Dear participants of the International Transport Forum,

Welcome to our active transportation tour 2012!

After the overwhelming start of the first cycling tour in 2011 I would like to invite you this year to a ride with the focus on seamless urban mobility and urban regeneration.

As Seamless transportation will be the key theme of discussions within the Forum, the route will give you an impression on Leipzig’s good projects in seamless mobility and simultaneously of fascinating urban life in one of the hotspots of Leipzig’s former industrial quarters with its charming, young and creative atmosphere.

I wish you all an enjoyable ride!

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**Sights on tour**

**The Leipzig Gewandhaus:**
concert hall and home of the Leipzig world-famous Gewandhaus Orchestra. It is noted for its fine acoustics.

**The Mobility Service Center:**
offers the LVB’s complete range of products, as well as customer services of “nextbike” and “Teil-Auto carsharing” companies, where one can rent a car or a bicycle.

**St Thomas’ Church:**
Lutheran church, where Johann Sebastian Bach worked as a choirmaster and now lies buried. Home of the St. Thomas Boys Choir and a place of musical creativity.

**Stadthafen:**
this watersurface, called the city harbor, lets one travel by boat directly from the city center to the south part of Leipzig with its “New lakes district”, Neuseenland, along many lovely waterways.

**The St. Thomas School/Alumnat:**
classical and musical embossed school in the Musical quarter of Leipzig. Home of The St. Thomas Boys Choir of Leipzig, which celebrates its 800-year anniversary this year.

**Buntgarnwerke:**
Europa’s largest industrial monument from the period of the “Gründerzeit” and former industrial area. Now there are marvellous appartments in it, and thanks to its glamorous flair it is one of the desirable residential areas of the city.

**Karl Heine Canal:**
On this Canal you can take a fascinating boat trip through the brick architecture of the former industrial centre Plagwitz. Planned extension to be connected with other rivers.

**The Leipziger Baumwollspinner:**
a former Cotton Mill, which once was the largest spinning mill on the continent and employed some thousands of people. Used today by art galleries, studios and restaurants. Many artists, setting there, belong to the so-called “New Leipzig School”.

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