

Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)

Kick-off Event “The urban transition: Research for the sustainable development of the megacities of tomorrow”

November 23rd - 25th 2005, GTZ House, Berlin

Course of events on Wednesday, November 23rd 2005

- Welcome (Mr Hahn, BMBF)
- Introduction into the focal point of support of the BMBF (Mr Zickler, Mr Hahn, BMBF)
- Complementary German research programs concerning the topic of megacities (Prof Hansjuergens, UFZ Halle, Prof Kraas, University of Cologne)
- Key note speech: Multidisciplinary and integrative research (Mrs Loibl, Austrian Ecology Institute)
- Presentations of the projects in the following order:
 1. Promoting place-based solutions to water supply and sanitation problems in the Guadalajara Urban Area, Guadalajara, Mexico (<http://www.irs-net.de/index.php>)
 2. Water supply and waste water in mega cities of tomorrow, Concepts for Lima Metropolitana (Perú) and elsewhere, Lima, Peru, (<http://www.lima-water.de/>)
 3. Open Spaces in Emerging Megacities - Potential for Nature-Orientated Living, Recife, Brazil (<http://www.uni-leipzig.de/megacities/>)
 4. Urban Agriculture as an Integrative Factor of Urban Development, Casablanca, Casablanca, Morocco (<http://www.megacity-casablanca.tu-berlin.de/index.html/>)
 5. IGNIS - Income Generation in Megacities durch die nachhaltige Inwertsetzung von Siedlungsabfällen, Addis Abbeba, Ethiopia
 6. Trunk Infrastructure and Urban Growth - Managing Rapid, Urbanisation in Poverty in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania (<http://www.raumplanung.uni-dortmund.de/irpud/megacities/>)
 7. "EnerKey" - Energy as Key Element for the Sustainable Development of Greater Johannesburg, South Africa (<http://www.enerkey.info/>)
 8. Young Cities - New Towns (NT) in Iran, Hashtgerd / Karj, Iran (<http://www.youngcities.org>)
 9. Hyderabad as a Megacity of Tomorrow: Sustainable Urban Food and Health Security and Environmental Resource Management, Hyderabad, India, (<http://www.agrar.hu-berlin.de/wisola/fq/ress/web/Megacity/index.htm>)
 10. Sustainable holistic approach & know how tailored to India, Hyderabad, India (<http://www.shakti.uni-karlsruhe.de/>)
 11. Ürumqi: Dryland Mega-City Development. Managing interconnected sensitive cycles, Ürumqi, China, (<http://www.urumqi-drylandmegacity.uni-hd.de/>)
 12. The Balance of Urban Growth and Redevelopment in Ho Chi Minh City Sustainable Housing Policies for Megacities of Tomorrow, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, (<http://www.tu-cottbus.de/megacity-hcmc/>)
 13. Sustainable Model Mega City Ningbo”, Ningbo, China, (http://www.uni-weimar.de/urbanistik/de/master/6_forschung/6.1.6.html)
 14. Sustainable and energy-efficient development of mega cities, Ningbo, China, (<http://nptest.mik27.de/>)
 15. Traffic systems for the mega regions of China, Jiading, China
 16. Governing emerging megacities: Water, health and quality of life in Pearl River Delta/China and Pune/India (<http://www.geographie.uni-koeln.de/pearlpune/>)

Course of events on Thursday, November 24th 2005

- Offer of consulting services by the GTZ to the projects (Mrs Fellmer, Mr Meinert, GTZ)
- Requirements concerning the evaluation of phase one (Mr Hahn, BMBF, Prof Ehlers, University Bonn, Mrs. Felmer, GTZ, Mr. Jung, GTZ)
- Methodological training I - orientation towards effects (Mr. Jung, GTZ)

Course of events on Friday, November 25th 2005

- Public Relations (Mrs Koch-Kraft, DLR)
- Methodological training II - orientation towards effects (Mr Jung, GTZ)

- Final Discussion