



The world's largest miniature demonstration – the whole of Hamburg is sending a clear message for a better world

In a few days the G20 summit will start in Hamburg, with the most powerful leaders debating the future of the world. On the other side, there will be thousands of demonstrators all with different motives. But most likely there will be no direct contact between the people and their representatives. Therefore, 10 days ago, the Miniatur Wunderland decided to change this and started an initiative, gathering all of the “small men and women’s” wishes and demands for a better world.

“We decided to declare our Hamburg section into a ‘demonstration friendly zone’. Anybody can place their wish for a better world. Acting on behalf of every great man, there is a “small man” spreading the word on a banner. The response to this initiative has been amazing”, Frederick Braun explains.

In a very short space of time thousands of people have been taking part via the website g20.miniatur-wunderland.de/en. The whole of the Hamburg section has transcended into one huge demonstration. The small figures are now holding over 5,000 signs with speech bubbles containing the messages and demands. We are adding more each morning.

“Thousands of delegates from all over the world are expected to hold talks about the future of the planet behind closed doors. Because some of these delegates will be visiting the Wunderland we came up with the idea of confronting them with demands of people. First and foremost it was our aim to portray a demonstration containing messages full of hope, wishes and ideas for a better world and not depicting a demonstration full of hate. We are convinced that it is down to us to shape our own future, therefore we have to get involved. Democracy is not an option but a duty, we Hamburgers must prove to the Trumps, Putins and Erdorgans of this world, what it really means to be a tolerant, progressive, unprejudiced, colorful and open city”, Gerrit Braun explains.

Compared to other parts of the city, the Miniatur Wunderland will keep its doors open during the G20 summit. Demonstrator or delegate, all are welcome and invited to leave their message. Even though it probably won't be business as usual: “We will in no doubt be effected by the G20 summit, whether by the closure of streets, demonstrations or ticket cancellations which we will gladly accept. The persons talking to each other at the summit are representatives of the people. Therefore I welcome them to do it in our city and not in the middle of nowhere. The G20 summit is a gathering of all kinds of experts and decision-makers discussing important matters. We have to take to streets, get involved, encourage exchange and show the world that democracy and freedom are not a thing of the past.

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