

BÁTONYTERENYE

Dear Potential Partners,

I am greeting You on behalf of more than 13 thousand inhabitants of Batonyterenye.



Fields of Twinnig



- One of our major goals refers to establishing regional cooperation between countries of European Union and Visegrad Group through the realization common projects. We wish to accomplish a lot of projects, share experiences, ideas and practice in different fields such as:
- local governmental work, experiences of self-governmental institutions, public services
- among entrepreneurs, local economic development
- among youth, schools, education with international youth exchange, language skills improvement
- among civil organizations,
- on the fields of culture, art, heritage, traditions, sport, leisure and tourism
- environment protection, sustainable development, use of green energy

Location



- North of Hungary
- Eastern part of Nograd County
- 100 km from the capital of Hungary, Budapest
- 22 km from the Slovakian border
- Good transport facilities to the biggest towns as Miskolc, Eger, Hatvan by motorway or railroad

Our town



- Inhabited from the Bronze Age
- Town since 1989
- Consists of 4 villages:
Nagybátony,
Kisterenye, Maconka
and Szupatak

Coal-mining heritage



- Development thanks to coal-mining
- First mine was opened at the beginning of the 1860s
- Coal-mining is a determinant industry till the beginning of 1990s
- Its signs can be found at many parts of the town
- Civil organizations preserve mining traditions carefully

Natural beauties



- The town and its forested surroundings are real paradise for lovers of nature
- Rich in natural beauties at the foot of Matra Mountains (also the highest peak of Hungary: Kékestető), the hilly Cserhát and in the valley of river Zagyva
- Maconka Reservoir is a worldwide famous fishing lake (65 hectares) created from river Zagyva.

Famous buildings



- Gyürky-Solymossy Castle is built in late baroque style
- Its 13 hectares park is a nature protection area with rare tree and plant species
- Church of Maconka is the other valuable architectural heritage, built in the 14th century

Centre of the micro-region



- Batonyterenye is the centre of the micro-region
- Provides all the basic and important public services (health, shopping, administration, etc), for locals and those who live in the micro-region
- Multinational chain stores appeared in town in the last years

Industry and investments



- Former economy based on heavy industry and coal-mining
- The new structure of industry is forming now suitably for market needs
- Industrial park is waiting for new enterprises and companies with long time investments and job opportunities

Education, Entertainment



- There are 3 primary schools, a grammar school, a technical school and a music and art school in town
- Many programmes, festivals are available for young and elder: children's day, labour's day, miners' day, harvest parade and other local festivals

Active life

New, modern swimming-pool with many water programmes, competitions and swimming facilities for babies, students, adults and elder people



Active life 2.



Bátonyterenye gives many opportunities for indoor and outdoor sports such as trekking, running, judo, angling, squash, etc.

Accomodation, restaurants



Visitors and tourists
are welcome in
pansions, guest
houses, bars,
restaurants

Folk tradition



- The region is called Palocland named after the folk group – Paloc - living here with a lot of traditions (language, costumes, festivals, dance, songs, folk style houses, furnitures)
- This heritage is preserved carefully by culture institutions and civil organisations

Religious heritage



- The main religion in this region is Roman Catholic
- One of the most famous pilgrimage places of Hungary is near Batonyterenye named Szentkút (The Holy Well) in memory of a wonderful recovery of a dumb shepherdboy

Our twin towns



- Filakovo (Slovakia) since 2003. (above left)
- Kobylnica (Poland) since 2012. (below left)
- Szászrégen (Romania) since 2012. (above right)

We declare our readiness to establish friendly and hospitable partnership and cooperation between Your town and Bátorlyerénye.



We strongly believe in the possibilities of our cooperation and future personal meeting.

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