

EXCURSIONS - 22 May 2013

Excursion 1: Castles and Wine

A bus and an English speaking tour guide will pick you up at the university and will take you along the **German Wine Route** southwards to the French border, passing by vineyards and nice villages, with a view of the nature park Palatinate Forest and the Upper Rhine Valley. You will stop at the **Historic Tower Gate** and you will be introduced into the history of the winegrowing in this region. With a short detour through Alsace (France) you will enter the Palatinate Forest that forms the UNESCO-designated **Palatinate Forest – North Vosges Biosphere Reserve**, which is one of the biggest forests in Europe. There you visit the medieval **Castle Berwartstein** which is still inhabited. There a guide will lead you through the halls and into the dungeon. You will be rewarded with an incredible view on the densely wooded low-mountain region.

Driving through the green valleys of **Trifelsland**, which is famous for its many castles, you will enter the Rhine Valley again with its vineyards.

As final highlight you will enjoy a **wine tasting** and some food (tasty non-alcoholic beverages available).



Duration approx. 7-8 hours, starting 2 p.m. (14⁰⁰) - € 40

Number of participants: 45 **booked out**

To bring: Sturdy shoes (short walk uphill on paved road and in vineyard), (rain)coat, and passport



Excursion 2: History of Landau

The town of Landau tells a turbulent history which involves changing nationality several times, being fortified by the famous French military engineer Seigneur de Vauban and flourishing as major wine town. An English speaking guide will take you for a tour to and through the past.

Duration approx. 3 hours - € 5

Number of participants: no restriction

To bring: Sturdy shoes, and (rain)coat



Booking:

Please book with your conference registration, or contact organizers by e-mail.

Booking on-site depends on availability and cannot be guaranteed. Please ask at the conference desk.

We reserve the right to change the program, due to weather conditions and unpredictable incidents.