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Cosmopolitan Conurbation with 2 Million Inhabitants

Nuremberg, the second-largest city in Bavaria and the fourteenth-largest local authority in Germany, has profited from its central European economic location, especially since the eastern expansion of the European Union. Nuremberg with its 500,000 inhabitants is the Northern Bavarian centre of economy, service industry and culture, as well as the centre of a conurbation of about two million people. The percentage of foreign nationals, more than 17.4 percent, is higher than the Bavarian average (2008: 9.4 %) and the average in the Federal Republic of Germany (2008: 8.8 %). Turks constitute the largest group of foreign residents. In addition, many re-patriates and refugees from the countries of the former Soviet Union live in Nuremberg. In Nuremberg, the co-existence of all those nationalities is characterised by tolerance and harmonious co-operation. Nuremberg maintains twinning links with 14 cities, including Atlanta (USA), Hadera (Israel), Krakow (Poland), Prague (Czech Republic), Glasgow (Scotland), Kharkiv (Ukraine), Shenzhen (China), Cordoba (Spain) and Venice (Italy)

Nuremberg European Metropolitan Region

On 28 April, 2005, the Conference of Ministers for Regional Planning included the Nuremberg economic region as one of the eleven Metropolitan Regions in Germany.

With 3.5 million inhabitants in Nuremberg Metropolitan Region and a gross domestic product (GDP) of 110 billion Euros, the Metropolitan Region plays in the Champions League of European economic regions. 1.8 million employees in 150,000 companies produce goods and services, 42 per cent for export. The region's very favourable location at the intersection of three pan-European corridors makes Nuremberg Metropolitan Region a gateway region within an expanded Europe.

In addition to the densely populated conurbation of Nuremberg/Fürth/Erlangen/Schwabach, Nuremberg Metropolitan Region also comprises a dense and varied network linking several important urban centres and rural areas. One of the hallmarks of Nuremberg Metropolitan Region is that it has several important centres. The entire region is characterised by a high quality of life.

In Nuremberg European Metropolitan Region (EMN), cities and rural districts have formed voluntary associations. Industry, science, culture, sports and administration also make their

Congress- und Tourismus-Zentrale Nürnberg Frauentorgraben 3 90443 Nürnberg Deutschland Pressestelle Telefon: +49 911 23 36-114 zilk@ctz-nuernberg.de tourismus.nuernberg.de strategic contributions via the EMN's steering committee. The EMN's democratic core is the Council comprising over 50 district chief executives, lord mayors and mayors. There are seven specialist forums, with over 400 agents from various walks of society. Growing together – in both meanings of the phrase – is a leitmotif for Nuremberg Metropolitan Region.

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