

The district of Heilbronn — Life – Work – Perspectives

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Das Buch schildern die Geschichte der Kommunen von ihrer Entstehung bis zur Kreisreform (Autor: Dr. Joachim Hennze) und stellen die Kommunen im einzelnen dar (Autor: Christian Gleichauf). Sie zeigen Lieblingsorte von achtzehn prominenten Bürgerinnen und Bürgern des Raums Heilbronn. Sie erklären die Grundlagen von Landschaft und Weinbau (Autor: Dr. Joachim Hennze), kommentieren die Entstehung

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Greeting from the deputy prime minister and minister of the interior Thomas Strobl

The district of Heilbronn offers a lot:

With its attractive landscape, excellent infrastructure and flourishing economy, it is a popular place to live and work for numerous citizens.

Furthermore, the district of Heilbronn is well known for its millennial architectural history. I was born and raised in Heilbronn, and today I enjoy living there with my wife. We presently live in the city centre, right at the Neckar, a few hundred metres away from the market place. That's one of the reasons why I am very thrilled about the project "The district of Heilbronn. Life - Work - Perspectives," which shows the whole region in an elaborate combination of text and image.

The project includes an illustrated book with accompanying essays, an exhibition, a web presence and an audio visions show. It highlights the scenic, cultural, historic and economic variety of the district of Heilbronn by giving facts and figures about the municipalities, as well as of the companies and their products.

I would like to express my gratitude towards all those who contributed to such a marvelous project. Special thanks go to the photographer Bernhard J. Lattner for his exceptional work and to the art historian Dr. Joachim J. Hennze for the appealing essays, which round out the reference guide.

The project "The district of Heilbronn. Life - Work - Perspectives" undoubtedly contributes to making the various facets of our beautiful region of Heilbronn more famous.

I'm looking forward to visiting the opening of the exhibition and I hope that the visitors as well as the readers will have fascinating insights into the district of Heilbronn.

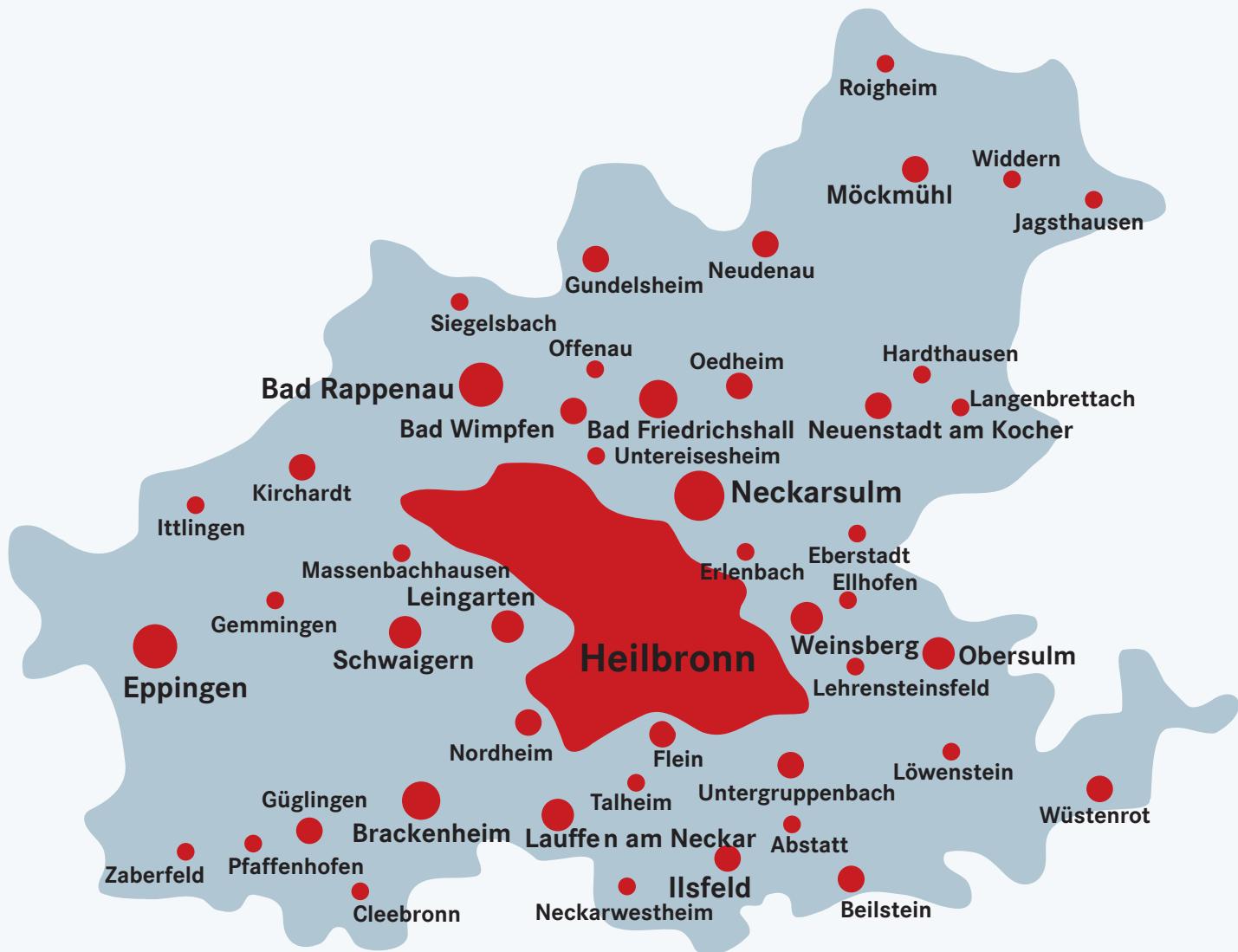
Stuttgart, January 2017



Thomas Strobl

Deputy prime minister and minister of the interior, digitisation and migration of Baden-Württemberg

The district of Heilbronn



The development of the municipalities in the district of Heilbronn until 1806

Eppingen – Gemmingen – Ittlingen

Eppingen is a town that is located in the Kraichgau. During the 10th century, it was influenced by the bishops of Worms and Speyer. The town of Eppingen was first mentioned in 985 and had already received town ordinances and privileges throughout the Staufer period. In 1481, the town became part of the Kurpfalz. Its Kurfürsten took advantage of the local economic strength and allowed the town numerous privileges, for example by giving the right to hold two fairs in 1479 and one farmers' market in 1525. In the 15th and 16th centuries, Eppings culture and economy flourished, and its history can still be retraced today when looking at the large number of timber frame constructions. In 1803, Eppingen was affiliated to Baden, and ten years later it became the seat of a Bezirksamt.



Eppingen, new town hall

Gemmingen was first mentioned in 769, and it was under authority of the widely ramified Familie von Gemmingen since the Late Middle Ages. In 1806, Gemmingen became part of Baden.

Ittlingen dates back to around 773 and was under authority of different local aristocratic families. The most influential family was the Familie von Gemmingen, which ruled at least since the 15th century. In 1806, Ittlingen became part of Baden.

Schwaigern – Leingarten – Massenbachhausen

Schwaigern was first mentioned in 766. The town was under the control of the free Herren von Schwaigern in the early 12th century and until the 13th century, when the Herren von Neipperg gained control. In 1486, Schwaigern received the right to hold markets. The Schwaigerner Burg was destroyed during the “Pfälzischer Erbfolgekrieg” in 1690. The Herren von Neipperg built the “oberes Schloss” here in 1702 and declared it to be their main domicile. In 1906, Schwaigern became part of Württemberg.

Leingarten consists of the former independent municipalities Großgartach and Schluchtern. Großgartach was first documented in 766. In the Middle Ages, it was under the authority of various monasteries and several Reichsritter. In the 15th century, the dukes of Württemberg eked out the territorial sovereignty and they let the “Heuchelberger Warte” be built as a border security in 1483. In 1806, Großgartach finally became part of the kingdom of Württemberg. Both the Herren von Neipperg and those of Massenbach had estates in Schluchtern, and in the 15th century took control of the line Pfalz-Mosbach. Schluchtern was captured by the Großherzogtum Baden in 1806.



Leingarten, new town hall

The development of the municipalities in the district of Heilbronn until 1806

Massenbachhausen was first documented in 773. Among its changing owners were the Herren von Massenbachhausen and those of Neipperg. From 1585 on, Massenbachhausen was under the authority of the aristocratic family Echter von Mespelbrunn from Franken; later it was controlled by the von Dalberg and von Ingelheim, until it came back to Neipperg in 1737. From 1806 on, Massenbachhausen was part of the Königreich Württemberg.

Brackenheim – Cleebronn – Güglingen

Pfaffenhofen – Zaberfeld

Since 1246, **Brackenheim** was under the authority of the Herren von Magenheim, who had already been well off in the Kraichgau and Zaubergäu regions since the middle of the 12th century. Württemberg obtained 1321 shares. From 1363 on, the town was finally under the authority of the Herzöge von Württemberg, who built the Schloss Brackenheim and had the town expanded as an administrative town.

Cleebronn was first documented in 1279. It was under the authority of Württemberg and the Magenheimer, and later of the Kurfürstentum Mainz. Nevertheless, shares from Mainz and Württemberg were not united until 1844.

Güglingen, first documented in 1188, is one of the oldest places in the district of Heilbronn. Until about 260 A.D., there was a Roman colony with a bathhouse and a Mithras sanctuary in the area where the town later developed. It became part of Württemberg in 1340.

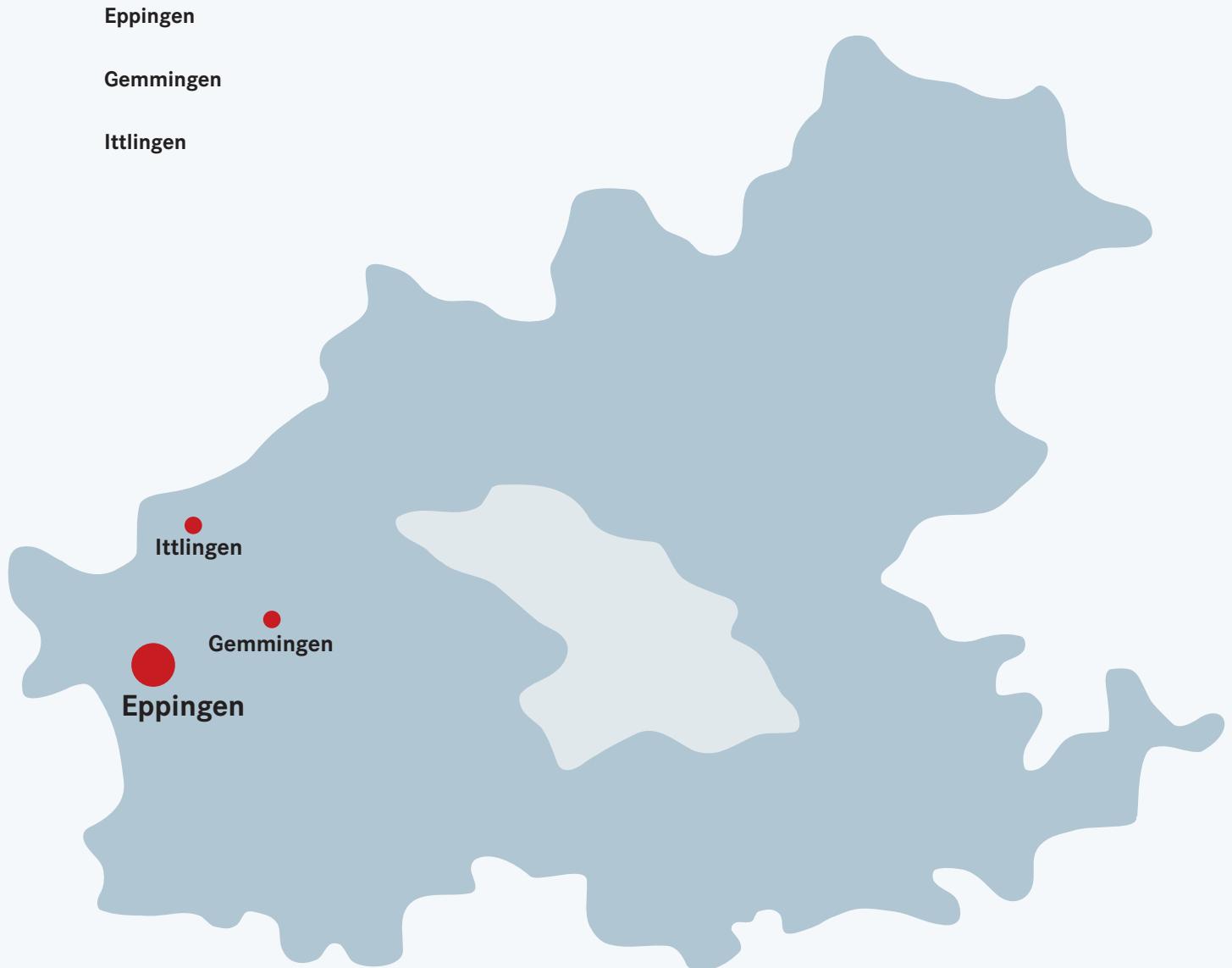


Güglingen, media library and "Realschule"

Pfaffenhofen was first documented in 1279 and became part of Württemberg in 1380.

Zaberfeld was first documented in 1321, when it was under the authority of the Herren von Magenheim. From 1355 on, the town stood under suzerainty of Württemberg, but the nearby Herren von Stettenfels took it as a fiefdom until the middle of the 18th century. In 1749, Zaberfeld became part of Württemberg.

The district of Eppingen



Large district city Eppingen

The city walls of Eppingen surround a little gem of southern Germany's timber constructions. Around the "Pfeifferturm", the oldest architectural monument of the city, some marvelous and thoroughly restored Alemannic and Franconian timber buildings are located. Those buildings represent architectural styles from the Gothic to the Baroque and even include contemporary examples, still evoking the great romance of the medieval city. Since 1983, the entire old town of Eppingen has been granted protection as a historically significant contribution to timber architecture. Eppingen is a hospitable city that has a lot to offer tourists. It is surrounded by one of the largest forested areas in Baden-Württemberg. Within this forested area, visitors can see the "Eppinger Linien", a defense facility extending from Weißenstein near Pforzheim to Neckargemünd. This ditch and bank system goes back to the 17th century, where it was protected by watchtowers, so called "Chartaque". A replica of this can be visited in the forest of Eppingen, near Kleingartach.

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Eppingen-Kleingartach, landscape with vineyard



Eppingen, the Merian-view

Large district city Eppingen

Municipalities in the district of Heilbronn



Eppingen, "Alte Universität"

In the 800 square metre city and framework museum "Alte Universität", visitors learn a lot about the eventful and millennial history of the city, about the life, work, art and culture of past generations. Other parts of the district have interesting

museums as well, including the stone graver museum in Mühlbach, the farmers museum in Richen, the tobacco museum in Elsenz and the viticulture museum in Kleingartach.

Large district city Eppingen

The old town hall ("Altes Rathaus"), which was designed according to the "Weinbrenner" style, was used as an administrative office in the 70s, until for logistical reasons, relocation became necessary. Meanwhile, the restoration has been completed and the extension from 2007 enabled the municipal administration to move back into the historical centre of the

Municipalities in the district of Heilbronn

city. At the same time, the city centre developed into a lively location for trade, service, culture and tourism. Street cafés and beer gardens provide a Mediterranean flair in the summer months. The city-rail line Karlsruhe-Heilbronn in particular has made the city centre more attractive place to live.



Eppingen, town hall

Large district city Eppingen



Eppingen, Künstlerfahnenfestival

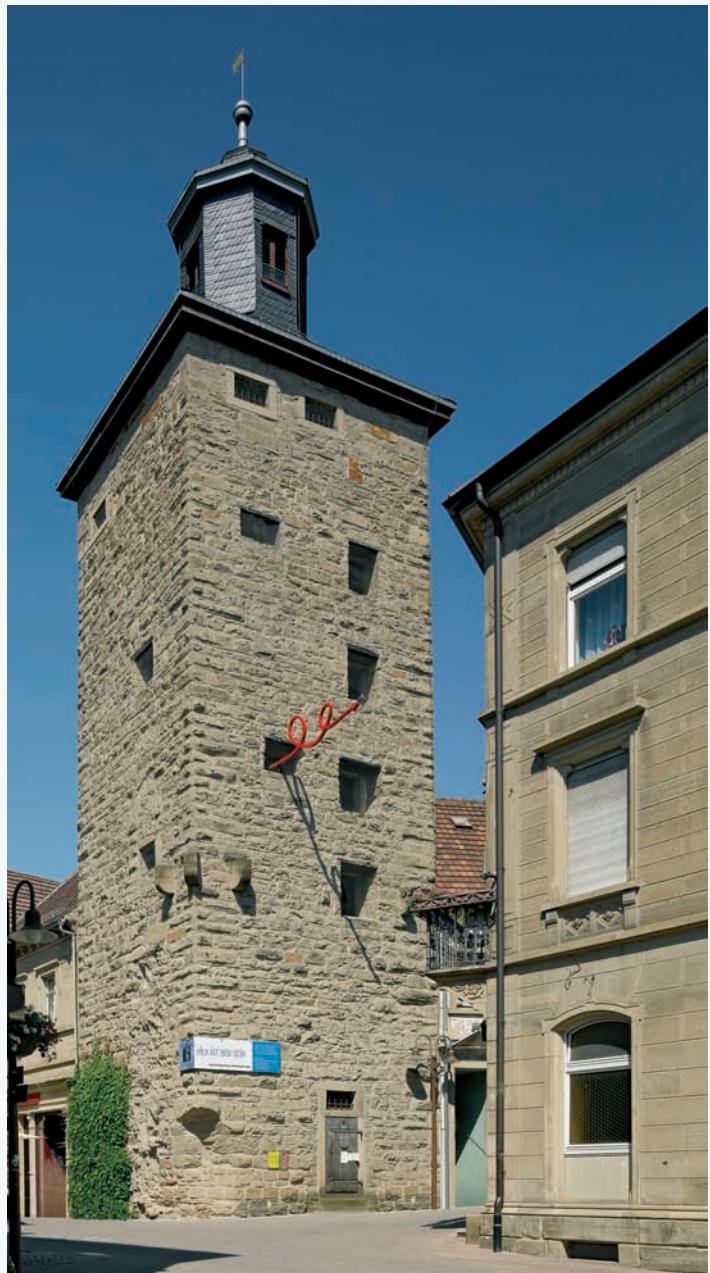
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The large district city of Eppingen, with its nearly 22.000 residents, is a regular major attraction: The festival in the old town, the potato market, the flag festival, the organ concerts, as well as events like "Jazz in the old town," have made a name for themselves.



Eppingen, Baumannsches Haus

Large district city Eppingen



Eppingen, Pfeifferturm

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Eppingen-Mühlbach, main street and town hall



Eppingen, Ottilienberg

Large district city Eppingen



Eppingen, Grundschule im Rot

Eppingen has kindergartens and primary schools in the city centre and in every part of the city. The modern school centre

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Eppingen, music school

with "Gymnasium", "Realschule", "Gemeinschaftsschule" and a canteen offers a divers care offer.



Eppingen, Selma-Rosenfeld-Realschule

Large district city Eppingen

The business location Eppingen is characterised by three pillars: Firstly, the metalworking industry that developed successfully in the surrounding neighbourhood of the company "Dieffenbacher", which is the largest local employer. The second significant field of work is the nutrition sector.

The "Kraichgau Raiffeisen Zentrum", the brewery "Palmbräu", as well as the potato- and onion producer "Wild" together have more than 500 employees and supply the whole federal territory with their products. The third pillar is the plastics industry. Numerous medium-sized companies produce parts and systems for the automobile - and electrical industry, as well as for manufacturers of food and of medical equipment.

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Eppingen, Palmbräu



Eppingen, industrial area at the train station



Next day's edition is being planned in the daily 11 o'clock editorial meeting, which also takes a critical look at the current day's paper.



The Heilbronner Stimme is the leading daily newspaper in the Heilbronn region with nine local editions, a circulation of 85.000 and a daily readership of some 230.000.



Heilbronn, town hall and market place

One of the most beautiful spots in Heilbronn is the market place - surrounded by the historic town hall and the Kilianskirche.

Thomas Strobl – deputy prime minister and minister of the interior, digitalization and migration of Baden-Württemberg, Heilbronn

The history of winegrowing

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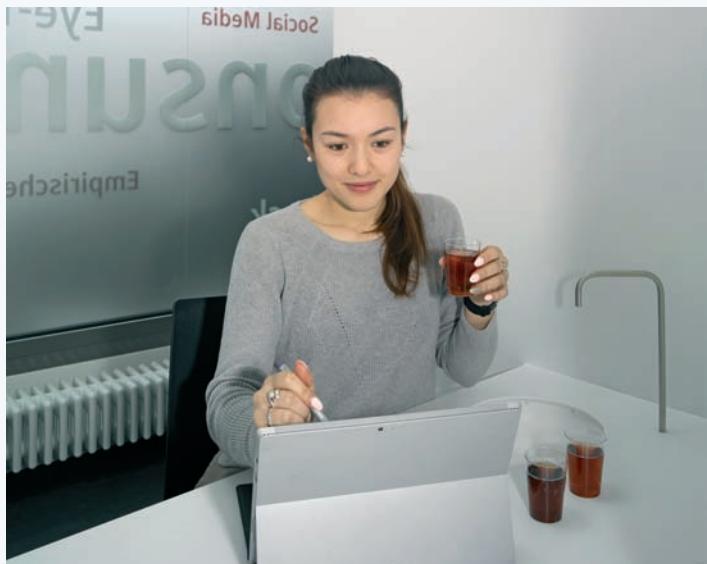


Cleebonn, view to the Michaelsberg

Baden-Wuerttemberg Cooperative State University Heilbronn (DHBW)



Modern media technology in use: DHBW students analyzing commercials.



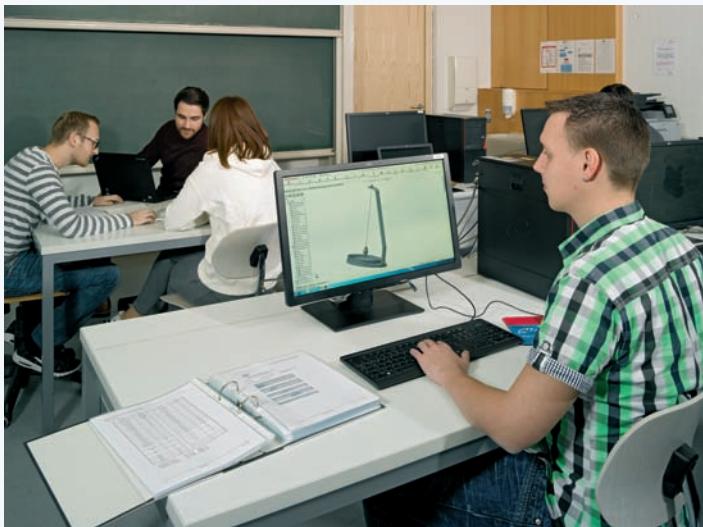
It's all about the senses: food tasting at the DHBW-Sensoricum.



How clean are our hands really after washing?
The test gives the answer.



Food under the microscope: students train their eye for detail.



The students are responsible to produce a duplicate part.
First they design the product in the CAD-lab.



In the next step students craft the particular parts of the sand pendulum.



The student checks the product while it is produced to assure a high quality.



Students assemble the single parts to the sand pendulum.



AutomotiveDIALOG



MetallDIALOG



KunststoffDIALOG



WasserstoffDIALOG



Schwaigern, "Karl-Wagenplast-Museum"

The museum "Karl-Wagenplast" in Schwaigern presents documents of the town's history as well as temporary exhibits in its former wine press.

Theatre

The stages in the district of Heilbronn show a broad variety of regular and open-air theatre. Theatre in Heilbronn is known for its long history: In 1817, the citizen Carl Christoph Braunhardt built a garden hall in today's city garden. In 1836, the so-called "Aktiengartenverein," which was an initiative by the city and its citizens, bought the garden hall, and they modified it to a theatre in 1844. In 1905, the municipality bought the venue and made it the city theatre. In 1913, a new theatre was built. In 1944, parts of it were destroyed, and in 1970 it was blown up. The new construction was planned in the sixties by the architect Gerhard Graubner from Berlin. The theatre construction that exists in Heilbronn today was planned by Rudolf Biste and Kurt Gerling in 1982. It has a monolithic central structure and walls that are supposed to be reminiscent of the initial city fortification on that spot.



Weinsberg, "Kernerhaus"

Since 1986, Weinsberg has a museum that illustrates the instruments, furniture and written records of the physician and poet Justinus Kerner.



Heilbronn, "Stadttheater"

The city theatre of Heilbronn counts 160,000 visitors each year and therefore is the fourth most frequented theatre in Baden-Württemberg after Mannheim, Freiburg and Ulm.

Museums and Theatres



Heilbronn, "Theaterschiff"

For a smaller audience, Heilbronn's showboat, close to the Friedrich-Ebert bridge, is very attractive.

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Neuenstadt am Kocher, "Freilichtspiele"

The open-air theatre in Neuenstadt is highly frequented because of the place's attractiveness. It is located in a renaissance castle.



Möckmühl, "Jagsttalbühne"

In Möckmühl, theatre shows take place on the Jagsttalbühne, which is in front of the "Ruchsener Tor."



Jagsthausen, "Freilichtspiele"

The annual castle festival in Jagsthausen has been highly frequented for more than 60 years. It is regarded to be a permanent part of the theatre work in the district of Heilbronn.

Index municipalities

Abstatt

- urban districts

- Abstatt, Happenbach, Vohenlohe and Burg Wildeck
- area 966 hectare
- inhabitants 4.850
- households 2.205
- five day care centres/kindergartens
- one general education school
- 31 associations
- one music school
- one library
- one museum of local history
- three function rooms
- five sports facilities
- four overnight accommodations in various categories
- twelve catering outlets
- three kilometres to the next motorway

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Bad Friedrichshall

- urban districts

- Kochendorf, Hagenbach, Jagstfeld, Duttenberg, Untergriesheim, Plattenwald
- area 2.474 hectare
- inhabitants 19.264
- households 8.200

- 15 day care centres/kindergartens
- three general education schools, "Werkrealschule" and "Realschule"
- five secondary schools,
- six elementary schools
- 100 associations
- two music schools
- one media library
- one museum in the salt mine
- eight function rooms
- ten sports facilities
- 14 overnight accommodations in various categories
- more than 20 catering outlets
- five kilometres to the next Motorway
- two connections to the city rail line
- one connection to the train DB

Stadt Bad Friedrichshall

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Bad Rappenau

area 7.356 hectare
inhabitants 21.160
Stadt Bad Rappenau
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D-74906 Bad Rappenau
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Bad Wimpfen

- urban districts

- Bad Wimpfen am Berg,
- Bad Wimpfen im Tal, Hohenstadt
- area 1.983 hectare
- inhabitants 6.800
- households 4.830
- three day care centres/kindergartens
- two general education schools
- 62 associations
- one music school "unterer Neckar"
- three museums and Blauer Turm and Roter Turm
- four function rooms
- five sports facilities (three sports halls and two sports fields)
- 93 overnight accommodations in various categories
- 39 providers, 54 boarding houses
- 20 catering outlets
- seven kilometres to the next motorway
- one connection to the city rail line
- one connection to the train DB

Stadt Bad Wimpfen

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Beilstein

area 2.525 hectare
inhabitants 6.178
Stadt Beilstein

Resume

The district of Heilbronn is a scenically but also industrially influenced region, which shines through economic dynamics. Two hundred years ago, the northern Neckar region was made up of a number of administrative units, Besigheim, Brackenheim, Marbach, Neckarsulm, Weinsberg, Öhringen and Heilbronn. Today, this area of nearly 1.200 kilometres has become a unified living and economic space. This space does not only include the large city Heilbronn with its 120.000 inhabitants but also the three sizeable district towns of Neckarsulm, Eppingen and Bad Rappenau, as well as 43 further municipalities. Altogether, around 450.000 people live here: Especially people from Württemberg and Baden but also people from Hohenlohe, from the Palatinate region and people from all over Europe moved to the district of Heilbronn.

The district of Heilbronn is known outside the region for its diverse landscape, which is called "Swabian Tuscany" by its admirers, and also for its vaunted vineyard location. During the transformation from an agricultural to an industrial landscape in the 19th century, numerous factories were founded and grew around Heilbronn. To this day, the main emphasis is set on the automotive and manufacturing sector, the packaging and food industry, trading companies and electrical engineering. At the beginning of the 21st century, further industrial sectors came to the fore: logistics operations, information technology and software development dominate the image of the district, as much as the growing universities in Heilbronn.

The area in general enjoys a healthy, strong combination of diverse components with an emphasis on medium-sized companies results.

The photographer Bernhard J. Lattner is the first to present this complex district in depth. He has taken more than 2.500 photographs of the area between 2008 and 2016. Those photographs allow the viewer to discover new and surprising insights. Bernhard J. Lattner chose the most fascinating ones and now shows his appreciation for landscape, viticulture, building culture, companies and institutions in the district of Heilbronn by presenting them all in this book.

The authors, the art historian Dr. Joachim Hennze and the journalist Christian Gleichauf, provided background information, commented on the photographs with elaborate texts and thereby conceptualised a meaningful reference work for the residents of the district of Heilbronn, for long-established and new inhabitants, for young and old.

In 320 pages, the book "Raum Heilbronn" passes through the municipalities and their history in photo and text and spans a wide range of landscape and viticulture to culture and building history up to a detailed presentation of industries and institutions.