

Transdisciplinary workshop on regional development in the context of the site selection process for a final repository for high-level radioactive waste

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Time	Programme Item	Speakers / Moderation
Day 1 – Thursday, 22 January 2026		
12:00 – 13:00	Arrival & Registration, Light Lunch	
13:00 – 13:20	Welcome	Dr. Annika Froese (BASE)
13:20 – 14:00	Introduction: Project Context & Objectives	Project team (UfU & Öko-Institut)
14:00 – 15:30	Input Lectures with Discussion (3 × 20 min + 10 min discussion each)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christopher Müller (Regional Conference Nördlich Lägern, CH) • Heide Gebhardt (Foundation Zukunftsfonds Asse, DE) • Anna Bergsten, Östhammar (SE)
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee Break	
16:00 – 17:30	Interactive Small-Group Work – World Café format (2 Rounds à 45 min)	<p>Four thematic tables - Guiding Questions:</p> <p>Table 1: How can a “region” be described or defined? How can its spatial extent and socio-economic radius be determined?</p> <p>Table 2: How can the development potential of a region be assessed? Which criteria, factors, and approaches are relevant?</p> <p>Table 3: How can the participation of regional and societal actors be organised in developing concepts for promoting regional development? Which requirements for regional conferences arise?</p> <p>Table 4: Which long-term (positive) impacts can be achieved through concepts promoting regional development? How should monitoring of measures be designed?</p>
17:45 – 18:20	Drinks & Gallery Walk	
18:20 – 18:30	Closing & Outlook for Day 2	
18:30 – 19:30	Check-In Hotel & optional dinner reservation for extended exchange	Restaurant “Weltwirtschaft”

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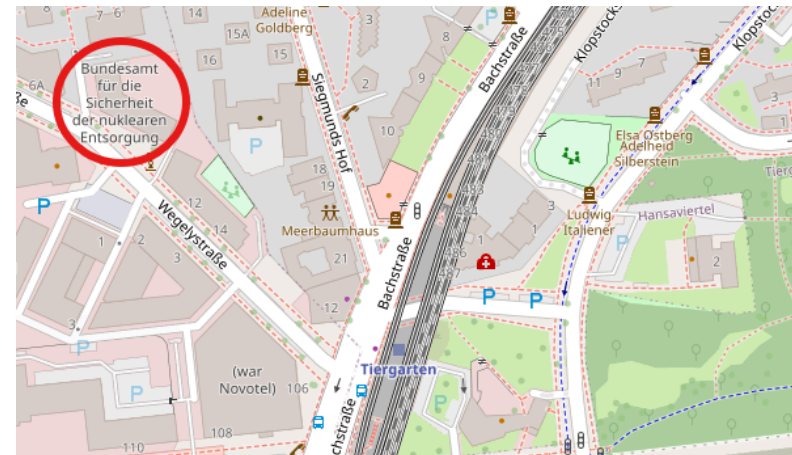
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Day 2 – Friday, 23 January 2026		
09:00 – 09:15	Welcome & Recap of Day 1	Moderation: Project team
09:15 – 09:45	Presentation on the status of regional conferences and development in the German site selection process	Evelyn Bodenmeier (BASE)
09:45 – 10:05	Presentation on success factors and synthesis of findings	Project team (UfU & Öko-Institut)
10:05 – 10:30	Coffee break	
10:30 – 11:30	Fishbowl discussion: ‘From international experiences to the German site selection process – What defines successful regional development?’	Invited panellists: Prof. Dr. Tapio Litmanen, University of Jyväskylä (FIN), Jürgen Rüffer, National Citizens’ Oversight Committee (NBG), and one person from Federal Office for the Safety of Nuclear Waste Disposal (BASE) + open participation from the plenary
11:30 – 12:00	Plenary discussion: ‘From theory to practice: how to communicate recommendations to regional conferences?’	Project team
12:00 – 12:30	Closing & Farewell	BASE & Project team
12:30	Lunch Option & Departure	

Directions

The workshop takes place at the

Federal Office for the Safety of Nuclear Waste Management
 Bundesamt für die Sicherheit der nuklearen Entsorgung
 Wegelystraße 8
 10623 Berlin
 Deutschland

Nearest public transport: S Tiergarten



Restaurant “Weltwirtschaft”

John-Foster-Dulles-Allee 10, 10557 Berlin

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