



POST LEARNING EVENT REPORTING TEMPLATE

As part of eThekweni Municipality's commitment to strengthen our organisation's culture of learning and sharing, this form presents information on a recent out of town trip, visit, learning exchange undertaken by an official from the municipality. This information will be posted on the MILE website (www.mile.org.za) in the interest of advancing our **KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT** agenda. Thank you for taking the time to complete the form.

1. What was the NAME OF THE EVENT?

Bremen Sister City Programme

2. The DATE attended:

25-30 May 2015

3. VENUE

(further details on venue)

Bremen, Germany

4. OFFICIALS WHO ATTENDED?

Shelley Gielink - Senior Manager: International Projects and Donor Relations

5. What area of expertise did the event cover?

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| Culture, heritage and sport | <input type="checkbox"/> | Engineering and the built environment | <input type="checkbox"/> | IT and Finance | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Economic development and Tourism | <input type="checkbox"/> | Health and Safety | <input type="checkbox"/> | City strategy and planning | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Energy and the natural environment | | Good governance | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |

Other: Donor Relations, Youth Development and Maritime Co-operation

6. What was the PURPOSE OF THE EVENT, THE BROAD OBJECTIVES, AND THEMES? Why was it of importance?

To attend panel to select graduate volunteers from Germany funded by the German Federal Government through Weltwärts Bremen who spend one year in Africa working on sustainable development projects.

To meet with donors with whom we work on current and future projects.

To meet with Bremen Ports and Bremen College of Maritime studies to arrange capacity building exchanges to benefit the local maritime industry.

To meet with Sport Development partners in Bremen

7. What in your opinion are some of the KEY LEARNINGS that you came away with? In other words, what stood out for you? Were there any "aha!" learning moments that you can share with colleagues? What were some of the KEY OBSERVATIONS that were important or different?

The election for the State Parliament took place on May 10, 2015. The Parliament constituted itself on July 1 and starts the legislative period on 19 July 2015. Results of the election are as follows:

SDP 32.8% CDU 22.4% Lefts 9.5% Liberals 6.6%

Greens 15.1% Alternative for Germany 5.5% Furious Citizen 3.2% Single 1 %

The SDP and Greens will form a coalition with 5 SDP and 3 Greens. Mr Jens Boehrnsen resigned as Mayor of Bremen and Mr Carsten Sieling (SDP) is Mayor elect and Mrs Karoline Linnert (Green) is Mayoress elect. Mr Christian Weber remains the President of the Bremen Parliament.

8. As a result of this event, what is the ONE CHANGE that you may consider making backing back at work, if any? What follow ups are envisaged?

Volunteers selected will be processed for visas etc and welcomed in Durban on 1 September 2015.

Captain W Willig will perform a training course for port authorities in early July. More details from eThekwini Economic Development Department - Noma Sokhela. 311 -1111

Donor funding will be applied for a Fairtrade and eco-tourism project.

9. Please indicate details of useful CONTACTS AND NETWORKS that were established during the event?

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Photo of South north programme being welcomed in city hall of Bremen which is 600 years old. They will stay for one year



Seminar where they address all the volunteers who wish to be placed in Africa



Historic city hall of Bremen

