

Press information

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Fact sheet and information on the European Roadmap show-truck

The show-truck will start its tour on 3 November 2016 in Geneva, Switzerland, and end it on 20 May 2017 in Wittenberg. It will visit 67 cities in 19 European countries.

Technical data:

Dimensions when closed (with driver's cabin/traction engine)

- Length: 16.5m
- Width: 2.54m
- Height: 4.02m

- **Set-up state (with driver's cabin)**
 - Length: 16.5m
 - Width: 9.2m
 - Height: 4.82m

- **Weight**
 - Trailer approx. 28t
 - Combination trailer and driver's cabin ca. 33t

The **interior** of the show-truck contains several screens and multimedia offerings. Views can look at the stories about the Reformation collected by the storymobile at other stopovers. They can also tell their own Reformation stories using various media formats. The show-truck will then take these new stories with it on the road.

Details about the tour:

The exact dates of the way-stations are online at:
r2017.org/europaeischer-stationenweg.

The show-truck used by the r2017 registered association is being



European Roadmap "Stories on the Road"

3 November 2016 to 20 May 2017

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operated by the Evangelical Church in Germany, the Federation of Swiss Protestant Churches (SEK) and the Community of Protestant Churches in Europe (CPCE).

It will tour through 19 European countries, visit 68 way-stations in 67 towns. The most northern stopover is Turku in Finland (15 March 2017), the most southern one is Rome in Italy (18 January 2017), the furthest to the west is Dublin in Ireland (18 February 2017) and the furthest to the east is Sibiu in Romania (28 January 2017).

The storymobile is visiting the three venues of the European ecumenical assemblies that took up the conciliar process for justice, peace and the integrity of creation launched in the 1980s: Basel in Switzerland (12 November 2016), Graz in Austria (17 November 2016) and Sibiu (28 January 2017). It will visit many European capitals, along with Strasbourg in France (8 April 2017) as the seat of the European Parliament.

The tour will cover a total of 25,000 kilometres through Europe, according to present estimates.

A **team** with tour manager, Johannes Göring, and 15 volunteers will accompany the show-truck and collect Reformation stories from five centuries to be taken along to Wittenberg by the storymobile. There the European Roadmap will end on 20 May 2017 when it joins the World Reformation Exhibition.

The blog “Stories on the Road”

The stories collected by the team in the show-truck can also be followed online: r2017.org/veranstaltungen/europaeischer-stationenweg/blog/

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About us

The association Reformationsjubiläum 2017 (r2017) was founded by the *Evangelical Church in Germany* (EKD) and the *German Protestant Kirchentag* (DEKT) in order to plan and implement the big events for the Reformation anniversary. That starts with the *European Roadmap “Stories on the Road”* on 3 November 2016 in Geneva. The tour will end up at the *World Reformation Exhibition “Gates of Freedom”* in Lutherstadt Wittenberg. From 20 May to 10 September 2017 seven thematic areas and 16 theme weeks will provide a framework for discussing current issues, also taken up in many cultural forms and artistic performances. On 25 May 2017 six *Kirchentag on the Way* programmes will start in eight Central German cities. Like the 36th German Protestant Kirchentag in Berlin, they will lead into the *Festive Weekend*. On 28 May hundreds of thousands of worshippers will celebrate the Reformation at a festive service on the Elbe meadows to the south of Wittenberg. After that, Lutherstadt Wittenberg will host the *Confirmand and Youth Camps* with about 25,000 young people from 31 May to 10 September.