



# Cordially Welcome at the ökoEnergieworld



## *The* ökoEnergieworld

is a symbiosis of a gorgeous untouched nature, idyll of vine ("Weinidylle") and cultural highlights like the castle of Güssing or the world famous "Kellerviertel" at Heiligenbrunn. Attractive cultural events attract as well as pleasant, price-winning wood architecture. Above all this stands the huge application area RENEWABLE ENERGY.

### **Main focus renewable energy**

In the region of Güssing numerous plants were built in cooperation with the European Centre of Renewable Energy (EEE) – from the district heating plant, over the biogas plant to the worldwide unique biomass plant in Güssing. Hence, all aspects of renewable energies are covered. In Güssing we go one step forward; in our plants we also have research – synthetic natural gas out of wood, fuel and diesel out of wood. Sounds utopian? We already have it in Güssing!

### **„Model of Güssing“ – Strategy for the future**

The strategy of Güssing is the decentral, local production of energy with the available resources of the region, without competing with the food production. Güssing made it with this model to cover its energy demand by renewable energies within a few years. A lot of people are very interested in this topic, particularly of the undeniable climate change which adds to a general sensibility. Therefore the project ecoEnergy tourism was started a few years ago.

### **ökoEnergieworld**

The EEE and its 10 municipalities in the surrounding of Güssing form together the ökoEnergieworld. The common symbol of the municipalities of the ökoEnergieworld is the green drop. Individual created objects out of wood at central points of the municipalities represent the different forms of energy and go through the ökoEnergieworld like a green central theme. Every week visitors come from all over Europe to get to know the "Model of Güssing" and the demonstration plants in context of guided tours, completed by a diversified social program. The numerous museums and sights (*Castle of Güssing, museum of vine Moschendorf, "Kellerviertel" of Heiligenbrunn, "Geschichtenhaus" Bildein, museum of agricultural technology St. Michael, Franciscan convent of Güssing and museum of emigrants Güssing*) refer to a long time history of the region. You will recognize at the latest that „eco“ (öko) is not only a word for energy, but also for untouched, intact nature when you explore the ökoEnergieworld on the numerous marked cycle ways on your bicycle or when you enjoy an excellent glass of red wine of the "Weinidylle". Discover the ökoEnergieworld! ...stock up some energy!

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