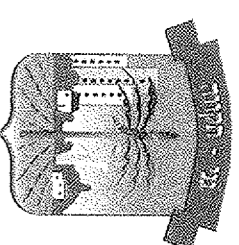


Stadt Bergisch Gladbach



המועצה המקומית גני-תקווה

## Declaration of Intent

to establish a SISTER CITIES RELATIONSHIP  
*between the Cities of Bergisch Gladbach, Germany and Ganey Tikva, Israel*

With the wish to broaden their personal understanding of one another and each other's culture, the **Mayor of Bergisch Gladbach**, Germany, and the **Mayor of Ganey Tikva**, Israel, signed the following Declaration of intent to establish a sister city relationship between their two cities.

Both cities are united in their aim to develop ties and to build bridges between the people of **Bergisch Gladbach** and **Ganey Tikva** in the interest of peace and in the spirit of cooperation, tolerance and mutual understanding.

The cities of **Bergisch Gladbach** and **Ganey Tikva** are planning to intensively develop their friendly relations and widely promote contacts between citizens. Both sides are planning to carry on active cultural and information exchanges on all levels and to pursue local cooperation, especially in the following areas:

- municipal policy and management
- economics
- science and high-tech industries
- culture and arts
- education and sports
- trade and technology
- tourism

The cities will inform each other about the work of their political and administrative bodies and the social and cultural life of their citizens. In doing this, both sides will closely coordinate with the friendship societies in their countries.

Within the framework of their possibilities, the cities will support and coordinate the exchange of official delegations, representatives of political and administrative bodies, members of social organizations, unions, societies, schools and universities.

Both cities understand the importance of broad and intensive contacts in order to build friendly ties.

Both cities will put special emphasis on youth exchanges.

**Ganey Tikva, Israel 22. May 2012**

Lutz Urbach

Mayor of Bergisch Gladbach, Germany

Avishay Levin

Mayor of Ganey Tikva, Israel