



«Projekthaus Potsdam»

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R.-Breitscheidstr. 164
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Once upon a time...

- The Inwole e.V. organisation is in charge of the Project House in Potsdam. It has been running since 2005. The aim is to reconnect different aspects of life (habitation, work, culture, politics) which are often separated in modern cities. Over 20 people from several countries are currently living in the Project House. Around 50 people with various social and cultural origins are committed to the different projects of the house (intercultural projects, ecological and popular education, social economy projects). A "Workshop House" serves as a house for self-employment and offers open workshops. The organisation is acknowledged as professional assistance to the youth ("anerkannter freier Träger der Jugendhilfe") and as an "Intergenerational House" ("Mehrgenerationen Haus").

Objectives

- The garden as a meeting place for the neighbourhood.
- Ecological food production for subsistence.
- The garden as a field for agricultural experimentation.
- Protection of the biodiversity (insect hotel, Benjes hedge, cultivation of old varieties)

Values

- Intercultural and intergenerational meeting place
- Test field for subsistence

Activities & Events

- Monthly Neighbourhood Brunch
- At least once a week the members of the gardening group work together.
- Workshops and Workcamps (e.g. construction of an insect hotel, raised beds)

Ideas for tomorrow

- Establishment of further beds
- Experimentation with permaculture
- Construction of: cold frame, earthbox, different kinds of potato tower

Partners of the garden

- Ton Steine Gärten
- Freiland e.V.
- Stadt Potsdam
- Interkultureller Garten am Schlaatz

Structure of the garden

- Surface: whole area 5600m² (for gardening appr. 300m²)
- Organisation of plots:
 - Private and collective plots
 - Plots for projects
 - 30 "gardens in a box"
- Equipments & infrastructures:
 - Water in tanks (predominantly)

Management

- NGO (incorporated society)
- Project House: Decision-making at weekly meeting
- Gardening group: decision-making at a weekly meeting (tasks e.g.: construction of different raised beds, cultivation of plants, organisation of the water supply, organisation of workshops).

What do we grow & for whom?

- Vegetables as a form of subsistence
- Herbs, tea plants, flowers
- Food for the gardeners and also for the daily "VoKü" (people's kitchen)

Our good ideas & practices

- Insect hotel
- Monthly Neighbourhood Brunch

Practical information

- Situated close to different stations (bus, city train, regional train)
- Access: for everybody
- Opening hours: during the day

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Name of the
managing
organisation

Verein zur
Förderung
innovativer
Wohn- und
Lebens-
formen e.V.

Birth of the
garden

Mai 2005

Users of the
garden

Persons who
live there,
Neighbours,
Visitors,
Migrants

