

3rd International Servas Meeting in the Ruhr Area in Germany



Welcome to the Ruhr Metropolis from 12 to 14 August 2022

Servas Germany would like to invite you to a region which is still regarded as a secret tip. The Ruhr region located in North Rhine-Westphalia in the west of Germany, is about 60 km north-east of Cologne.

(<https://www.germany.travel/en/cities-culture/ruhr-area.html>)

This used to be a steel and coal mining area but today you'll find inviting parks, gardens and recreational areas where people love to go for walks or cycling. Former industrial sites are now venues for art and culture, sport and entertainment.

This will be the 3rd International Servas Meeting in the Ruhr Area and this time we're going to visit the Landscape Park Duisburg-Nord, an urban oasis covering 180 hectares, where industrial heritage, nature and a fascinating spectacle of light have combined to form a park landscape unlike any other in the world. (<https://landschaftspark.de/en/visitor-information/landscape-park/>)

We also want to show you that this region is not just about coal and steel and together we'll all go on a discovery tour of the Port of Duisburg, the world's largest inland port and the leading logistics hub in central Europe (<https://www.duisburg.de/wohnenleben/wasser/hafen.php>).

Programme:

Friday: * Arrive at hosts' homes

Saturday: * 12 noon: Welcome at the Hauptschaltheus restaurant at the Landscape Park Duisburg-Nord.

* Followed by an approx. 2-hour guided tour (also in English)

* Then you can either go for a walk around the large park, enjoy a coffee at the Hauptschaltheus or the kiosk.

* 6pm: Evening meal and get-together at the Hauptschaltheus

Sunday: * 11.30: We meet for an approx. 2-hour tour of the Port of Duisburg in Duisburg-Ruhrort. Meeting place: Outside the German Inland Waterways Museum, Apostel Strasse 84, 4719 Duisburg

* Followed at 2pm by farewell lunch at Restaurant "Siamo Qui" next to the museum.

Your hosts will be Servas members. If you would like to arrive earlier or stay on after the weekend, we'll be happy to help.

Registration: The number of participants is limited to 15 guests.

Charges: There are no charges to pay in advance. The guided tours and tour of the port will cost approx. 20€ per person. Everyone will pay for their own food and drink at the restaurants and cafés.

Register by emailing the registration form to: servas-treffen-ruhrgebiet@gmx.de

All participants must be fully vaccinated.

Please register by 30 June 2022 at the latest.