

## PROJECT INFORMATION

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### Sustainable Recycling of Industrial Fallows in St. Petersburg



The Municipality of St. Petersburg is engaged in regenerating industrial fallows in the Primorski district, among them an old landfill site as well as former metal-processing sites. At this harbour site a recreational area will be created. Picture: WTTC

#### Background

The conurbations of the Russian Federation have been undergoing major economic and social restructuring since the beginning of the 90s. The modernization process and numerous inner-urban industrial fallows present the cities with major challenges. The absence of legal and organizational frameworks prevents a sustainable recycling of derelict industrial sites, many of which are contaminated. The administration of St. Petersburg has established a working group which deals with these problems and, hence, it was selected as an example location for the project.

#### Project

The purpose of the advisory project was to establish guidelines for a sustainable recycling of local industrial fallow land sites for the town of St. Petersburg. The project was connected

to current research concerning recycling of industrial fallows in the European Union: In the EU's RESCUE project scientists from four European countries worked together to identify and remove obstacles to the regeneration of so called "brownfields" in European cities. In the advisory project, these results were adapted to the conditions in the Russian Federation.

Regular workshops and meetings of German and Russian experts provided an intensive exchange of experience. A report dealing with problems with the rededication of old industrial sites in St. Petersburg including the current legal framework was completed.

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- Project Management: International Centre for Soil and Contaminated Sites (ICSS) at the German Federal Environmental Agency
- Project Partner Germany: WTTC Berlin
- Local Project Partner: Regional Geo-Ecological Centre in St. Petersburg, Administration of St. Petersburg
- ICSS at the German Federal Environmental Agency: [www.icss-uba.de](http://www.icss-uba.de)
- For RESCUE see: [www.rescue-europe.com/html/project.html](http://www.rescue-europe.com/html/project.html)