City of Ludwigsburg - Summary

The City of Ludwigsburg is situated in the Region of Stuttgart, one of the most prosperous regions in Europe, with about 2.7 million inhabitants. Ludwigsburg is a significant middle centre with about 89,000 inhabitants.

The municipality’s activities are based on the integrated city development concept with principles and strategic objectives in 11 areas. The process started as a wide participation process together with citizens, municipal council and administration in 2004, because all essential fields of politics including sustainable finances have all been dealt with.

Within the integrated sustainable management system, the topics are continuously adjusted and updated. Regularly future conferences take place to discuss the further development with the citizenry. It is very important to understand this policy as a cross-linking task within the structure of administration. This includes master plans, goal indicators and method competence as well as political acceptance or participation.

For the implementation, the entire municipal administration was reorganized. An interdepartmental unit for Sustainable Urban Development was founded. In the unit, the grown activities in sustainable urban development are tied together and organized in processes in order to link them with all areas of administrative action. This department breaks the existing linear structure of administration and is directly subordinated to the lord mayor. It has to be involved in all decision-making processes that are related to sustainable urban development.