



Hamburg

Suburbia Project

Aims

With a broad set of activities, Hamburg and its region seek to streamline policies for the administratively fragmented urban rural fringe and to offer a discussion forum for its challenges and potentials. Through joined forces instead of piecemeal planning, Suburbia's contribution to regional competitiveness and quality of life should be improved.



Colloquium series - "Approaches to Suburbia"

How was this achieved?

- Raising awareness of the challenges and potentials of the urban fringe through communication measures, including a colloquium series called "Approaches to Suburbia".
- Facilitating workshops to develop a common understanding on required policies and joint action
- Implementing cross-border intermunicipal fora between Hamburg and adjacent communities to discuss about development proposals and plans for the urban fringe.
- Supporting a number of existing and new cross-border projects and initiatives to improve co-operation.
- Developing further the instrument of regional parks to improve the quality of life in the urban fringe.

About Hamburg

Population

City of Hamburg: 1.7 million

Metropolitan region:

5.5 million

Urban rural fringe (Suburbia):

2.3 million

Background

Administratively the urban fringe is highly fragmented, with more than 40 different administrative units (local and regional authorities). Within an overall growing region, it is characterised by both suburbanisation and reurbanisation trends as well as a different pattern of growing and shrinking economic pressure.

