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# REgional PoLicy Actions for Circular Economy

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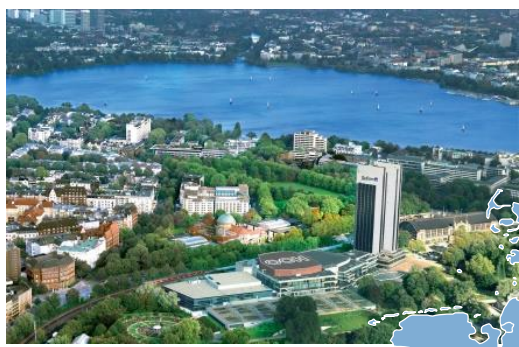
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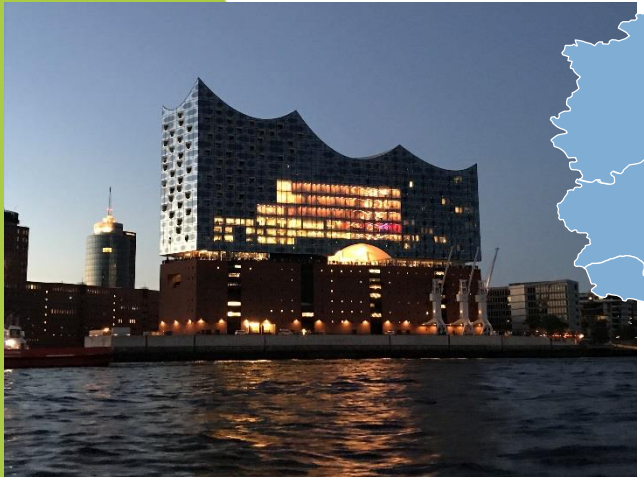
- Population: 1.8 million
- 2nd largest city in Germany
- One of 16 federal states in Germany
- Founded in 810
- Area: 755.2 km<sup>2</sup>
- GDP: € 118 billion (2017)

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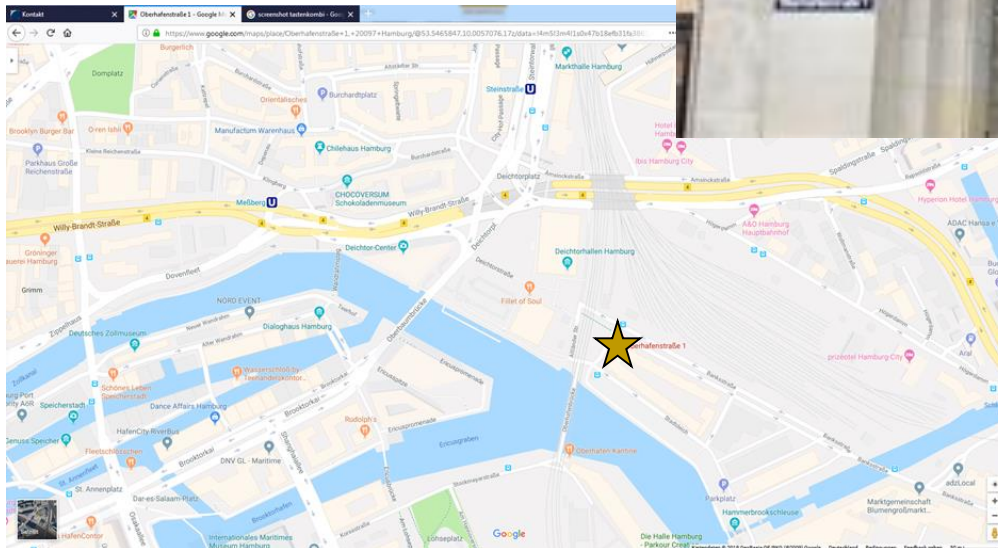
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# The Hamburg Institute of International Economics (HWWI)

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## HWWI - About

- Economic research institute
- Shareholder: Hamburg Chamber of Commerce
- HWWI's roots go back to 1908 (oldest economic research institute in Germany)
- Main areas of research:
  - Energy and environmental economics
  - Regional economics
  - International economics and Trade
- Team of 20 researchers Scientific Partner: Helmut Schmidt University



## Hamburg Institute – Portfolio

- ✓ Application-oriented research
- ✓ Clients are public authorities, politics, businesses
- ✓ Assessing economic impacts for individual sectors,
- ✓ Interviews, surveys to capture good practices
- ✓ Developing regional action plans for various target groups (politics, regional developers, ...),
- ✓ Input for regional capacity building measures
- ✓ Involved in various European cooperation projects



# Hamburg

## Associated Partner: Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg

**First Mayor**  
elected for 5 years

Ministry of **Urban Development and Housing**

Ministry of **Environment and Energy**

Ministry of **Culture**

Ministry of **Economy, Transport and Innovation**

Ministry of **Justice and Gender**

Ministry of **Labor, Social Affairs, Family and Integration**

Ministry of **Internal Affairs**

Ministry of **Health and Customer Protection**

Ministry of **Finance**

Ministry of **Schools and Education**

Ministry of **Science and Research**

**Senate Chancellery**

**Human Resources Office**





# Hamburg Experience and knowledge



Objective: minimise the leakage of resources from the linear economy and work towards a circular economy

*(Resource Management in Peri-urban Areas: Going Beyond Urban Metabolism)*



Objective: development of integrative spatial development strategies that understand waste and related treatment processes as a resource



*(Smart Transition of EU cities towards a new concept of smart Life and Economy)*

*(Co-designing Locally tailored Ecological solutions for Value added, socially inclusive Regeneration in Cities)*



Objective: implementation and management of locally tailored nature based solutions to deliver social, environmental and economic improvements for urban regeneration

Objective: develop an Urban Transformation Strategy to support cities in the definition of transition models progressing to the smart people and smart economy concepts

**CIRCuIT** *(Circular Construction in Regenerative Cities, 2019-2023).*

Objective: will explore opportunities for circular construction demonstration projects and mapping of city-wide material flows.



## Semester 1:

- *Kick off in Brussels: 10.2019*
- *Learning Event in Fryslan /NL (Mapping Tool)*
- Local analyses (state-of-play CE / common barriers) performed in the PP regions
- Survey among European CE frontrunner regions

## Semester 2:

- *PP meeting in Rome: output validation for semester 1*
- *Learning Event in Crete (cross-regional value chains)*
- Reports identifying circular value chains in the PP regions
- Benchmark tool to identify CE excellence level in a region

## Semester 3:

- *PP meeting in Romania: output validation for semester 2*
- *Learning Event in La Réunion (Funding instruments for cross-regional CE projects / MoU)*
- Local stakeholder consultations in the PP regions
- Reports identifying funding synergies in the PP regions

## Semester 4:

- *PP meeting Hamburg (spring 2021): output validation – how to insert MoU in admin. processes*
- *Learning Event in Coimbra (assessment criteria for CE projects)*
- Awareness raising campaign for public authorities

## Semester 5:

- *PP meeting in Lodzkie: output validation for semester 4*
- Action Plans for all PP regions (to be implemented in phase 2)





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