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KULTURHAUPTSTADT  
EUROPAS 2025

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### Chemnitz Twin City Summit 2025

Dear Mr Mayor,

Our twin cities are an integral and visible part of Chemnitz European Capital of Culture 2025 and I am happy to see how many projects have taken up our long-standing connections and develop them further.

As city administration, we want to use the year as well to set new impulses for our international work and to create a sustainable basis for our future collaboration. Therefore, I am happy to invite you to the Chemnitz Twin City Summit from 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> May 2025.

As European Capital of Culture, we want to focus on culture and the subsequent urban development process. Furthermore, it is important for us to discuss how we can make our connection more visible and include as many people as possible in our international cooperation.

A town twinning always contains the opportunity of learning from each other. For the conference, we work with a team of experts from various fields and would welcome it if your delegation included experts from your city as well, who can contribute valuable insights. Maybe they would even like to head a workshop with one of our referents themselves, to share their expertise and best-practise examples.

Of course, there will be plenty of time to participate in the European Capital of Culture programme, especially in the events of the concurrent Europe Week.

Our invitation includes accommodation and meals for a maximum of five participants from your city. Please confirm your attendance and delegation by 9<sup>th</sup> March 2025. For your registration and in case of questions, please refer to the team of the Department European and international relations, protocol at [international@stadt-chemnitz.de](mailto:international@stadt-chemnitz.de).

I look forward to welcoming you!

Yours sincerely

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## Draft Agenda

### Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> May – arrival

7 pm – welcome dinner

### Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> May – theme day “culture and urban development”

Welcome at the intervention area Garage Campus  
*Mayor Sven Schulze*

Highlights of the Chemnitz European Capital of Culture 2025 programme

“The Chemnitz Method” – a town-twinning project on urban development  
*Dan Dubowitz, Manchester School of Architecture*

Lunch

From cultural strategy to Capital of Culture – presentation and evaluation  
*Katrin Franz, Head of Culture Management, City of Chemnitz*

Project-based urban development – international networks  
*Tbc, City of Chemnitz*

Thematic city walks (two options available)  
*Lydia Tannhauer-Schnabel and Michael Günther, policy officers at the office of the Deputy Mayor for urban development, City of Chemnitz*

Evening programme (optional) – panel discussion with former President of the European Parliament Martin Schulz

### Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> May – theme day “sustainable town twinnings”

Workshops – “Shaping town twinnings”

- Making connections visible
- Youth exchange and school partnerships
- Public funds and funding policy

Commemoration ceremony on the occasion of the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of the Second World War

Evening programme (optional) – “Chemnitz School Theater Week meets Europe”  
*A play of the well-known “Gruppe aus 6”, a young theatre group from our twin city Düsseldorf*

### Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> May – conclusion

Conclusion of the conference at the Chemnitz Museum of Industry

Guided tour of the museum and the exhibition “Tales of Transformation” featuring our twin cities Tampere, Lodz, Manchester and Mulhouse

