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The aim of the project: Construction of the Heideradweg (approx. 25 kilometers) in the Lieberoser Heide as a contribution to networking the region

Partners: County of Spree-Neiße (funding), cooperation with County of Dahme-Spreewald, County of Oder-Spree, Ingenieurgemeinschaft WTU GmbH (planning)

Project implementation time:

Start of construction: December 2021

Planned completion: December 2022

Budget: Approx. 5.5 Mill. € funding from the federal budget for infrastructural development and support of nature-based sustainable tourism in the region

Granted by:

The German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety (BMU, German: Bundesministerium für Umwelt, Naturschutz und nukleare Sicherheit) is funding the project based on a resolution of the German Bundestag as part of the funding program "Municipal Model Projects for the Implementation of Ecological Sustainability Goals in Regions of Structural Change (KoMoNa)".

Priority line/Specific objective:

Context:

The Heideradweg is a project of the International Nature Exhibition Lieberoser Heide (I.N.A.). Among others, it serves to link the places of adjacent projects of the International Nature Exhibition and is intended to contribute to networking with the cultural attractions of the region as well as to nature-compatible tourism.

Description:

The total length of the Heideradweg including already developed roads is 24.8 kilometers.

As a superordinate connection between the Spreewald, the city of Lieberose and the Lieberoser Heide until the Lusatian Lakeland, the route of the Heideradweg links the Gurkenradweg and the Tour Brandenburg. Tourist attractions such as the Schlaubetal valley and the Schwielochsee lake, including their cultural tourism offerings, can thus be accessed by bicycle, for example, through round trips.

The cycle path runs predominantly on the disused Cottbus - Frankfurt (Oder) railroad line.

Exact routing:

The Heideradweg begins in the south near Preilack at the municipal road "Turnower Straße Ausbau" and runs on the former railroad line to Jamlitz (district of Dahme-Spreewald), passes through the village of Jamlitz and turns back onto the railroad line at the former station. Here it continues in a northerly direction to Weichensdorf (Oder-Spree district) and is to be extended in perspective to Oelsen (Oder-Spree district) in order to connect to the long-distance cycle route network.

In Peitz (along the B168), the Heideradweg, Gurkenradweg and Tour Brandenburg are linked.



Results:

Construction of the Heideradweg in the Jamlitz area began in December 2021.

Limiting factors: Until the start of construction, there were delays in the project due to difficulties in acquiring land and securing building rights. These obstacles have now been overcome, but the delays led to a lack of understanding among the population. Planning law preparations take a long time in Germany because there were also objections in some localities: "A bike path is good, but please not in my neighborhood!"

Applicability and upscaling: Further activities to upgrade the route to the right and left of the cycle path. Among other things, buildings of the field office of the Sachsenhausen concentration camp are to be renovated in Jamlitz starting in 2022. So far, there is only an open-air exhibition in Jamlitz to commemorate the camp period. The opening of the memorial is planned for 2025.

Public work map:

<https://www.arcgis.com/home/webmap/viewer.html?webmap=ea4cc1f9872d46b09ff81c6a774d9b60>

Others: Pictures

Figure 1: Former railway track in the north of Preilack – part of the new cycle path (Source: Landkreis Spree-Neiße)



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Figure 2: Former railway station Jamlitz – part of the new cycle path (Source: Landkreis Spree-Neiße)

Links:

<https://www.landkreis-oder-spree.de/heideradweg/>

<https://www.ina-lieberose.de/projekte/detail/heideradweg>

https://www.lkspn.de/tourismus/bauvorhaben_heideradweg.html

<https://www.lr-online.de/lausitz/luebben/durch-die-lieberoser-heide-heideradweg-nimmt-die-naechste-huerde-44142999.html>

<https://www.ubl-lds.de/radweg-durch-die-lieberoser-heide/>

