

AGENDA
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

meeting held
Wednesday, February 2, 2022
at 3:30 o'clock p.m.
via Zoom video conference

1. Call to Order

Reading of Land Acknowledgement

We [I] would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Three Fires Confederacy of First Nations, which includes the Ojibwa, the Odawa, and the Potawatomie. The City of Windsor honours all First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples and their valuable past and present contributions to this land

2. Declaration of Conflict

3. Minutes

Adoption of the minutes of the meeting held October 20, 2021 – ***attached.***

4. Business Items

4.1 Twin City Post

Discussion regarding the Twin City Post final design.

James Chacko, Senior Manager, Parks and Wadah Al-Yassiri, Manager Parks Development will be available to answer questions.

5. Communications

5.1 Sister City Partnership Agreement between the Sovereign State of Shrikailasa and the City of Windsor – ***attached.***

5.2 International Children's Games to be held in 2022 in Coventry, England. E-mail from Michael Chantler, Manager, Windsor International Aquatic Training Centre – ***attached.***

5.3 2021 Virtual Children's Art Exhibition – E-mail from Pia Schanne, Mannheim, Germany along with a Press Release – **attached.**

5.4 Letter from Mayor Dr. Kurz, Mannheim, Germany thanking Mayor Dilkens for congratulating him on receiving the World Mayor International Award – **attached.**

5.5 E-mail from Pia Schanne, Mannheim regarding the Youth Workcamp - Garden of Twin Cities– **attached.**

Letter to all Twin Cities – Garden of Twin Cities – **attached.**

Flyer regarding International Workcamp, Mannheim to be held July 10-17, 2022 - **attached.**

6. New Business

7. Date of Next Meeting
To be determined.

8. Adjournment

International Relations Committee

Meeting held October 20, 2021

A meeting of the International Relations Committee is held this day commencing at 2:00 o'clock p.m. via Zoom video conference, there being present the following members:

Councillor Fred Francis, Chair
Councillor Fabio Costante
Councillor Gary Kaschak
Councillor Ed Sleiman
Daniel Ableser
Jerry Barycki
Maria Belenkova
Scott Despins
Ronnie Haidar
William Ma (arrives at 2:02 p.m.)
Steven Spagnuolo
L.T. Zhao (arrives at 2:02 p.m.)

Also present are the following resource personnel:

Sandra Gebauer, Council Assistant
Karen Kadour, Committee Coordinator

1. Call to Order

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 2:00 o'clock p.m. and the Committee considers the Agenda being Schedule A attached hereto, matters which are dealt with as follows:

Addition to the Agenda

Moved by J. Barycki, seconded by Councillor Sleiman,
That Rule 3.3 (c) of the Procedure By-law 98-2011 be waived to add the following addition to the Agenda:

5.5 City of Mannheim, Germany – Garden of Twin Cities

Carried.

2. Declaration of Conflict

None disclosed.

3. Adoption of the Minutes

Moved by W. Ma, seconded by M. Belenkova,
That the minutes of the International Relations Committee of its meeting held June 30, 2021 **BE ADOPTED** as presented.
Carried.

5. Communications

Moved by Councillor Sleiman, seconded by Councillor Costante,
That the following communications **BE RECEIVED**:

- 5.1 E-mail from Yunnan Province, China request for twinning.
- 5.2 E-mail regarding City of Mannheim's Lord Mayor Peter Kurz receiving the World Mayor International Award.
- 5.3 E-mail regarding the ranking of 68 Polish cities where the City of Lublin received the blue ribbon in the Europolis report
- 54. Report of the Supervisor Environmental Sustainability & Climate Change regarding the International Urban & Regional Cooperation (IUC) – European Union North America and the e-mail from Stefanie Miller, International Affairs, City of Manheim regarding the IUC Program.
- 5.5 Press Release - City of Mannheim, Germany – Garden of Twin Cities

Carried.

D. Ableser suggests that the information provided by the City of Mannheim regarding the Garden of Twin Cities be forwarded to the City Hall Square Plaza & Civic Esplanade Steering Committee to determine if there is interest in a Sister Cities Garden as a concept idea.

S. Gebauer will forward this information to the members of the City Hall Square Plaza & Civic Esplanade Steering Committee.

4. New Business

S. Gebauer states that the Virtual Children’s Art Exhibition will be launched next week and notice will be provided to the IRC and the Twin Cities.

As it relates to the Twin City Post, James Chacko, Senior Manager of Parks has communicated with Adam Coates, Planner III, Senior Urban Designer – City Hall Square Civic Plaza & Esplanade Steering Committee and it has been determined that the post will be incorporated into the design although it may not remain in the same location. The installation of the post will begin in late fall and will be completed over the winter. Administration will work with the Committee to determine the date of the unveiling.

S. Gebauer provides an overview of the IRC 2021 operating budget.

4.1 International Relations Committee 2020 Annual Report

Moved by Councillor Kaschak, seconded by S. Spagnuolo,
That the International Relations Committee 2020 Annual report **BE APPROVED.**
Carried.

7. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at the call of the Chair.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 2:07 o’clock p.m.

CHAIR

COMMITTEE COORDINATOR

From: Department of State, SHRIKAILASA <state@kailaasa.org>

Sent: Thursday, October 21, 2021 7:24 AM

To: mayoro <mayoro@citywindsor.ca>

Cc: ShriKailasa Diplomat <shrikailasadiplomat@gmail.com>

Subject: Sister City Partnership Agreement between the Sovereign State of SHRIKAILASA and Windsor

Drew Dilkens
Mayor of the city of Windsor
Ontario, Canada

Re: SHRIKAILASA Nation's Request for Sister City Agreement with the city of Windsor

Dear Mayor Dilkens,

After 5,000 years of a multi-fold and untold persecution, Sovereign State of SHRIKAILASA is the unified voice for the 2 billion dispossessed and persecuted Hindus across the globe. In a world ravaged by war, pandemics, ecological destruction, hatred and division, SHRIKAILASA represents the revival of the ancient enlightened civilization-based nation, the global diaspora of the world's oldest ethnic Hindu indigenous tradition, the Adi Shaivite Minority Tradition (ASMT) which believes in the Oneness of all beings, and the highest potential of all human beings, irrespective of their race, religion, country, color, gender or background.

About SHRIKAILASA® (or KAILASASM)

- SHRIKAILASA is a consortium of multiple micronations, educational institutions including Hindu universities and school (gurukul), de facto spiritual embassies, temples, temple monastery complexes, nunneries, food banks (Annamandir), animal shelters (Goshala), libraries (Jnanalaya), organic agriculture.
- SHRIKAILASA's founding principles of ahimsa (non violence), advaita (oneness) and living in harmony with nature and fellow human beings presents a bold vision for the of human potential, peaceful co-existence, organic living and alignment with nature, echoing the ideal that once thrived in the enlightened civilizations of the East.
- Global adherents of SHRIKAILASA, that follow this science spread over 100 countries and form one of the most successful communities in the world, because they practice the sciences of Living Enlightenment as revived by the Supreme Pontiff of Hinduism.

SHRIKAILASA® Uniting Nations

SHRIKAILASA works to unite all nations for common human values such as global peace, eradicating poverty, religious tolerance, gender equality, women empowerment, child welfare, eradicating illiteracy,

sustainable development, animal protection, establishment and support of food bank, holistic healthcare, revival of ancient heritage of Hinduism, protecting and reviving the science of enlightened birthing and pregnancy, democracy and uncorrupt elections, ethical environmentalism, protection of monks, organic and sustainable agriculture, recovery of drug abuse, sexual abuse victims, vegetarianism and climate change.

Towards this goal, SHRIKAILASA has established many organizations and initiatives around the world such as:

- SHRIKAILASA Uniting Nations for Nonviolence and Global Peace
- SHRIKAILASA Uniting Nations for Feminine Empowerment and Gender Equality
- SHRIKAILASA Uniting Nations for Mental Health and Development
- SHRIKAILASA Uniting Nations for Nutritious Food and a Hunger Free World strive

Please see the enclosed links below for our Past Proclamations & Letters for your purview. Every year we receive support from dignitaries, government officials and eminent personalities such as yourself from across the world.

Past Proclamations & Letters

- United States Senator: [LINK](#)
- California State Senate Recognizes KAILASA and Sri Nithyananda Paramashivam, Proclaims 'Nithyananda Day': [LINK](#)
- Premier of Ontario, Canada: [LINK](#)
- House of Representatives Pennsylvania (USA): [LINK](#)
- State of Texas – House of Representatives: [LINK](#)
- Minister of Labor, Mauritius: [LINK](#)
- Mayor of Montclair, California (USA): [LINK](#)
- Mayor of Newark, New Jersey (USA): [LINK](#)
- Mayor of Pomona, California (USA) : [LINK](#)
- Mayor of Gainesville, Florida (USA): [LINK](#)
- Mayor of Charlotte, North Carolina (USA): [LINK](#)
- Mayor of City of San Jose, California (USA): [LINK](#)
- Mayor of Jersey City, New Jersey (USA): [LINK](#)
- Mayor of City of Santa Clara, CA (USA): [LINK](#)
- Mayor of Milpitas, California (USA): [LINK](#)
- Mayor of Delaware, Ohio (USA): [LINK](#)
- Mayor of Montclair, California (USA): [LINK](#)
- Mayor of City of Palmdale (USA): [LINK](#)
- Mayor of City of Harare, Zimbabwe: [LINK](#)
- Mayor of Entebbe Municipality, Uganda: [LINK](#)
- Member of Parliament, Jamaica: [LINK](#)
- U.S. House of Representatives, Chaplain: [LINK](#)
- Academy Award Winning Actress and Renowned Activist Susan Sarandon: [LINK](#)
- President of the NAACP-New York Chapter: [LINK](#)

With this spirit of hope, peace, friendship and Oneness, we request for a conference call to share the vision of SHRIKAILASA, establish bilateral relations with the city of Windsor. For more information, please visit us on the web at <http://kailaasa.org>, <https://nithyanandapedia.org> and <https://KailasaPedia>. We also invite

you to take a moment to watch this [short documentary about SHRIKAILASA](#). You can reach me at shrikailasadiplomat@gmail.com or state@kailaasa.org.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Respectfully,
Ashutosha Ananda
Diplomat, Sovereign State of SHRIKAILASA

From: Chantler, Michael <mchantler@citywindsor.ca>
Sent: Monday, November 22, 2021 1:29 PM
To: Gebauer, Sandra <sgebauer@citywindsor.ca>; Foot, William <wfoot@citywindsor.ca>
Cc: Knights, Jen <jknights@citywindsor.ca>; Menard, Christopher (Cultural Affairs) <cmenard@citywindsor.ca>
Subject: 2022 International Children's Games

Hi Sandra/Will – I just wanted to let you know that the location for the International Children’s Games in 2022 is Coventry, UK. As has been the practice in recent years, the two local swim clubs are sending a combined aquatics team with 8 swimmers and a male and female coach/escort. Due to the location being a sister city with Windsor, I thought maybe you would like to make the IRC aware of the event.

Now that Paul Carter has retired, the Mayor’s Office has requested that Recreation–Aquatics, handles the response to the invitation on behalf of the Corporation. The registration fee for the team, as in past years, will be paid from the Mayor’s Office budget. Let me know if you need any more information. Below you will find the original invitation and the link to more info on the ICG website. There are no plans to send a representative from City Administration.

Michael

Michael Chantler

Manager – WIATC, Adventure Bay & Aquatics (A)
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From: coventryicg2022 <coventryicg2022@MLSGB.CO>

Subject: 54th International Children's Games, Coventry 2022

**The City of Coventry, England
Invites your City to Participate in the
54th International Children’s Games
11th – 16th August 2022**

Please find attached your official invitation to attend the 54th International Children’s Games in Coventry, UK.

The following documents will provide your City with additional information on the 2022 Games including delegation sizes, accommodation, hospitality and the sports programme: -

- [ICG 2022 Guide To Entry](#)
- [ICG 2022 Sport Technical Handbook](#)

In order to accept your Invitation to attend the International Children's Games next year, please complete the: -

- [Invitation Acceptance Form online](#)

The deadline for completing your Expression of Interest is **Friday 31st December 2021**.

All invitations are subject to any Covid-19 Travel Guidance / Restrictions that may be in place and affect travel from your country into the UK.

If you have any queries or questions please email us at coventryicg2022@mls.gb.co

We look forward to welcoming you to Coventry.

Kind Regards

54th International Children's Games
Coventry 2022

Email - Coventryicg2022@mls.gb.co

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/International-Childrens-Games-ICG-133782699986551/>

Website - <https://www.coventryicg2022.org/>

"WE ARE 1 WORLD" - Children's art exhibition with the twin city of Windsor.

"We are 1 world" is the motto of this year's International Children's Art Exhibition with the twin city of Windsor in Canada. Children between the ages of 6 and 12 were called upon to transfer the motto into paintings. Together with Windsor's twin cities Fujisawa in Japan, Gunsan in South Korea, Changchun in China, Coventry in the United Kingdom and Santillo in Mexico, Mannheim again took part in the creative challenge. The colorful result can be seen online at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e1MS_8ez-TQ. The Mannheim contribution starts at minute 16.

As Corona continues to restrict the organization of large international events, the City of Windsor, like last year, moved the exhibition into virtual space. The result is a colorful YouTube video featuring the children's paintings as well as video speeches by the mayors from the twin cities.

Fred Francis, chair of the Windsor International Relations Committee, emphasizes in his speech on the video: "Art is a universal language that allows us to communicate across borders. It helps bring people and ideas together."

In his video message, Mayor Dr. Kurz elaborates on the exhibition's motto: "We are one world. The exhibition offers us a good opportunity to think about ourselves and about the world we live in." In doing so, Kurz appealed to the young artists to respect and protect the One World and to stand up for equal rights and opportunities worldwide. His special thanks go to the organizers of the exhibition, who realized this "inspiring idea to make the thoughts of children visible".

In Mannheim, 24 children participated. Many of the paintings were created in Mannheim's after-school and childcare facilities. The Neckarstadt Kids, the Kleine Riedstraße Children's House, the after-school care center at the Rheinau School and the after-school care center at the Friedrich Ebert School took part. A big thank you goes to the supporting educators and caregivers and last but not least to the children who submitted their imaginative contributions!

Cooperation with the Twin City Windsor

Mannheim's twin city Windsor in Ontario is the southernmost city in Canada, right on the state border with the USA. The natural border is the Detroit River. The relationship between Mannheim and Windsor dates back to 1979, when a Canadian delegation visited Mannheim. On April 14, 1980, the partnership deed was already signed.

Mannheim is currently cooperating with Windsor within the framework of an EU-funded administrative exchange. International Urban and Regional Cooperation (IURC) is the world's

largest cooperation program between European and non-European cities and offers decision-makers at the municipal level the opportunity to network. The aim is to develop and implement innovative ideas for sustainable and climate-neutral urban development - basically a concern that is also reflected in the images of the children's art exhibition "We are 1 world".

From: Schanne, Pia 19 <Pia.Schanne@mannheim.de>
Sent: Tuesday, December 7, 2021 7:36 AM
To: Gebauer, Sandra <sgebauer@citywindsor.ca>
Subject: AW: 2021 Virtual Children's Art Exhibition

Dear Sandra,

Thank you for realising this great project! I think that it is a very good way to bring the idea of twinning and international understanding to families who are often not reached through other activities. I am very happy that this year some childcare facilities from disadvantaged neighborhoods as well have participated and were able to inspire their children for this activity. I am already looking forward to next year.

Enclosed I send the link to our press release <https://www.mannheim.de/de/presse/we-are-1-world-kinderkunstaussstellung-mit-der-partnerstadt-windsor>

and the translation into English.

I'll get back to you soon.

Best regards, stay healthy,

Pia

Von: Gebauer, Sandra <sgebauer@citywindsor.ca>
Gesendet: Mittwoch, 24. November 2021 22:06
An: Gebauer, Sandra <sgebauer@citywindsor.ca>
Betreff: 2021 Virtual Children's Art Exhibition

Greetings from Windsor!

The City of Windsor is proud to present the 2021 Children's Art Exhibition. The annual exhibition showcases the art of children between the ages of 6 and 12 years of age, from Windsor and from many of our twin cities. This year's theme of "We Are One World," shows that, although we are in different parts of the world, we are tied together in many ways. The annual children's art exhibit serves to strengthen the connections between the City of Windsor and its twin cities through the inspiration and creativity of our children.

Thank you and CONGRATULATIONS to all of the participants. This would not have been possible without you.

Enjoy and please feel free to share this link. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e1MS_8ez-TQ

Warm Regards,
Sandra Gebauer
Council Assistant

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November 22, 2021

Dear Mayor Dilkens, dear colleague,

Thank you very much for the congratulations you kindly sent me as the City Mayors Foundation conferred me the World Mayor International Award.

The City Mayors Foundation reasoned in its decision that cities around the world cooperating with each other and learning from each other make a major contribution to improving social, economic and environmental conditions. I may say that we as mayors, in our role as city leaders, are well aware that this kind of international engagement is only possible in cooperation with committed partners. The city of Mannheim is very appreciative of the fact that we have such valued partners all around the world. Within this global network, the twin cities are among the longest-lasting and most stable relationships.

Thus, my gratitude goes towards you and all those international leaders and partners that make our international commitment work, that ensure successful initiatives and with whom the exchange of ideas as well and the development of concrete projects is possible.

I am convinced that international cooperation and city-to-city-learning is key to improving our knowledge and our actions and I look forward to continuing our strong and deep friendship and successful collaboration.

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Dear colleagues in the Twin Cities,

Today I contact you concerning our Youth Workcamp in the “Garden of Twin Cities”. The project will take place in July 2022 and builds directly on the results of this year's gardening workshop we held online in October. Unfortunately, we will not be able to predict what the pandemic situation will be next year. But we are confident that it will be possible to have a meeting on site next summer. If participants from your city are worried about committing in February already, please reassure them. We will be looking closely at the pandemic in 2022 and will remain in contact with each other.

I am enclosing a letter from David Linse as well as the concrete information and registration form for your participants.

For the travel planning of the participants from your city, I ask for your advice. There could be two approaches. Either we book the tickets for the passengers here in Mannheim. In this case, we will ask the participants for the necessary data. Or you organize the travel booking with your participants and invoice us for the travel costs afterwards. I'd be glad if you gave me some feedback on which way you prefer.

I am looking forward to the registrations from your city. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

Pia Schanne

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Erreichbar: Dienstag bis Freitag 9:00h-13:00h

International Workcamp “Garden of Twin Cities” in Mannheim – Join in!

From **July 10 to 17, 2022** the city of Mannheim is running a Youth Workcamp with participants from its 11 twin cities and young people from Mannheim. An international group of around 30 young adults will create a part of the Mannheim “Garden of Twin Cities” in the city’s greenspace Luisenpark (<https://www.luisenpark.de/>). We invite two people from each twin city between the ages 18 to 25 to join in.

- ? Do you come from one of our twin cities or do you work there? Mannheims’s twin cities are: Berlin Charlottenburg-Wilmersdorf in Germany, Bydgoszcz in Poland, Chişinău in Moldova, Haifa in Israel, Klaipėda in Lithuania, Qingdao in China, Riesa in Germany, Swansea in the UK, Toulon in France, Windsor in Canada or Zhenjiang in China?

- ? Do you work in horticulture or are you training in that field?

- ? Are you keen to get to know other young people from various parts of the world?

- ? Can you imagine involving yourself for a week in a community venture, with less emphasis on comfort, but finding your life enriched by some fantastic shared experiences?

If this is the case, please contact the International Office in your city and apply **by February 28, 2022** for the International Workcamp in Mannheim! Please submit the completed application form to the International Office in your city. The office in question will select the participants and pass the accepted applications on to the city of Mannheim. Once you receive a confirmation from Mannheim your participation is binding.

In June 2022 the preparation team in Mannheim will invite the participants to a virtual preliminary meeting via video conference. Here you will be able to get to know the other participants and raise any questions or ideas you may have about the Workcamp.

What can you expect in Mannheim?

- ✦ You will participate in creating the Garden of Twin Cities, for example by building its central square with a pavement of different stones typical for the twin cities or by planting trees, perennial plants or roses.
- ✦ You will be invited to get to know Mannheim's horticultural training workplaces.
- ✦ You will have time for reflection and have fun with intercultural learning activities.
- ✦ You will discuss internationally relevant future issues and sustainable urban development.
- ✦ You will share leisure activities (feel-good campfire included).
- ✦ We will produce a film and photographic documentation of the work-camp so that you can share your experiences with friends and with the people in Mannheim and all the other twin cities.
- ✦ Accommodation in a dormitory in Mannheim's youth hostel, full board

What should you bring:

- Personal protective clothing, especially shoes, in line with international standard S 3
- Basic English skills (Far more important than perfect language skills is a desire to communicate and the willingness to help others to a mutual understanding.)
- Sleeping bag (Bedlinen will be provided in the youth hostel. You will only need a sleeping bag for an overnight stay in the Luisenpark as part of the programme of leisure activities.)

Please organise the following in good time:

- Apply for a visa if this is necessary for entering Germany.
- Arrange travel insurance that covers medical expenses in Germany.
- Find out about flights or rail travel. We will help you with booking the travel arrangements. The city of Mannheim will cover the costs for your travel, accommodation and meals in Mannheim.

Why a Garden of Twin Cities, why a Workcamp?

In 2023, Mannheim is hosting the Bundesgartenschau (BUGA), Germany's annual national garden show. The BUGA site will include the Garden of Twin Cities, which will showcase the close ties that Mannheim maintains with its twin cities, in most cases going back many years. The display will be designed as a harmonious interplay of diversity and will remain after the BUGA as a permanent symbol of encounter and exchange. The Garden of Twin Cities will embody the growth and vibrancy of Mannheim's international relations. In addition to being a pleasant destination for a day trip, it will serve to inspire participation and creativity, it will attract new target groups whose interest for international cooperation may be aroused. Also, the Garden of Twin Cities will be a place to intensify the overall intercultural dialogue among citizens.

The garden is devised as an object of identification for both, Mannheim residents and visitors from the twin cities. From the outset, the planning and implementation of the garden was conceived as a participative activity. Both guests from Mannheim's twin cities as well as locals work together in designing and building the garden. Together, we will keep it alive and flourishing in the future through a range of celebrations and activities.

In October 2021, the city of Mannheim planned the garden in collaboration with experts from the twin cities. Now the **International Workcamp** marks the second step for Mannheim and its twin cities in the process of creating the Garden of Twin Cities. Alongside the horticultural work of the group, this youth project will also place a special focus on the intercultural exchange.

Notes on data protection:

As a preliminary meeting, there will be an international video conference involving the participants from the twin cities. During the Workcamp itself, photos and videos will be produced to illustrate the Workcamp on Mannheim's website and social media sites. Data collection may also be necessary under Covid-19 protection regulations. To data protection policy: <https://www.mannheim.de/de/stadt-gestalten/europa-und-internationales/partner-und-freundesstaedte/buga-23-garten-der-partnerstaedte/buga-23-garden-of-twin-cities-workcamp>

Do you have any questions? Then get in touch:

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To all Twin Cities

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14.12.2021

Garden of Twin Cities – International Workcamp 2022

Dear Colleagues,

In October, the city of Mannheim held a very intensive virtual workshop with its twin cities to plan our *Garden of Twin Cities*. Horticultural experts from Bydgoszcz, Chişinău, Haifa, Klaipėda, Riesa, Toulon, Windsor and Zhenjiang took part in this discussion and achieved excellent results. We are in contact with the twin cities who were unable to take part so that we can integrate typical elements from those regions as well in the overall concept of the Garden of Twin Cities. I would like to thank you once again, for myself and on behalf of our Mayor Dr. Kurz, for all your commitment and the wonderful support of your horticultural colleagues.

In 2022, we look forward to taking the next step together with you. We are inviting up to two young gardeners or horticultural students from each twin city to take part in our International Workcamp in Mannheim from July 10 to 17. Apart from working directly on the Garden of Twin Cities, this workcamp is most of all designed to enable young people from our cities to meet each other and to strengthen the ties between our citizens.

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We would like to ask for your support with regard to the selection of participants and the travel arrangements. Please publicise the project among young gardeners and horticultural students and select suitable representatives for your city. We attach further details of the workshop as well as the application form for participants. The colleagues from the International Office will be in touch with you to specify travel arrangements and other matters. The city of Mannheim will cover the costs of the stay and all travel expenses for the participants from the twin cities.

Together with the Mannheim City Council, my colleagues from the city administration, the Luisenpark and the BUGA Association, I am already very much looking forward to the Workcamp 2022!

With kind regards,

David Linse
Head of Department
International and European Affairs and Protocol