly train station area and enjoy some cold drinks and sweets.

I hope you will join me on this ride!

Burkhard Jung Mayor of Leipzig





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Practical information:

Start/End of the tour: 13:30 Congress Center, Transfer by Bus 14:00 Neues Rathaus, Martin-Luther-Ring 16:00 Neues Rathaus

All bags and belongings you don't need during the tour can be storaged in the transfer busses.





Leipzig by bike 2022 Discovering the unknown urban life

on tour with Mayor Burkhard Jung





Tour stations

- **Federal Administrative Court:** The building of the Federal Administrative Court was constructed in 1895. Until 1945 it was used as the premises of the Imperial Court of Justice. Partially destroyed during the World War II and rebuilt in 1952, it has been used over the years by various institutions. Today it is the seat of the Federal Administrative Court.
- 2 University quarter: The quarter is directly located in the city. Here, institutions like the University of Music and Theatre, the Academy of Fine Arts, and the University for Applied Sciences can be easily reached by thousands of students- as well as the big complexes of our main Leipzig University.
- **3** Sachsenbrücke: Due to its relaxed atmosphere, daily live music and coffee and ice cream vendors, the bridge of Saxony a symbol of the high quality of life in Leipzig. It is now colorated by the civil engaged community with "Warming stripes" to visualize the heating of our planet.
- Könneritzbrücke/ Buntgarnwerke: One of the largest industrial monuments in Germany are the Buntgarnwerke formerly used for the production of wool yarn. After the decline of the industrial heart of the city after 1990, this area was transformed into a residential complex with styling lofts. The formerly polluted river and canals are now a wonderful recreation area used by so many families and tourists with their small boats.
- **5** Karl Heine Canal: The extensively used cycle path on the canal bank was constructed in connection with its fundamental upgrading and cleaning. The path is almost entirely green with recreational and adventure spaces. For the future, the extension of the canal will be planned to go by boat directly from Leipzig to the river Elbe and the Northern Sea.
- 5 Niemeyer Sphere/Baumwollspinnerei: The Niemeyer Sphere is a modernist architectural element in the form of a sphere with a shell of concrete and glass, which is attached to the upper edge of a brick industrial building – the last realised design by the Brazilian architect Oscar Niemeyer (1907–2012).

It is located at a former industrial complex nearby the Baumwollspinnerei, home of artists, galleries, craft workers, designers, small shops and other creative minds. Twice a year, thousands of visitors are discovering the brand new exhibitions of contemporary art.

Bürgerbahnhof Plagwitz: This formerly train loading station was transformed into a community space where you can test a variety of activities like urban gardening, soccer or climbing possibilities. We will enjoy this special location for a short break with cold drinks and some sweets before returning to the City center.

