

Contact seminar

“Raising the Quality of Teaching in the European Classroom”
 Targeting the improvement of basic skills and exploring innovative ways of
 individualized teaching and learning

October 22nd – October 25th, 2015 in Schwerin – Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania



Schwerin's inimitable Castle

Schwerin is the capital and second-largest city of the northern-east German state of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania within the metropolitan regions of Hamburg and Berlin. It was first mentioned in 1018. The population is about 91.600. The city has a largely intact old town, thanks to only minor damage in World War II.

Schwerin is the town of the 7 lakes. The largest one is the Schweriner See. In the midst of these lakes there was a settlement of the Slavic Obotrite (dated back to the 11th century). The area was called Zuarin, and the name Schwerin is derived from that designation. In 1160, Henry the Lion defeated the Obotrites and captured Schwerin. A castle was built on this site, and expanded to become a ducal palace. Today the castle - crowning an island in the Lake Schwerin and that is supposedly haunted by the small, impious ghost, called Petermännchen - is the Parliament of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania.



view across the castle lake of Schwerin



Draft Programme

Thursday, October 22 nd	
15.00 - 18.00	Arrival at InterCity Hotel Grunthalplatz 5-7 19053 Schwerin Telefon: +49 385 59500 schwerin@intercityhotel.de www.http://de.intercityhotel.com/Schwerin/InterCityHotel-Schwerin
19.00	Welcome drink and introduction to the contact seminar
20.00	Dinner buffet (including regional tasters of typical cuisine of the participants' countries) and "European Market Place"

Friday, October 23 rd	
9.00 - 10.30	Introduction to Erasmus+ programme and Strategic partnerships, representative of PAD Short presentation of the educational system of Mecklenburg- Western Pomerania Presentation of an example of good practice project
10.30	Coffee break
11.00	Getting to know each other – 1-minute-presentations – including ideas for a partnership / finding partners for working groups
12.00 - 13.30	Lunch
13.30 - 15.00	Plenary Working groups, project planning I
15.00 - 15.30	Coffee break



15.30 - 16:30	Working groups, project planning I
17:00	leave from the hotel for a sightseeing walk or something else
19:00	Dinner Restaurant "Wallenstein"

Saturday, October 24th	
9.00	Presentation: Next steps Working groups, project planning II
	Coffee break in between
	Working groups, project planning II
12.00	Lunch
13.15 – 14.15	Presentation of project ideas
14.30	leave from the hotel for a visit 1 st group: of the State Museum 2 nd group: of the Castle Museum
16.15	Free time in Schwerin
19.00	Leave for Dinner (innercity)
19.30	Dinner at Restaurant "Lindengarten"

Sunday, October 25th	
	Breakfast/Departure