



METREX Hamburg Conference

on Climate Change, 28/11 – 01/12 2007

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Dear Colleagues,
dear Ladies and Gentlemen,



von Beust

Stopping the ongoing Climate Change is one of the greatest challenges of our time. The big cities and metropolitan regions will have to adapt and take effective measures against the increasing warming up of the atmosphere.

Therefore the Network of European Metropolitan Regions METREX and the Metropolitan Region of Hamburg organise a conference on cooperation in the field of climate change

in Hamburg from 28 November to 1 December 2007.

The METREX Hamburg Conference on Climate Change has the following goals:

- » adoption of a joint declaration of European metropolitan regions on climate change,
- » encouraging cooperation and exchange among big cities and European metropolitan regions on best practice, triggering off effective strategies and projects,
- » documentation and information on best practice as well as
- » starting a transatlantic dialogue on climate change among metropolitan and city regions in Europe and the U.S.



Dr. Steinacher

We cordially invite you to come to Hamburg and to actively take part in the conference. Big cities and metropolitan regions are being offered the opportunity to present their best practice during the conference (Power Point presentation, exhibition) and to contribute towards the planned best practice documentation. Please refer to the preliminary conference programme for details.

As follow-up to the METREX Hamburg Conference on Climate Change, the Northern Virginia Regional Commission and METREX will invite to a meeting in Greater Washington, which is to take place 9-12 April 2008.

We are looking forward to your contributions and to meeting you in Hamburg.

Ole von Beust
First Mayor of the
Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg

Dr. Bernd Steinacher
President of METREX
Regionaldirektor Verband Region Stuttgart

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The Network of European Metropolitan Regions and Areas

28 Nov - 1 Dec 2007

Meeting of the Network in Hamburg

Theme

**Climate Change - The Role of Metropolitan Regions
in the Current Debate - Best Practice and Cooperation**

Hosts

Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg - Metropolitan Region of Hamburg



City Hall and Small Alster Lake

Wednesday 28 November

Arrival of Delegates

Venue

Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg, City Hall

19:00

Registration

Welcome Address

Dr. Herlind Gundelach, State Secretary
Ministry for Urban Development and Environment

20:00

Get Together, Buffet Dinner



"Planten un Blomen", only one of the greenspots in the City Center

METREX	The Network of European Metropolitan Regions and Areas
Thursday 29 November	Policy Day
Venue	Chamber of Commerce, Adolphsplatz 1, Albert-Schäfer-Saal
09:00	<i>Registration</i>
Programme	Opening of the Hamburg Meeting
10:00	<p>Welcome Addresses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ole von Beust, First Mayor • Dr. Bernd STEINACHER, President of METREX
10:30	<p>The Climate Change Challenge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Dr. Martin Claussen, University of Hamburg, Director of Max Planck Institute for Meteorology
11:15	<p>Surviving the Century. Facing Climate Chaos</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stefan Schurig, World Future Council, Climate and Energy Director
12:00	<i>Buffet Lunch</i>
13:00	<p>Presentation of Climate Change Policy of U.S. City Regions Invitation to the Follow-up Conference in Northern Virginia, 9-12 April 2008</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gerald E. Connolly, Chairman of the Northern Virginia Regional Commission
14:00	<p>Presentation, Discussion and Adoption of the Final Declaration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roger Read, Secretary General of METREX
14:30	<p>Presentation of METREX-CO2 80/50 INTERREG Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction: Roger Read, Secretary General of METREX • Presentation of the GRIP-Tool: Dr. Sebastian Carney, University of Manchester • Glasgow: George Eckton, Through GRIP to Mitigation Policy - A Case Study for Spatial Planning
15:30	<p>METREX Member Case Studies: Presentations of Best Practice and Concepts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helsinki: Hannu Pentilla, Climate Strategy for Helsinki Metropolitan Area • Oslo/Akershus: Thomas Tvedt, The Initiative of a New Toll Ring • Lyon: Benoît Quignon, Greater Lyon Climate Plan • Stockholm: Michael Viehauser, Stockholm Heading for Zero CO2-Emissions • Nürnberg: Erich Maurer, Energy Region Factor 10 • Athens: Catherine Sykianaki, Metropolitan Area of Athens Facing Climate Change • Stuttgart: Dr. Bernd Steinacher, Regional Approaches to Climate Protection • Rhein-Neckar: Stefan Dallinger, Climate Protection Atlas
18:00	<i>End of the Policy Day</i>
20:00	<p>Dinner on Invitation of CONERGY AG Solar Systems and the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg <i>City Hall of Hamburg, Restaurant "Parlament"</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Axel Gedaschko, Minister for Urban Development and Environment • Christian Langen, CONERGY AG, Member of the Management Board

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Friday 30 November

Best Practice Day

Programme

08:30

INTERREG METREX CO2 80/50 Project Meeting

10:00

Climate Change and Major Security Challenges for Metropolitan Regions

- Colonel Roland Kaestner, Faculty Adviser Strategy
Führungsakademie der Bundeswehr (Academy of the German Armed Forces)

10:30

METREX Member Case Studies II

- **Aarhus:** Jan Beyer Schmidt-Sørensen, Navitas Park: Center of Innovation of Renewable Energy and Utility Industries in Aarhus
- **Rotterdam:** Nico Tillie, Rotterdam Watercity 2035 adaptation strategies
- **Amsterdam:** Eric von der Kooji, Amsterdam on Air
- **Ile de France:** Geneviève Danchin, Taking up the Challenges of Climate Change
- **Rhein-Ruhr:** Andreas Hübner, No Local Project Without Energy Efficiency
- **Hamburg:** Peter Lindlahr, Hamburg's Strategy for Climate Protection
- **Norderstedt:** Birgit Farnstein, Best Practice Examples

12:30

Hamburg Initiative for Fuel Cell and Hydrogen Technology

- Heinrich Klingenberg, hySOLUTIONS GmbH, Managing Director

13:00

Buffet Lunch

14:00

Visit of Projects

- Low Energy House Exhibition Wilhelmsburg
- Internationale Bauausstellung (International Building Exhibition)
- High Temperature Fuel Cell and Solar System for Combined Power and Heat Supply for Hamburg's New District, the Harbour City
- Harbour City Hamburg, InfoCenter Kesselhaus

evening free

Saturday 1 December

Project and Sightseeing Day

10:00-12:00

Guided City Planners' Tour



Solar Village Hamburg-Bramfeld (first big solar village in Germany)

Conference Background Information

Target Groups

The Conference is designed for decision makers and planners in European Metropolitan Regions and beyond, who are responsible for setting up and implementing the regional climate change strategy.

Goals of the Conference

- Agreement on common political goals of the European Metropolitan Regions in combatting climate change
- Formulation of expectations and demands to be addressed to the European Commission and member states
- Start of an exchange on best practice among European Metropolitan Regions
- Beginning of a dialogue with U.S: American regions

Documentation

During the Conference a publication is to be presented which gives an overview of the most important European best practice projects in combatting climate change. METREX members are asked to present their projects in the documentation. These projects should be possible to copy and implement elsewhere.

Please send per E-mail the project descriptions (about three pages) and photos to rolf-barnim.foth@sk.hamburg.de until 31 October 2007 at the latest

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Conference Website

www.climatechange.hamburg.de

Please refer to this website for the current programme.

Hotels

METREX Conference reservations have been made in the following hotels

- IBIS Hotel, Holzdamm 4-12, 20099 Hamburg, Phone +49 40 24829-701
single room 91,50 €, double room 116 €, breakfast included
<http://www.ibishotel.com>
- Hotel Steigenberger, Heiligengeistbrücke 4, 20459 Hamburg
Single room 178 € including breakfast, Phone +49 40 36806-180
<http://www.hamburg.steigenberger.de>
- East (design) Hotel, Simon-von-Utrecht-Str. 31, 20359 Hamburg
Single room 155 € including Croissant breakfast, full breakfast 15 €
www.east-hamburg.de, Phone +49 40 309930

Follow-up Conferences

A first follow-up conference will be hosted by the Northern Virginia Regional Commission in Greater Washington 9-12 April 2008.

A second follow-up conference will be held on the invitation of the Mayor of London in autumn 2008.

You will receive invitations in due time.

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Traditional Christmas Market in front of the City Hall

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