

THE MINISTER

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Dear Transport and Building Committee

The Jutland Corridor is one of the most vital transport corridors in Europe from a German and Scandinavian perspective. Thousands of tonnes of goods are transported between our nations and further on to Europe and worldwide.

The transport infrastructure in the Corridor creates a high level of cross-border mobility for citizens and businesses. Infrastructure is thus central for economic growth and prosperity in Scandinavia and Germany. It is therefore important that we continue to develop and modernise the transport infrastructure in the Corridor in order to create the best possible conditions for accessibility, connectivity and to attract investments.

We believe that the planning of the development must be carried out in cooperation with representatives from the business sector. There is strong demand from the business sector to strengthen the cross-border mobility in the Corridor as well as overcoming current bottlenecks.

In cooperation with the Confederation of Danish Industry and IHK Flensburg we would therefore like to invite you to participate in a summit focusing on the enhancement of the Jutland Corridor in Sønderborg, Denmark on Monday 23rd May 2016 from 13.00-16.00. The summit will be held at Hotel Comwell, Strandvej 1, 6400 Sønderborg.

In the autumn of 2015 the Danish-German Transport Commission published a report on the transport infrastructure in the Jutland Corridor. At the summit we will elaborate on the report as well as engage in a discussion about the challenges and future needs for development of the Corridor.

If you are able to participate, we would kindly ask you to respond to this email no later than Monday 11^{th} April.

Yours sincerely,

Hans Chr. Schmidt and Reinhard Meyer