

# Study visit to the city of Freiburg, Germany

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Within the framework of UPSIDE project, Municipality of Maribor (MOM) established Smart City Maribor initiative, a network of stakeholders of Podravje region in Slovenia. With the aim of sharing good practices and knowledge a number of study visits in Slovenia and other European countries are being organised. Thus Municipality of Maribor seized the opportunity to visit a sustainable oriented city of Freiburg in Germany.

Visit took place between 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2016 and was held in the light of exchange of experiences and the design of joint potential smart city project. During the visit, team from MOM met with representatives of the Fraunhofer Institute (Fraunhofer ISE), representatives of the Institute of ICLEI (Association of Local Governments for Sustainability) and representatives of the city of Freiburg.

Representatives of the city of Freiburg introduced us the interesting concept of Green City Freiburg and a project called Green Industry Park. In addition, we visited city quarter Vauban. Vauban is a new neighbourhood in Freiburg (planned for 5.000 inhabitants and 600 jobs) and represents a sustainable city quarter.

Links:

- <http://www.projekti-maribor.si/index.php/o-nas/novice-in-obvestila/368-studijski-obisk-mesta-freiburg-nemcija-v-okviru-projekta-upside> (with some photos)
- <http://www.iclei.org/about/who-is-iclei.html>
- <http://www.iclei-europe.org/members/member-in-the-spotlight/archive/freiburg/>
- <https://www.ise.fraunhofer.de/en>
- <http://www.freiburg.de/>
- <http://www.vauban.de/en/>
- [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vauban,\\_Freiburg](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vauban,_Freiburg)
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=juzg66OTVXo>

