

# Subnational Diplomacy as a Building Bloc of Meaningful Partnerships - NRW and the US

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Monday

17.30h

**Welcome Address****Dr. Maysoun Zein Al Din**, Director, AIA NRW**Consul General Pauline Kao**, U.S. Consulate General in Düsseldorf

17.45h

**Roundtable 1: Practitioners' perspectives****Paul Costello**, German Marshall Fund**Heike Maus**, Mayor's Office, City of Duisburg**Martin van der Pütten**, Head of International Relations; Chief International Diplomacy Officer, City of Dortmund**Theresa Reymann**, Senior Project Manager, City of Düsseldorf**Chair****Michael Krons**

18.40h

**Roundtable 2: Contextualizing city partnerships****Dr. Anna Shpakovskaya**, Research Fellow, Institute of East Asian Studies, University of Duisburg-Essen**Dr. Nicholas Goedeking**, IDOS, Bonn**Yunus Arikani**, Global Advocacy, ICLEI World Secretariat**Chair****Michael Krons****Concluding Remarks****Vivek Anand**, Deputy Director, Govt. of India; Fellow, AIA NRW

19.30h

**Reception with informal exchange**

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