

Delegations & Programs - 2025 / 2026



Expert Delegation Trip to the US & Knowledge Exchange **Carbon Capture and Storage in the US and Germany**

 Nov 30 - Dec 5

 Illinois & California

Experts from Germany: Join our trip to Illinois and California to visit leading carbon capture and storage projects. Explore how academic innovation, government partnerships, and industry collaboration drive CCS from pilots to real-world applications. Take part in meetings, roundtables, and peer exchanges with US and German executives, and help shape future cooperation in the concluding discussion.

To our US experts: Meet / host our German delegation and deepen the dialogue and exchange between CCS stakeholders in the US and Germany.



Delegation Trip to the US Transatlantic Innovation Network: Connecting Midwest & German Startup Ecosystems

 Nov 30 - Dec 5

 Chicago & Denver

Startup Ecosystem Players: Meet our delegation from Germany on our one-week deep dive into the US startup ecosystems. This trip is focused on fostering knowledge exchange, collaboration and building a transatlantic network. Connect with like-minded innovators from the German startup scene, such as economic development organizations, innovation hubs, accelerators and startups. Discover the strategies that drive success and gain inspiration for your own projects. The program is supported by the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (BMWE).



Business Development Trip to the US Battery Manufacturing and Recycling Solutions

 Dec 1-5

 Illinois & Michigan

Meet leading experts from the US and Germany in the field of battery manufacturing/recycling solutions during our events in Illinois and Michigan: These regions are emerging as key hubs for cutting-edge energy solution, and this program offers US stakeholders a unique opportunity to connect with German industry leaders. Participate in our expert conferences, network with potential partners or meet our German experts in one-on-one business meetings. The program is supported by the BMW.



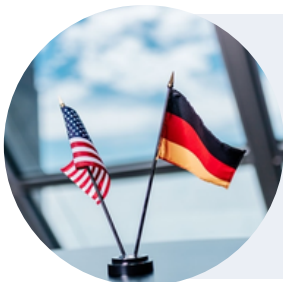
Final Virtual Conference **The Future of Infrastructure**

 Dec 9

 Virtual

Free of charge

After three years of collaboration across borders, sectors, and disciplines, we're bringing together experts, innovators, and policy makers from the US and Germany to reflect on key outcomes, showcase best practices, and shape the pass forward. This dynamic virtual event will highlight insights from our projects on water infrastructure, smart grids, and EV & charging infrastructure, featuring interactive breakout sessions, panels, and concrete recommendations for future transatlantic cooperation.



US Market Entry Bootcamps

2026

 March - Dresden

 March - Düsseldorf

 Sept. - Frankfurt

German businesses: The US Market Entry Bootcamp Seminar provides German companies with the necessary specialist knowledge for a successful market entry in the USA in a compact and short time. All days of the boot camp will feature interactive presentations from subject matter experts on a range of relevant topics, followed by 30-minute one-on-one consultations between the experts and participating companies. In addition, all participants will receive a comprehensive guide to creating a business plan for entering the US market.



Northern Germany Trip to the US Innovation and Structural Change: Advancing Energy, Manufacturing, and Logistics

 May 3-8 2026

 Detroit & Chicago

German companies: The Chambers of Commerce of Ostfriesland-Papenburg, Braunschweig, Elbe-Weser, and Lüneburg-Wolfsburg invite you to join our delegation trip to Detroit and Chicago. The program will focus on renewable energy, smart manufacturing, logistics, as well as the transformation and structural change within the automotive industry. In addition, we will explore the current business climate in the U.S. through visits and exchanges with German companies on site.

US partners and companies: Meet / host our German delegation in IL/MI!

Delegations & Programs - 2026



Business Development Trip to the US

Rheinland-Pfalz Business Delegation

2026, Q1 (TBC)

Chicago

Companies from Rheinland-Pfalz: Join our upcoming delegation trip to Chicago, open to all industries. Participants will benefit from exclusive networking events, company visits, and tailored B2B matchmaking with American partners.

US partners & multipliers: Meet / host our delegation in Chicago!



Multiplier Trip to Germany

Midwest meets Germany - Multiplier & Expert Delegation

2026

Germany

US multipliers: join us on a five-day delegation trip to Germany! We invite representatives from Midwest industry associations, economic development organizations and research institutions to explore opportunities for transatlantic cooperation in manufacturing, smart industry, green technologies, and workforce development. Our program will take you to major economic centers in Germany, where you'll visit innovation hubs and exchange with top associations.

German partners & multipliers: Meet / host our delegation in Germany!



Delegation Trips to the US & Germany

Transatlantic Innovation Network: Connecting Midwest & German Startup Ecosystems

2026-2028

Midwest & Germany

Get involved in our initiative to strengthen the startup ecosystems in Germany and the US Midwest through expert delegation trips to both target regions. With a focus on hard tech innovations in manufacturing & industry (2026), life sciences (2027), and food, beverage & water (2028), the program offers insights into leading technology centers, promotes exchange with investors, research institutions, and startup organizations, and creates a platform for sustainable transatlantic cooperation. Further information on the trip dates in 2026 will follow shortly.



Business Development Trip to the US

Furniture Industry & Skilled Trades

May 11-15, 2026 (tbc)

Chicago & New York

German companies: Join our business development trip to Chicago and New York and discover key opportunities in the U.S. skilled trades and furniture sectors. Gain insights into how innovation, market demand, and cross-industry collaboration are shaping the future of the American market. Participate in targeted meetings, exclusive company visits, and high-level networking events with U.S. industry leaders to explore new partnerships and strategies for success.

US partners and companies: Meet / host our German delegation in IL/NY!



Trade Show in Germany

HANNOVER MESSE 2026

April 20-24

Hanover, Germany

To all US businesses: Join us at the world's leading industrial trade fair - where innovation meets opportunity. Our tailored exhibitor experience at HANNOVER MESSE 2026 offers businesses a powerful platform to showcase their technologies, connect with global decision-makers, and explore cutting-edge advancements across industry sectors. Whether you're scaling up or expanding into new markets, this is where visibility turns into value. Let us help you make an impact on the international stage.

Are you interested in joining one of our trips? Would you like to meet our delegates at one of our events or host a site visit for them at your organization?
Are you interested in being included as a speaker or panelist for any of our topics? Would you like us to plan a delegation or event for your organization?

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