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# Supporting Innovation through Thematic Clustering Urban Mobility and Connectivity Approach of Stuttgart Region – Germany

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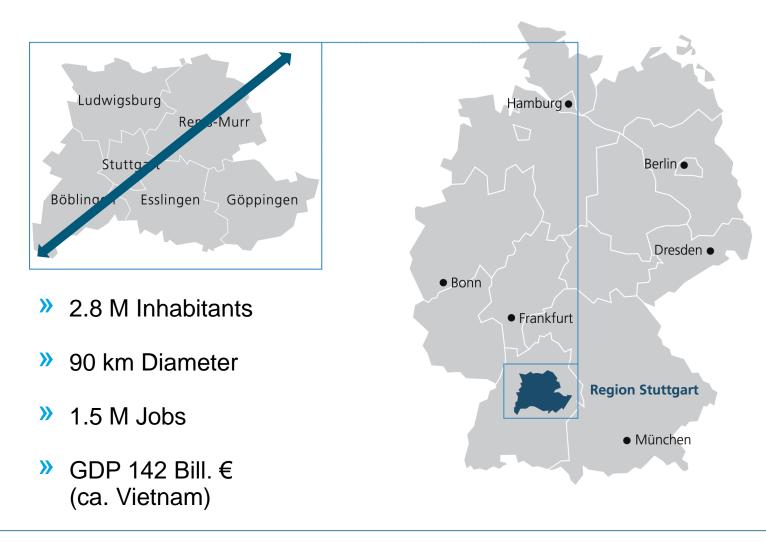
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Stuttgart Region Where / what is this?

## 500 km southwest of Brussels - In the heart of Europe...



### ... Metropolitan Area in Southwestern Germany...



### ... where Innovation meets Tradition ...



- International population from more than 170 countries
- Cradle of the car
- >> High-tech location
- Low unemployment rates high social standards

### ... and lifestyle.

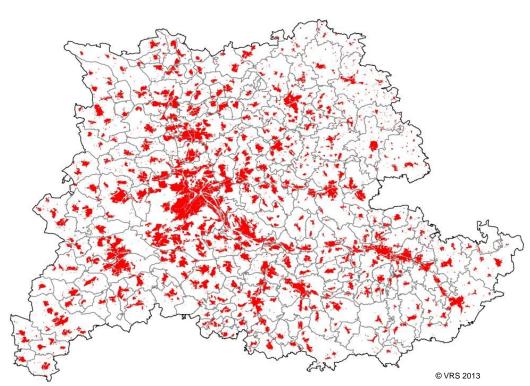


- First class cultureand leisure options
- 1.814 hours of sunshine /
  42 M liters of wine production

>> High-end cuisine 14 Michelin stars

Many historic buildings, castles..

#### Not a city – but 179



- 6 Counties
- > 179 Municipalities
- Regional lifestyle 75 % commuters
- Production chains independent from local boundaries
- Many global players in international competition
- Small local units provide sites and services for large-scale industry
- Supra-municipal coordination by Verband Region Stuttgart

## **Competences on Regional level** Planning – Development – Infrastructure





- Comprehensive Regional Planning
  - Mandatory guidelines for local land use plans
  - Support for municipalities housing, commercial, open spaces

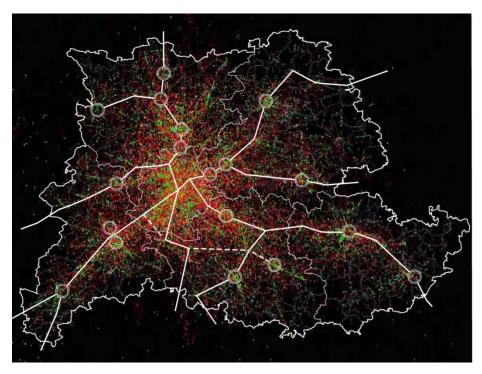
Region Stuttgart

- Economic development
  - Strong cooperation with municipalities, counties
  - Many services for public sector and private companies
  - Strong cluster policy and network activities on international level
- Infrastructure
  - Extension / operation Metro-System
  - Supporting introduction of new technologies

# Stuttgart Region's Approach to Urban Mobility and Connectivity

**Examples** 

# Fostering efficient structures and transit-oriented development



- Provide reliable data for traffic / emission assessment
- Co-ordination of residential, industrial areas and transport planning of sites and corridors
- More development and higher density in places with access to metro / railway

### Places for jobs – and a changing industry: Regional scale industrial/commercial areas

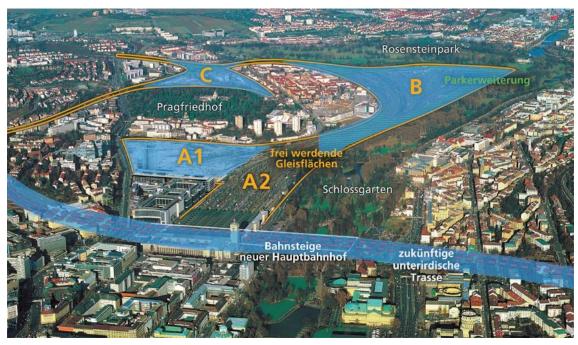


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- Regional economy based on industry
- Specific demands for spatial development (e.g. size, access, emissions...)
- >> New products, new technologies, new facilities for R&D and production
- Protection of suitable sites Environmental impact assessment
- >> e.g. 45 sites dedicated for large scale industrial development

### Improving the trans-european grid: Stuttgart 21 – Railway + urban development project



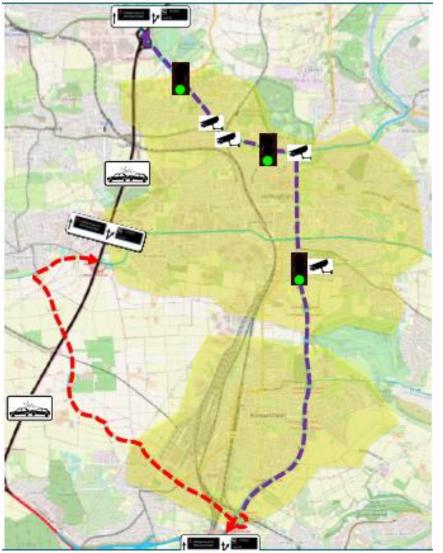
- Changing Terminus to Through station
- Faster connection to major metropolitan areas
- Improvement of regional public transport
- Saining highly integrated areas for urban development

## Keep Stuttgart Region moving: Extending tracks and services



- Backbone of sustainable regional development
- Ongoing projects to extend tracks and stations
- More trains, higher frequencies, better services
- Introducing modern equipment for train control

# Regional transport management across municipal borders



- Cooperative strategies between transport authorities and municipalities
- Share information on the state of infrastructure (e.g. construction sites), on traffic performance and on strategies performed
- Communicate information to users
- Trigger traffic light synchronisation

## Support innovation: Pilot program for sustainable mobility



- "Birthplace" of the automobile OEM, suppliers still important (GDP, jobs)
- Stuttgart as example for energy efficiency, innovative mobility, R&D, pilot projects
- > 15 m. € program to improve sustainable transport; e.g.
  - Car-pools / car-sharing
  - E-Mobility / Charging infrastructure / driverless vehicles
  - Joint Bike / Bus concepts / Rental bikes / "pedelecs"
  - easier payment for public transport / "smart cards"
- Acquisition of additional funding

#### Mobility makes the world go round!



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