

1st European Award of Excellence

»City for Children«



2009

Outdoor Activities

Mobility and Traffic Safety



Robert Bosch Stiftung

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Initiators

Dr. Wolfgang Schuster
Mayor, City of Stuttgart



Family policy and essentially the creation of a child-friendly framework need to be a focus of all political decision-making because the future of our cities depends upon our children.

Irini (Hera) Ralli – Valsamaki
Deputy Mayor, City of Athens,
member of the European
Network Cities for Children



Today's children are not only tomorrow's citizens but also tomorrow's leaders. They need an inspiring paradigm from today. The first "City for Children" Award is such a paradigm.

Yavuz Mildon
President,
Congress of Local and Regional
Authorities of the Council of
Europe



Cities need to be places where children can flourish and become fully-fledged citizens. Local authorities should foster a child-friendly, family-oriented urban environment

Jeremy Smith
Secretary General, Council of
European Municipalities and
Regions



If our cities are to be fit for the future, they must first be fit for our children – healthy, safe, inclusive...and fun. Let us celebrate and learn from Europe's best!

Dr. Ingrid Hamm
Executive Director,
Robert Bosch Stiftung



Local authorities hold the key to demographic development: A child-friendly approach is reflected in everyday life. Local authorities come closest to touching the real lives of families, and can exert a strong impact on the immediate family environment.

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Our cities need to become more child-friendly! In view of the demographic changes taking place, policies designed to create a more conducive environment for children, young people and families should form the focus of municipal action if our cities are to be competitive and maintain their vitality in the future.

The 1st European Award of Excellence “City for Children” will honour European cities for outstanding child-friendly projects.

Your city is invited to join: enter the competition with your best projects and seize the chance to make your innovative ideas for children and families known across Europe!

Objectives

- To illustrate successful, innovative and cost-efficient projects and encourage their adoption in other locations
- To engender a change of awareness and encourage greater family-friendliness
- To support cities in their activities at the local level

Categories 2009

- 1.** Outdoor activities for children and young people
- 2.** Mobility and traffic safety for children and young people

The invitation is open to European cities with at least 100,000 inhabitants

Selection criteria: Winning projects are...

- Innovative - Sustainable - Realizable - Participative - Transferable

Prize

The prize is a sculpture and a certificate by the initiators for outstanding child-friendly projects.

Award Ceremony

On the occasion of the 3rd Cities for Children Annual Conference on 28 – 30 June 2009 in Stuttgart, the European Award of Excellence will be awarded for the first time at an evening event to be held on 29 June 2009.

Practical Information

The application package is available from 15 September 2008 at the Cities for Children Coordination Office or can be downloaded on www.citiesforchildren.eu.

The deadline for submission is 15 December 2008.

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Application period: 15 September – 15 December 2008

Forms for download: www.citiesforchildren.eu

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