



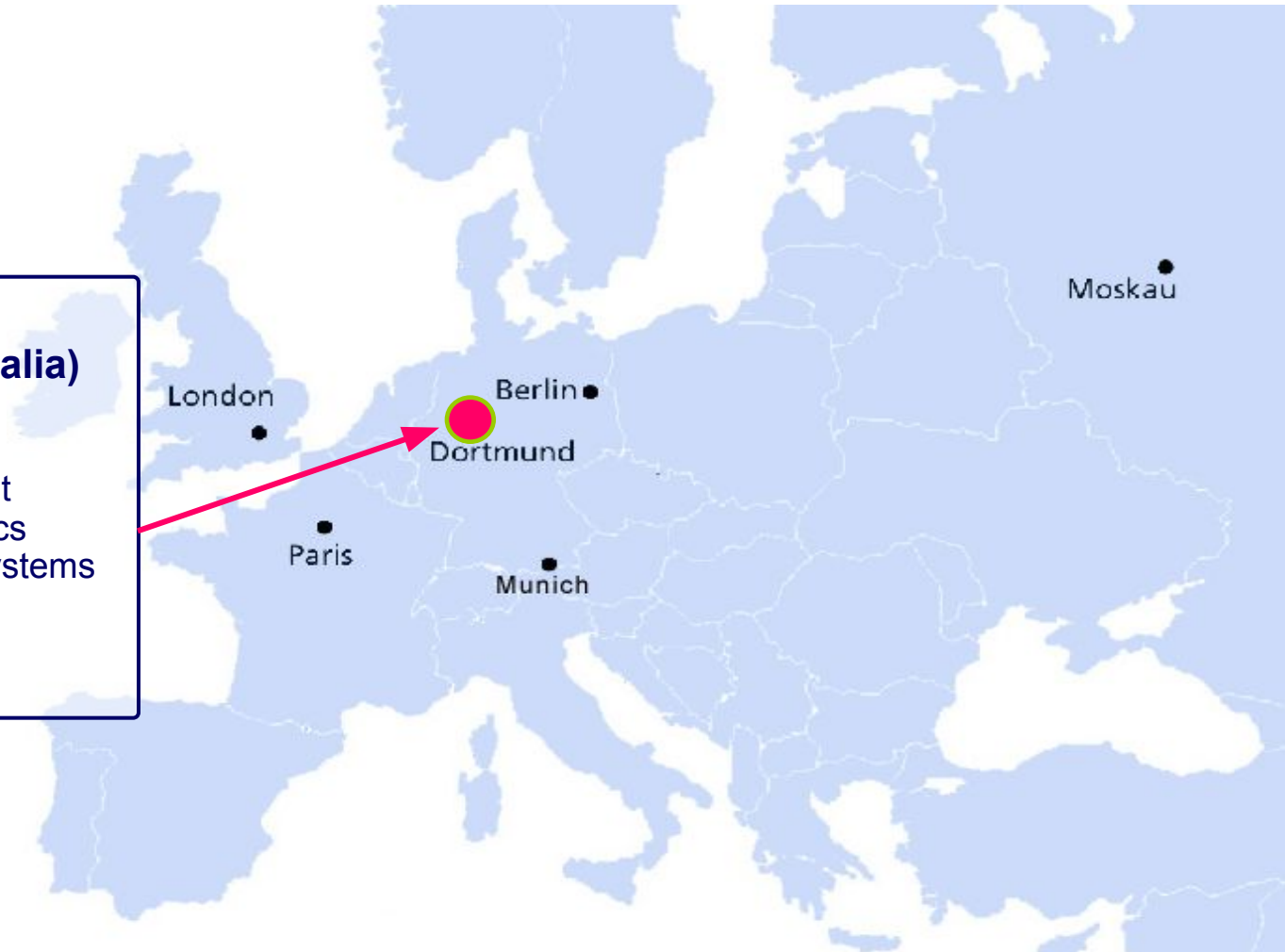
**Sozialforschungsstelle Dortmund (sfs)
Social Research Centre**

**Central Scientific Unit of
Technische Universität Dortmund / TU Dortmund**

Dortmund

Dortmund (North-Rhine Westphalia)

- 590.000 inhabitants
- High-tech area with great performance in IT, Logistics and Micro and Nano Systems
- 40% of EU citizens live within 300 miles range



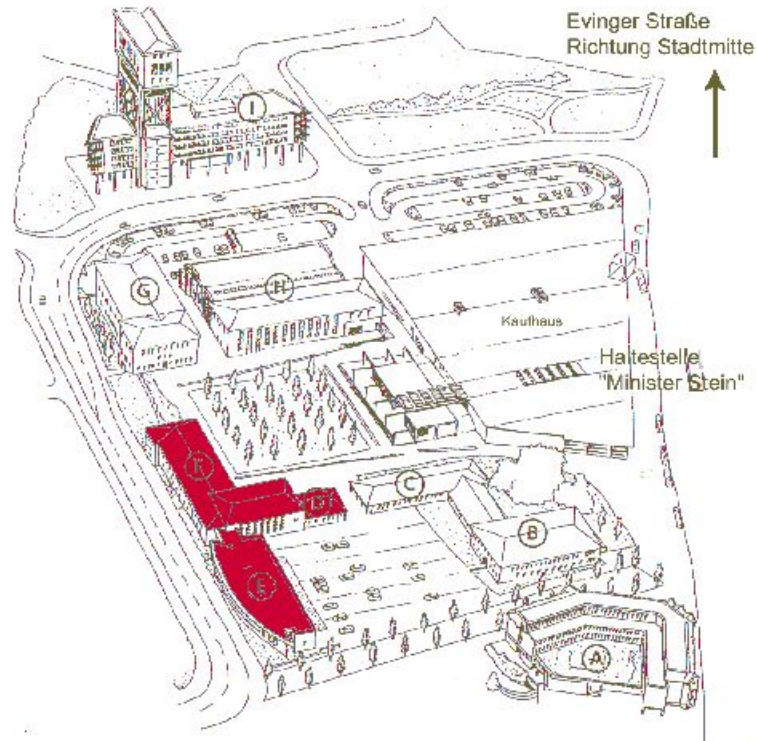
Dortmund – Yesterday Coal – Steel - Beer



Dortmund – Today Micro-Electronics – Logistics



The location of sfs in Dortmund-Eving



The institute: sfs at a glance

- Sozialforschungsstelle is one of the largest and most traditional institutes of social sciences in the field of labour in Germany
- 30 scientists are involved in research, consultation, and evaluation, focusing current topics regarding the world of labour
- 20 students and administrators support their scientific work
- The modern research profile aims at actively connecting science and practice
- sfs is consulting companies, politics, and associations in regional and transnational networks
- About 20 research projects per year at sfs

RESEARCH - CONSULTATION – TRANSFER

- (Social) Innovation
- New organisational concepts in production, administration, and services
- Implementing new quality and knowledge management systems
- Vocational training, further education, advancement of employees
- New models for safety at work and wage compensation
- Regional cooperation and network management



Research areas

- Organisational Development and Consulting in the Network Economy
- Services and Societal Change
- Labour and Education in Europe
- Primary Labour Policy and Health
- Sustainable Shaping of Technology and Organisation
- Agency for the Co-operation Between Science and Labour (“KoWA”)

Research Profile

Our research profile aims at actively connecting scientific excellence with application-oriented impact

- In-time involvement of our project partners in the definition and generation of projects
- Knowledge production in interdisciplinary networks of science and practice
- Dynamic models of project organisation
- Continuous development of new ways of working and new methods
- Multi-dimensional performance criteria

European Projects

- since 1995 more than 50 European projects
- funded mostly by the European Commission
- with partners from almost all European member states
- broad range of economic sectors from industry and services, public and private
- in close networking and co-operational structures with a great variety of partners on the European level:
 - scientific institutions,
 - sectoral and social partners,
 - companies, large, medium-sized and small, and consultancies,
 - education and training institutions
 - non-governmental and governmental institutions
 - expert practitioners and other stakeholders.

Recent EU Funded Projects on Social Innovation

(7th Framework Programme / HORIZON 2020 / RFCS)

- SISCODE - Society in Innovation and Science through CODEsign, 2018-2021 
- COCOP – Coordinating Optimisation of Complex Industrial Processes, 2016-2020 
- MAKE-IT – Understanding Collective Awareness Platforms with the Maker Movement, 2016-2017 
- SIC – Social Innovation Community, 2016-2018 
- SI-DRIVE - Social Innovation: Driving Force of Social Change 2014-2017 
- SIMPACT – Boosting the Impact of Social Innovation in Europe through Economic Underpinnings 2014-2016 
- CASI – Public Participation in Developing a Common Framework for Assessment and Management of Sustainable Innovation 2014-2017 
- I-LINC: Platform for ICT Learning and Inclusion for Youth Employability and Entrepreneurship 2015-2017
- ROBOHARSH - Robotic workstation in harsh environmental conditions to improve safety in the steel industry (2016-2019)
- euwin – European Workplace Innovation Network 2013-2015 

□ **Complemented by several regional / local projects on concrete social innovations in Germany**

European Lifelong Learning / ERASMUS+ Projects

- **SIKE** – Social Innovation through Knowledge Exchange (2018-2020)
- **JobActEurope**: Social inclusion through social arts (2017-2019)
- **GREEN STAR**: Green skills for Enterprises: Sustainable Training for Automotive suppliers clusterR (2013-2015)
- **EdilMap**: Valorise learning experiences and promote the recognition of qualifications and skills in the construction industry (2011-2013)
- **ACES** - Self Assessment as a Basis for Certification & Accreditation in the Educational Sector (2011-2013)
- **Trans-eFacilitator**: Transfer and Recognition of an eFacilitator Curriculum and Qualification (2012-2014)
- **LOPEC**: Logistics personal excellence by continuous self-assessment (2012-2014)
- **L2T**: Learn to teach by social web (2012-2014)
- **SIMTEB**: Simulator-based training for European bus drivers – Current developments in Europe (2011-2013)
- **eScouts**: Elderly-to-youth blended mentoring for their better labour and social insertion (2011-2012)
- **GT VET**: Greening Technical VET - Sustainable Training Module for the European Steel Industry (2011-2012)
- **GeCo**: Improving Gender Equality Competence of Persons Responsible for Personnel Development in Private Enterprises and Higher Education (2010-2012)
- **EU Observer**: European Observatory of validation of non formal and informal Skills in the sector of landscape and urban planning and risk prevention (2010-2012)
- **GedPlan**: Gender Equality and Diversity Planning at Workplaces (2010 – 2012)
- **FAMILY**: Facilitating Family Learning on Work and Life Balance (2010-2011)
- **KC4all**: Improving Key Competences of Citizens at Risk of E-Inclusion from the Labour Market (2009 – 2011)
- **VET4e-I**: European VET Solution for e-Inclusion Facilitators (2009 – 2011)

Thank you for your attention !!

