

Ideas from the YCCB Conference on

Energy

Solarcity Berlin

Make solar panels attractive for owners and tenants

Support more decentralised solutions

Combine solar energy with heatpumps (establish a system)

Simplify the legal framework for implementing solar panels

Solar panels on private as well as Berlin-owned houses

Sources and demand

Affordable and clean energy

Free energy consulting for private households

No more fossil fuels for electricity and heating in Berlin

Reducing the energy demand in favor of supporting energy efficiency

Heating

Using geothermal energy for heating

Find clever ways to use and transport energy for heating and cooling

Heating insulation on newly-built and old houses in Berlin

Using less energy on heating

Tendencies: Solar and other renewable energy, less consumption, include tenants/private households

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Economy

Economic models

Try to focus on the four types of Circular Economy (Waste is food, Resilience through diversity, renewable energy, systemic thinking)

Stop the focus on the GDP but rather focus on donut economy

Technology

Use digital technology to reduce unnecessary paperwork when writing contracts & business documents

PR

Use the media to propagate the image of a green economy

Tendencies: Circular economy, digital technology, media attention

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Buildings and urban development / Adaptation to climate change

Climate justice and participation

Vision: Climate justice and well-being are the goal instead of economic growth

Vision: Berlin should give young people space to come up with solutions on the climate crisis and community development

Claim: Annual festivals on climate justice in the kiez (with workshops) to create communities and spaces for learning on the climate crisis and urban development

Claim: Policies need to use inclusive and participatory processes in urban development (like citizen assemblies for districts and the city, with translations available)

Claim: Create policies that make private-property owners responsible for stormwater management

Claim: Change the taxing and credit scheme so that it supports community/social and sustainable building projects

Claim: Support recomunalisation/pre-emptive right for the city to buy properties

Access to and distribution of space

Vision: Adaptation is only possible if there is space for communities to thrive and if communities have access to public and private spaces

Vision: The city should make use of existing and empty buildings in a multi-use way that creates vibrant communities

Vision: The city should distribute spaces to already-existing community initiatives

Vision: Make existing green spaces more biodiverse (such as the Tempelhofer Feld) by also looking for synergies (allotments)

Claim: The city should protect community spaces that are endangered (like community gardens)

Claim: Turn public spaces into green, climate-proof and educational spaces (such as roof gardens/school gardens, solar projects, ...)

Claim: The city should unseal most of the parking lots and turn these into green, multifunctional community spaces

Tendencies: (New) green spaces for the public, participatory processes

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Private households and consumption

No more food waste

More unpackaged supplies

Make dumpster-diving legal

Make foodsaving a duty of grocery shops

Ban products that are only used once and then thrown away

Use what people have access to already without having to import many things

Raising awareness

Provide free education on how to consume less at home (ventilation, recycling, etc.), especially in schools and youth spaces, incl. workshops for parents

Raising awareness on little consumption issues that can easily be avoided

Make green consumption a goal that people want to reach in order to be more sustainable

Provide spaces/infrastructure

Provide an area in each neighbourhood for collective ideas (gardening, ...)

Provide ecological and regional (vegetarian) food in city-owned canteens

Tendencies: Reducing food waste, education on sustainable consumption

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Transport

Participation

Younger generations should be involved in decisions concerning transportation in Berlin

Establish a council of young people (aged at least 14-28) who have a veto right on decisions

Bicycle mobility / car-free city

Berlin should put a priority on protected bike lanes on every street with 2 car lanes throughout the whole city until 2030

Berlin streets will be either bicycle-only or with a protected bicycle lane

Make Berlin car-free as the norm and have cars as an exception by 2030

Stop the further construction of highways e.g. A100

Car subsidies from firms should not be allowed anymore

Parking should be made expensive >> triple the amount of residence parking fees. Free parking to be forbidden in Berlin. [Note: exception for disabled people who need support in moving]

Public transport

Public transports should be made more appealing by being punctual and even more clean and comfortable

Increase the frequency of public transport: at least every 5 min

Free public transport for all in Berlin

Expand and build cross-connections

Make public transport more accessible in the outskirts of Berlin

Decentralised and democratic solutions for the districts (social justice)

Barrier-free transport

Tendencies: Bike city/car-free city, massive expansion of public transport