

### **GROWING TOGETHER**

The IGA 2027 is transforming the Ruhr area with five spectacular *Zukunftsgärten* (Future Gardens), reimagining existing parks and green spaces in all their diversity, and inviting everyone to participate. We will celebrate this transformation together with international guests, businesses, initiatives, and, most importantly, the residents of our 53 cities – at the world's largest garden festival.

There will be so much to discover: regional garden treasures, breathtaking floral displays, and pioneering solutions to one of the most pressing urban development questions of our time: How do we want to live tomorrow? And in the Ruhr region, there can only be one answer: Together! We are shaping sustainable solutions for climate protection, circular economies, eco-friendly mobility, and greener cities. IGA 2027 marks a major milestone on the Ruhr area's path to becoming the greenest industrial region in the world!

With extraordinary events, top-class cultural performances, and interactive experiences, IGA 2027 will create unforgettable moments and a lasting network of green spaces that will redefine the Ruhr region for generations to come. We look forward to an exhibition like no other!









## A GARDEN SHOW ACROSS THE ENTIRE RUHR AREA

### MY GARDEN

Whether in home gardens, allotments, community projects, schools, or even on rooftops and balconies – the Ruhr region has always been green. Green is tradition here. It tells the stories of people, provides fresh produce, and creates spaces for creativity. Through their projects and collaborations, the people of the Ruhr area will transform their cities into a one-of-a-kind garden festival for IGA 2027.

### **OUR GARDENS**

From historic garden landscapes to modern urban green spaces, the region's parks and public gardens offer diverse qualities. These green areas provide places to relax, bring people together, and host cultural events. They give the Ruhr area its unique character and identity. For IGA 2027, municipalities are upgrading these spaces, creating new ones, and strengthening the region's green infrastructure – contributing to a more sustainable and climate-resilient urban future.

#### **FUTURE GARDENS**

The five *Zukunftsgärten* (Future Gardens) are the highlights of the garden festival. More than just exhibitions, they serve as innovation hubs showcasing sustainable solutions for the challenges of urban living. These *living laboratories* explore climate-neutral mobility, regional food production, and new models of housing. Here, horticulture and environmental industries come together to bring ideas to life and engage in dialogue with millions of visitors.



# THE RUHR REGION IN FULL BLOOM – AND EVERYONE'S INVITED!

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URBAN, BLOOM,

# THE FUTURE GARDENS OF IGA 2027

### **FUTURE GARDEN DUISBURG**

After 150 years of industrial use, Duisburg is reconnecting with the Rhine through the development of the Future Garden RhinePark. New green and open spaces are being created along the riverbank and seamlessly integrated with a multifunctional neighborhood park in Hochfeld. During the exhibition year 2027, the Future Garden will be a focal point for horticultural showcases and a diverse range of events. Architectural highlights such as the Kultushafen, the walkable bunker gallery, and the IGA Pavilion will redefine the cityscape – ushering in a new era for Duisburg's waterfront.





### **FUTURE GARDEN GELSENKIRCHEN**

Sustainable energy, innovative mobility, and circular economy solutions – from recycling to repurposing materials – are at the heart of the Gelsenkirchen Future Island at the IGA 2027. This visionary project will showcase groundbreaking ideas for the urban landscapes of tomorrow. The historic turning basin will be transformed into an interactive recreation space. The Green Tower on the Emscher Island will pioneer a climate-resilient facade design. Nordsternpark 2027 will span 28 hectares, featuring vibrant flower exhibitions, outdoor showcases, and a packed calendar of events. A true hub of innovation and sustainability, shaping the green city of the future!

#### **FUTURE GARDEN DORTMUND**

Dortmund's transformation to a modern hub for innovation and sustainability is nowhere more visible than around the historic Hansa Coking Plant. The IGA 2027 presents a unique opportunity to reshape this area into a vibrant green corridor, seamlessly connecting industrial heritage with future-oriented landscapes. The iconic "Haldensprung" bridge will provide a striking link to the Deusenberg, a former landfill site turned green landmark, the stunning "Wolkenskulptur" reminds on the industrial history of this site. A once-industrial site reimagined as a living lab for urban greening and community engagement.

### FUTURE GARDEN LÜNEN

Lünen's Victoria I/II colliery site was once a contaminated industrial area, now it is being revitalized into a free-access post-industrial landscape park. A new cultural landscape will seamlessly connect the Datteln-Hamm Canal with the Lippe River, creating a scenic route for cycling and leisure activities. A space for nature and recreation, where visitors can experience the Ruhr region's shift towards sustainability. The ideal starting point for the IGA Cycle Route (IGA-Radweg), which will stretch from east to west, linking the major highlights of the IGA 2027 exhibition.





### **FUTURE GARDEN EMSCHERLAND**

Welcome to Emscherland, a unique crossing where the underground wastewater canal, the renatured Emscher River, and the Rhine-Herne Canal intersect. At this point, water flows in layers, creating a one-of-a-kind Nature and Water Experience Park – open and free for everyone! The spectacular "Emschersprung" bridge transforms the skyline and reconnects communities. From orchards and vineyards to beekeeping and gardens of ancient cultivated plants, this green space invites to explore and engage. Whether through hands-on activities, interactive exhibits, or outdoor education, the Future Garden Emscherland welcomes people of all ages and backgrounds to participate.