



Take your future into your hands: The planet is the centre of attention in the „World Future Lab“

In the one of a kind exhibition the “Klimahaus Bremerhaven 8° Ost” shows, in a playful way, what affects your own actions can have on the climate and environment. The „World Future Lab“ incorporates an interactive game where the players can take the future of the planet into their own hands.

Bremerhaven, August 2021. Bremerhavens landmark, the Klimahaus Bremerhaven 8° Ost, is possibly the worlds most detailed interactive simulation concerning climate-relevant behavior. The „World Future Lab“ is an exhibition in which the populations competence for future challenges in the aspects environment, economy and society is evaluated. Visitors experience, in an impressive manner, how their own decisions have a global-wide effect. Their decisions are simulated through a real-time projection on a 3.20 m high globe.

Its playful character adds to the concept of the Klimahaus as a numerously honoured extracurricular learning centre. The „World Future Lab“ was designed in cooperation with the Gruppe für Gestaltung (GfG, group for construction).

„Every person influences the environment in a large way, even on their own doorstep or across the whole world. Draughts, floods and fires are natural catastrophes that are partially being caused by the climate change and therefore by people and their way of handling the climate. Many people already understand this, but feel that they do not have the power to change something through their own active actions. Since the countries that are affected by the climate change are often far away from their own home, the connections are not being seen or are underestimated. Yet every person is capable of making a change through changes of their behavior“, explains Arne Dunker, the managing director of the Klimahaus.



The mission: Make the planet better!

The „World Future Lab“ requires creativity, strategy and teamwork. At eight different game stations the individual players or groups can change the world while learning about their own personal strengths at the same time. Inspire others, take actions, skillfully combine, incorporate oneself, show responsibility, discover, connect and respect nature as well fellow people. This is how, for example, daily objects are combined to create clever and sustainable products or, thanks to choosing the right decision, an island in the south sea can be saved from rising ocean levels. Added to each persons personal assignment are occurring group tasks that motivate all players to search for solutions together. The end of the game shows the learning aspect: The personal certificate does not only show how well the player did, but also with which of their abilities they can change the planet.

With its wide expanse of educational programmes for all ages the Klimahaus Bremerhaven 8° Ost was honoured in 2016 by the UNESCO - national action plan Education for Sustainable Development as an educational institution of the highest category. In 2012 and 2018 the climate science centre was also honoured as an official measure for the UN decade Education for Sustainable Development The aim behind the educational programmes is to encourage sustainable thoughts and actions in the adults of tomorrow. Apart from the topic of climate and weather, other topics, such as wildlife along the eighth degree of longitude are included.

More information to the Klimahaus under

www.klimahaus-bremerhaven.de

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The Klimahaus Bremerhaven 8° Ost is recommended by almost 100 percent of its visitors and ranks among the most visited climate science centers in Germany. The journey around the world – always along the eighth degree of longitude – spans across five continents and nine different locations. In this way, the Klimahaus is one of a kind and a global forerunner as a world of knowledge and experience. In November 2018 the Klimahaus received the 5 millionth visitor.

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Visitors do not only feel the temperatures and climate conditions of deserts, tropical rain forests and the Antarctic, but also come upon large aquariums with fresh and salt water fish or reptiles like snakes and rare lizards.

With its curved glass facade the building is seen as a new landmark of Bremerhaven and is also one of the most interesting constructions in Europe.

Honoured by the UNESCO – national action plan Education for Sustainable Development as a learning facility of the highest category the Klimahaus makes the topics climate and climate change understandable for every age group. Bob Geldof describes the Klimahaus Bremerhaven as „a love letter addressed to the planet“.

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