

PARTICIPATION IN COMPLEX ISSUES FOCUS ON IMMIGRATION AND INCLUSION

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MANNHEIM – CITY OF DIVERSITY

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DIVERSITY IN MANNHEIM

Statistics (31.12.2016)

Mannheim' Population in total 316.265

Women 49,7%

Children & Youth under age 18 ca. 15 %

Inhabitants with Migrationbackground 44,7 %

- **Foreign Citizenship** 25 %
- **German Citizenship** 19,7 %

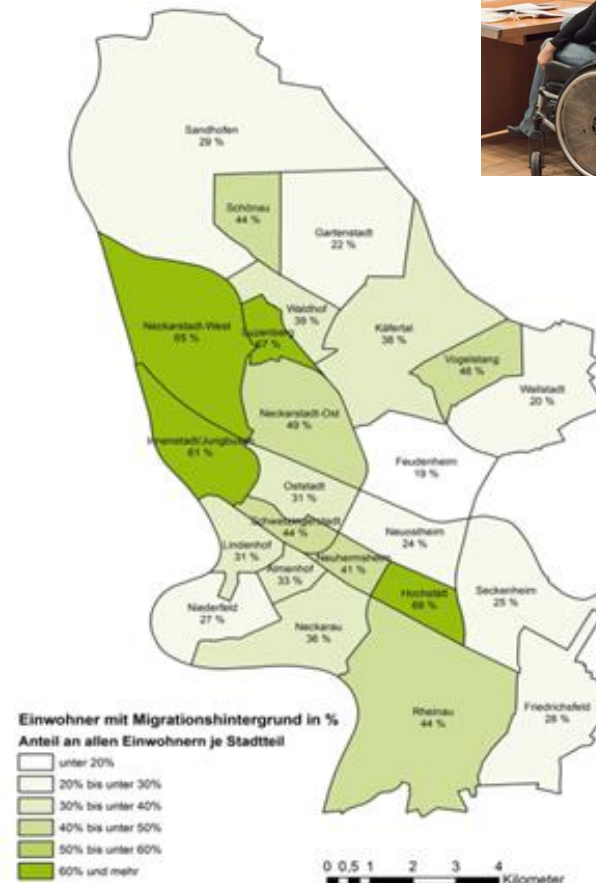
Countries of Origin ca. 170

Christians ca. 45 %

Muslims ca. 10 %

LSBTIQ (estimated) 5 - 10%

Handicaped people 13 %



MANNHEIM – CITY OF DIVERSITY CHALLENGES

„Creation of Conditions for shaping our City in common.“

- Continuous immigration (especially from within the EU)
- Equal access to public infrastructure and services („Leave nobody behind“); reduction of structural inequalities
- Foster the sense of belonging to our city...
- ... which grows through recognition and the experience of participation
- Conflicts abroad are transferred in our city
- Fight against any form of racism, discrimination, vilification and social exclusion
- Solidarity with those who need support and help (Becoming an inclusive city)
- Strengthen democracy (against extremism and radicalisation)



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COMMON PRINCIPLES & SHARED VALUES

Mannheim Declaration on Living Together in Diversity

- Recognition of the Equal Right of Different Identities and Lifestyles
- Commitment to Counter Discrimination
- Promotion of Equal Opportunities
- Limits of Tolerance
- Joint Action

100 institutions were engaged in the emergence
of the Mannheim declaration

Over 270 institutional signatories since May 2016

- stimulate face-to-face encounters and „diversity cooperations“
- Antidiscrimination-Network and -Counseling
- *einander.Aktionstage* (Alliance Action Days): Celebration and recognition of diversity (114 events within 5 weeks in 2017)
- www.einander-MAnifest.de



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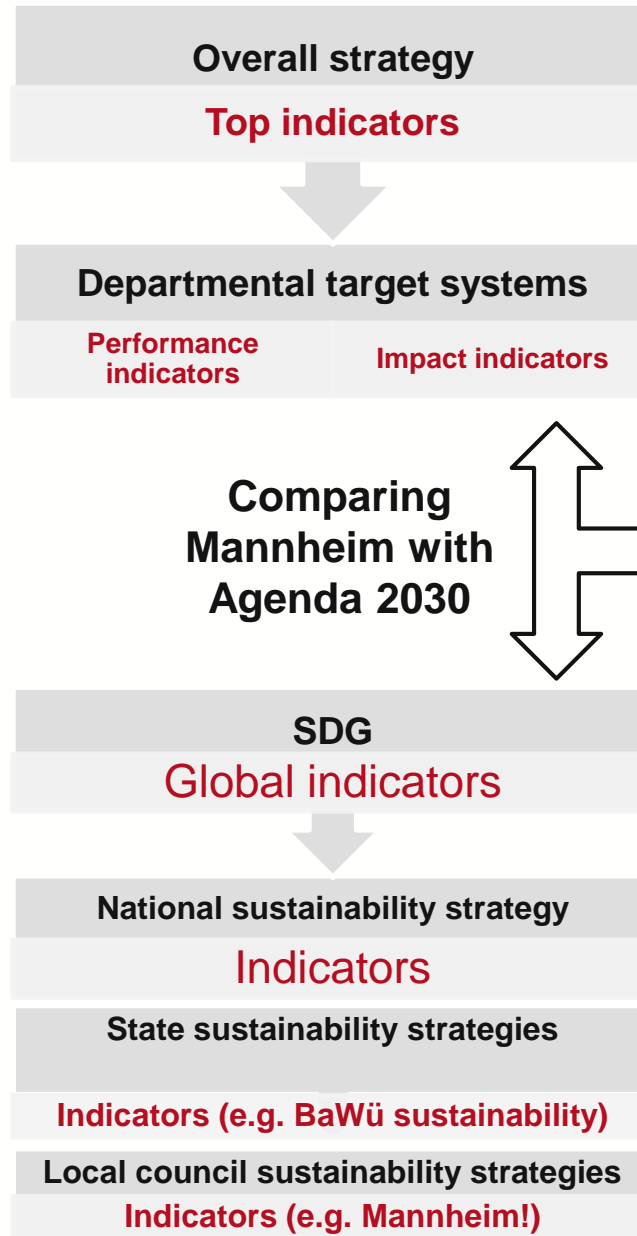
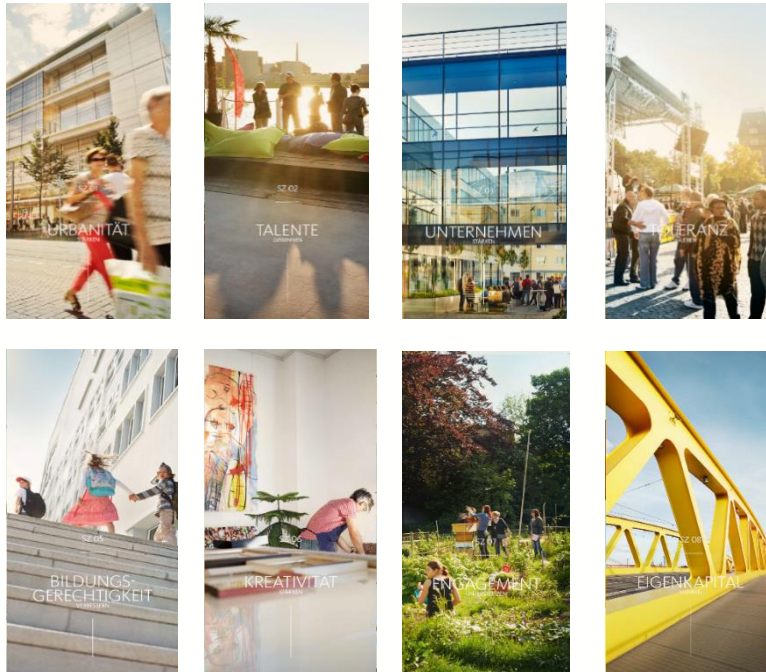
DIFFERENT PEOPLE. MORE IDEAS. ONE FUTURE.

- Mission State Process Mannheim 2030
- Local responsibility for global challenges
- International city-to-city-cooperations



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ROLE MODEL "MANNHEIM 2030" AND AGENDA 2030



**Objective:
Mission
Statement and
Indicator Set
Mannheim
2030**

Objective 7:

Supporting commitment

Mannheim's inhabitants show an above-average civic commitment and the city provides a high level of support.

- **Examples of measures/indicators:**
 - Share of respondents who say they are engaged in voluntary work
 - 2017: 35 %
 - Electoral turnout at local elections:
 - 2014: 38.7 %



2. URBAN LAB DEMOCRACY & URBAN SOCIETY

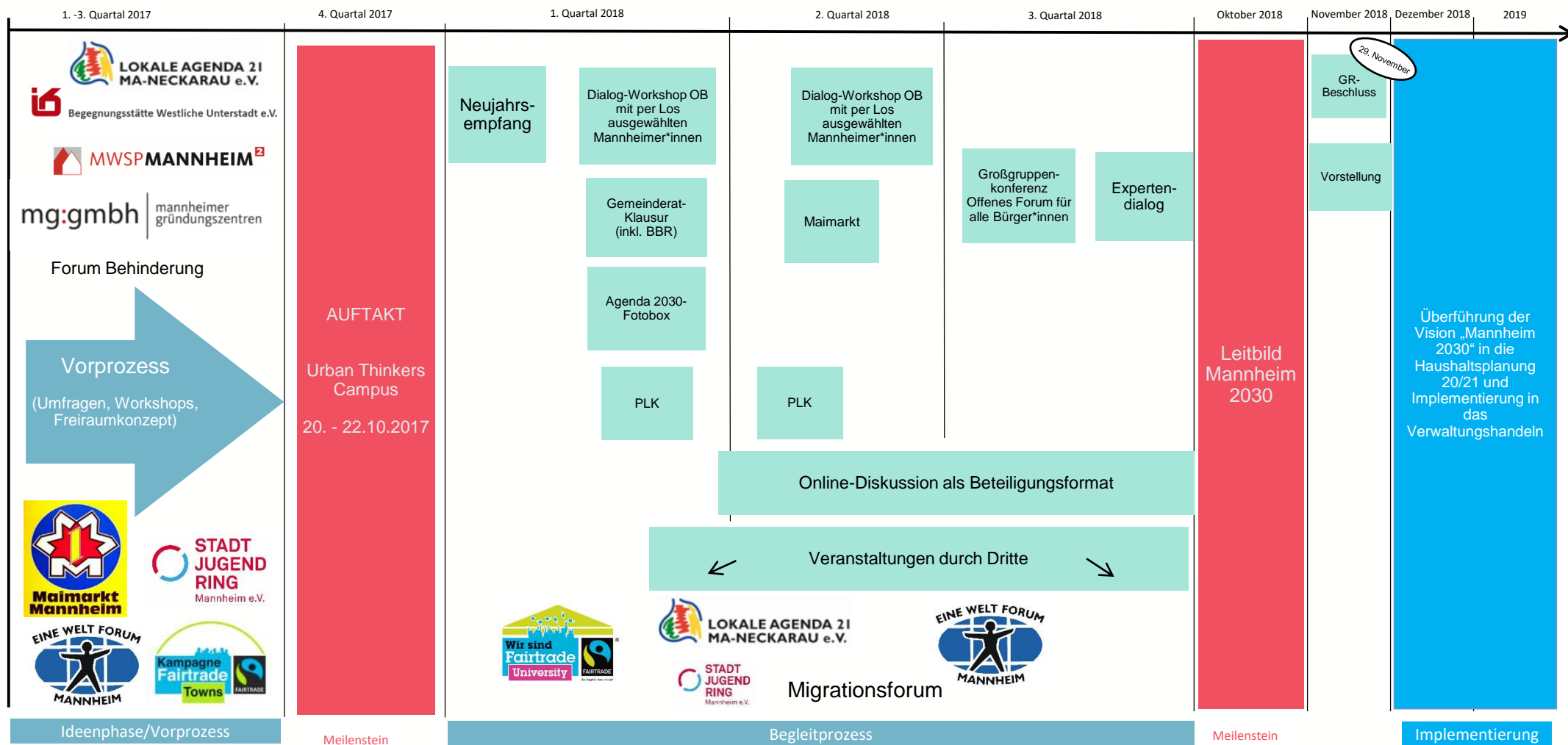


MAIN RESULTS/GOALS

- **Politics creates trust, finds answers to social questions and involves minorities**
- **Relevant problems are taken seriously and openly discussed in urban society**
- **Together we raise awareness of the value of democracy, we stand by our fundamental values with courage and openness and create lasting and broad-based political education opportunities**
- **Democracy is integrated into people's everyday lives and all those involved have a responsibility to build trust**

FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Including the needs of the future in the current discourse
- Develop a democratic action structure that guides action
- Simultaneity of top-down and bottom-up processes for participation at eye levelInvestments to compensate for disadvantages (e.g. in Neckarstadt-West)
- Inclusion of refugees: making social participation permeable
- "Being critical friends": close cooperation between city administration/city leadership and civil society organisations
- Digital democracy - train children and young people, e.g. in dealing with fake news, democratic action on the spot and on the Internet
- "Strengthen "learning democracy" (also for adults!) at the community level - to relearn conflict management skills
- Better communication for implemented election promises or compromises reached in coalitions/media/social networks
- The role of the media in the understanding of democracy in the futureAdvanced training on "Multiculturality"







RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION HAS A LONG TRADITION

- 20 - 30 citizen participation processes per year
- Citizen participation part of the municipal strategy
- Democracy Audit MZES 2011: A View on Citizen Participation and Administration good
- Reform of local council work since 2008
- Large citizen participation processes with extensive experience

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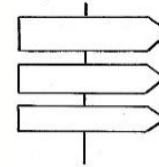
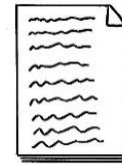
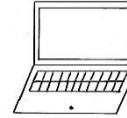
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| 2011 | Guidelines of the municipal council for Mannheim's citizen participation |
| 2015 | Establishment of a working group for dialogue between administration and local council |
| 2017 | Resolution "Rules and Regulations for Public Participation Mannheim - Pilotphase" |

OBJECTIVES OF THE CITIZENS' PARTICIPATION RULES AND REGULATIONS

- Development of a common basic understanding of civic participation
 - Clarification of roles and tasks of politics and administration
 - clear processes, qualities and offers
- ➞ Clarity, commitment and fewer conflicts for the local council,
Administration and Citizenship

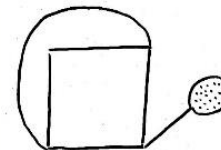
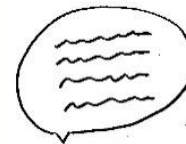
NEW OFFERS ENSURE QUALITY

- Transparency through participation portal
- Planability through project list
- Binding nature of the investment concept
- joint responsibility through project support group
- Evaluation by the Investment Advisory Board



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- Clarity through connectivity
- transparent information through communication and marketing
- Documentation through monitoring
- Expertise through Central Coordination Office



PILOT PHASE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR CIVIC PARTICIPATION



Timetable

- May 2017 - December 2018
- Afterwards: Decision Rules and regulations for public participation

Goal

- Test of the new offers and principles
 - a) city-wide; b) on the basis of concrete participation processes
- In focus: Involving the citizenry

Process

- The Investment Advisory Board accompanies the pilot phase

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