Dear participants of the International Transport Forum,

Welcome to the “Leipzig by bike” tour 2019!

After the overwhelming last 8 year’s tours on different topics on urban life in Leipzig, this unique excursion will introduce you to the spring season in our city: the fascinating large green areas, its rivers and canals, the most modern and innovative zoological park, urban gardening and huge possibilities for active leisure and recreation of young and old citizens – as well as an impression of the history of our city: the fascinating residential quarter of German Gründerzeit and our industrial heritage.

The way of life in Leipzig revolves around outdoor activities as much as possible. Leipzig is offering its citizens and guests a very charming atmosphere. I would like to invite you to feel this special spirit of Leipzig by yourself!

Enjoy the tour and be relaxed!

Burkhard Jung
Mayor of Leipzig
Tour stations

1. Start and End of Tour: Federal Administrative Court (Bundesverwaltungsgericht): The building of the Federal Administrative Court was constructed in 1895. Until 1945 it was used as the premises of the Reichsgericht (Imperial Court of Justice). It was destroyed during the Second World War and rebuilt in 1952. Over the years, its rooms and halls have been used by various institutions, e.g. the Museum of Fine Arts. The building was extensively renovated after the decision to move the Federal Administrative Court from Berlin to Leipzig in 2002.

2. Clara Zetkin Park: Prime example of garden art in Leipzig. The distinctive ponds and central linden alley are among the park’s main features. Especially during summer, it offers a big range of open air attractions and reflects the lively atmosphere of young urban life.

3. Festival ground at the stadium: The festival ground is situated next to the Red Bull Arena, the football stadium of RB Leipzig with 45,000 seats for match enthusiasts. Various open-air acts like shows, summer cinema, festivals and business events are regularly fascinating up to 70,000 visitors at this area of 40,000 m². Internationally renowned stars like Depeche Mode or the Rolling Stones gave concerts here.

4. Waldstraßenviertel: The unique historical residential quarter of German Gründerzeit is one of the largest, most complete and best preserved areas of this kind in Europe.

5. Rosental: The popular park is a local recreation area and part of the Auwald with an elaborate network of paths.

6. Gohliser Schlösschen: Gohlis Palace is a piece of jewellery of the cultural history in Saxony. The original fabric of the building is still preserved and demonstrates the bright atmosphere of the rococo. Today, it offers an exclusive ambience for all kinds of events.

7. Mediencampus “Villa Ida”: Since 2006 the campus has been headquarters of the Leipzig School of Media. Apart from its role as excellent provider of extra-occupational master study programs, the Media Campus serves as modern and exclusive place for conferences and seminars. It is also home to the European Center for Press and Media Freedom (ECPMF).

8. Zoo Leipzig: Founded in 1878 by Ernst Pinker in the heart of the city, it is today one of the most beautiful and modern zoo in the world. You can experience around 850 species living in habitats created close to their natural ones within 6 exciting theme worlds. The unique Gondwanaland Tropical Experience has the size of two football pitches.