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4 great reforms in 500 years



Luther and the Reformation



Garden Realm

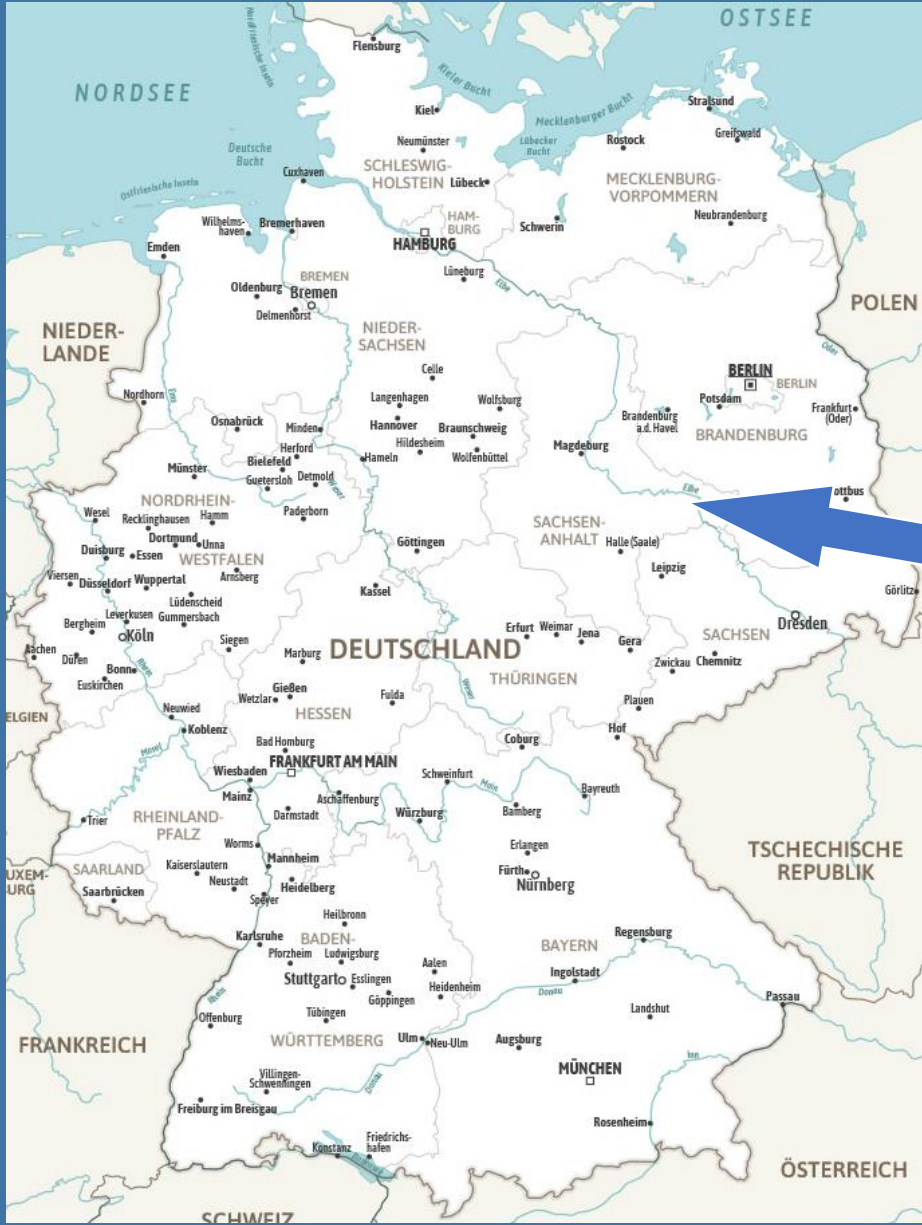


Bauhaus

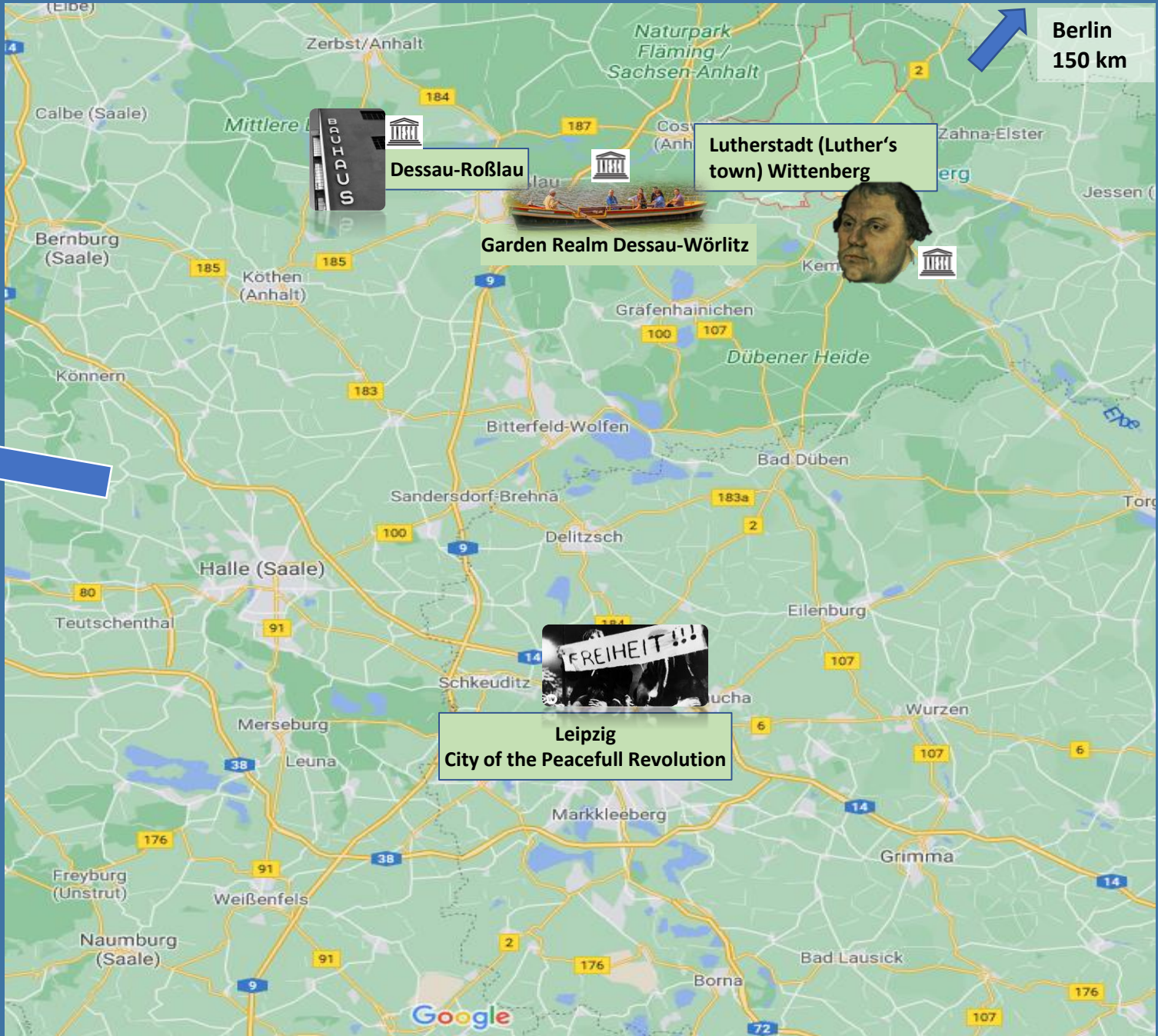


Peaceful Revolution

Germany



Region between Lutherstadt Wittenberg and Leipzig (WCC 2022)





Martin Luther and the Reformation

500 years ago



Luther nailed his ninety-five theses to the door of All Saints' Church in Wittenberg on 31 October 1517 which marks the beginning of the Reformation.

- Luther wanted to use the theses to change the long-standing grievances in the Roman Catholic Church. The focus of the theses was on the selling of indulgences - as an abuse of the gospel.
- Theses met the zeitgeist, Luther's Reformation work soon reached the whole of Europe.
- Luther's main merit: Reform of the faith – only the grace of God can free a Christian from his guilt, not money or an office. Man is mature, he only has to stand before God.
- This event was followed by further reforms in science / social affairs / music / German language / painting / book printing

In the course of the Reformation, the Protestant church was founded.






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Martin Luther and the Reformation

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4 Luther Memorials in Lutherstadt Wittenberg have been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1996 

Lutherhaus (Luther's house)



Melanchthonhaus



All Saints' Church



Town and Parish Church of St. Mary's



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The Dessau Wörlitz Garden Realm – Age of Enlightenment

300 years ago

The Dessau Wörlitz Garden Realm was founded in 1765 in the German Principality of Anhalt as a synthesis of the arts of the Enlightenment.

- Enlightenment as a time epoch covered Europe and North America from about 1650 -1800. Reason, education and the natural sciences became the focus of society, "Dark" Middle Ages were to be overcome.
- The Dessau Wörlitz Garden Realm was founded by Prince Friedrich Franz of Anhalt-Dessau in the sense of enlightenment and stimulated by educational trips to Italy and England.
- 7 parks designed as landscape gardens, close connection between art and nature.
- In addition to the establishment of the gardens, the prince also implemented reforms in social and educational systems, agriculture and architecture in Anhalt and committed himself to religious freedom.





The Dessau Wörlitz Garden Realm – Age of Enlightenment

The Dessau Wörlitz Garden Realm with its 7 parks has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 2000.

300 years ago



Wörlitz Castle and Landscape Park



Oranienbaum Castle and Park



Mosigkau Castle and Park



Großkühnau Castle and Landscape Park



Luisium Castle and Park



Georgium Castle and Park



Forest Park Sieglitzer Berg





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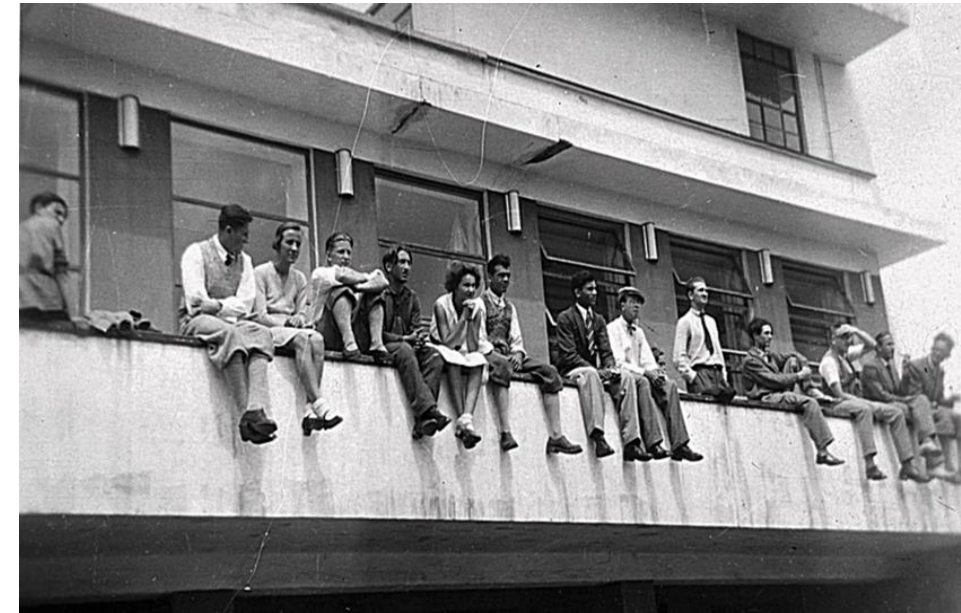
Bauhaus Dessau

Reform in architecture and design in the age of industrialization

100 years ago

The aim of the Bauhaus movement was to help shape modern society in the age of the beginning of industrialization. This could be implemented directly in Dessau.

- The Bauhaus movement resulted from the terrible experiences of the 1st World War and existed only 14 years - from 1919 to 1933.
- Architects, sculptors and painting were returned to craftsmanship. Photography, painting, graphics, stage art, dance were of great importance.
- The designs for buildings and utensils were realized by the developing industry.
- Changed construction and architecture were also be used to solve the social question, i.e. affordable and acceptable living space and interior design for all people.



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Bauhaus Museum Dessau

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Since 2019, the city of Dessau has a own new Bauhaus museum.

The original Bauhaus building and the Masters' Houses have been a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1996, the arcade houses since 2017.



original Bauhaus building Dessau

Masters' Houses Dessau

Arcade houses Dessau





The Peaceful Revolution in the GDR in 1989

now: 32 years ago !!!



The Peaceful Revolution was a peaceful protest movement (with candles!) of large parts of the population of the former GDR against the rule of the Communist Party and thus for freedom and human rights and an end to mismanagement and environmental degradation.

- Opposition movement in the GDR has been strengthening since the 1980s under the roof of the Evangelical Church.
- The largest and most important demonstration was on October 9, 1989 in Leipzig

The protests were against:

- Disregard for human rights - no freedom of travel, freedom of speech, freedom of assembly
- Political reprisals of all kinds
- Economic disaster – mismanagement in companies and ruined state finances, broken cities
- Environmental destruction – by industry and lignite mining
- State security as the political police force of the Communist Party with over 2 million unofficial Employees who spread fear and lies



Leipzig, Oct. 9th 1989





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As a result of the Peaceful Revolution, the Berlin Wall fell on 9.11.1989.



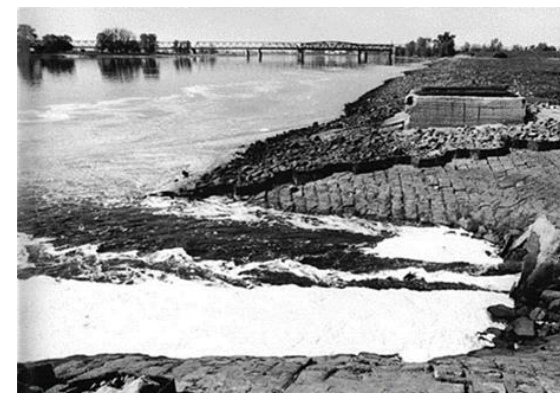
- The Cold War which was a result of the Second World War could be ended.
- There were also reforms for the states of the former Eastern Bloc and an end to communist dictatorships.
- On October 3rd 1990 the reunification of Germany took place. 40 years of division were over.
- In East Germany, the transformation of the entire society into a bourgeois democracy began.

Structural change and the emergence of new lakes as a result of the Peaceful Revolution

- From 1990, an exemplary rehabilitation of the economy, the cities and the environment began.
- This structural change also led to the emergence of the new lakes and canals in and around Leipzig, which have been excellently ecologically renovated to the present day and are embedded in new wonderful recreational landscapes.



Environmental situation in the region between Leipzig and Lutherstadt Wittenberg before 1989





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The new lakes and canals in the region
between Leipzig and Lutherstadt
Wittenberg today.



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