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Take action to conserve our resources!

The Verband kommunaler Unternehmen e. V. (association of local public utilities – VKU) is the official lobby for municipal utilities and waste management in Germany. Of the 1,400 organisational members, the majority are responsible for energy supply, water and sewage, as well as waste and city cleaning.

The VKU combines the interests of municipal organisations and exercises influence on the formation of public policy and legislation. It is a pioneer of the municipal sector and offers its members an extensive range of services.

Since 1912, the Abfallwirtschaft und Stadtreinigung VKS (Waste Management and City Cleaning VKS) branch has represented the interests of municipal waste management and city cleaning and all related industry divisions and services. The VKU collaborates closely with the federal government, states and municipal umbrella organisations, as well as with municipal, public-sector and private waste management bodies. The branch advises and informs its 431 regular members about municipal waste management, city cleaning and winter road maintenance services. In addition to this, it supports knowledge-sharing between its members, as well as the education and training of skilled personnel.

431 members

Around 65,000 employees

EUR 9.3 billion sales revenue per year

EUR 791 billion investments per year

Source: VKU Zahlen, Daten, Fakten 2015

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Personal expert consulting service for

- Technical queries
- Financial and economic queries
- Logistical matters
- Legal issues
- Organisational queries

Political lobby function

- Dialogue with political decision-makers at a regional, national and European level
- Publication of statements, expert reports, strategy and position papers

Information and monitoring

- Newsletters for members
- Extensive and exclusive range of online information
- Press work and public relations
- Media monitoring
- Development and maintenance of media representatives and multipliers
- Press releases and statements
- Press conferences and background discussions

Municipal waste management newsletter

- Up-to-date news about municipal waste management and city cleaning – every 14 days (in collaboration with the organisation's publisher VKU Verlag)



Trade journal VKS-NEWS

- Scientific and best practice contributions released 10 times annually

Technical publications

- Practice-oriented info brochures about selected topics
- VKS internet infos: Exclusive online brochures to download

Education and training

- National conferences concerning current economic, technical, political and legal trends
- Discounted training offers at the VKU Academy and our cooperation partners
- Involvement in expert committees
- Trade fair appearances
- Private sponsorship of the world's largest environment fair (IFAT) in Munich
- Participation in other trade fairs and congresses
- Arrangement of symposiums and seminars

Events

- Associate congress
- VKU congress for municipal waste management and city cleaning
- Parliamentary summer party in Berlin



› YOUR CONTACTS

Dr Holger Thärichen

Managing director

Key responsibilities:

- Branch management
- Political and ministerial representation
- Support of central waste legislation processes

Committee management:

- Main committee for Abfallwirtschaft und Stadtreinigung VKS

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Dr Achim W. Schröter

Deputy managing director

Key responsibilities:

- Street cleaning, urban image, road and green area maintenance
- Winter services
- Municipal vehicle fleet, workshops, vehicle procurement, automotive technology, road maintenance
- Standardisation (technological, procedural and service standards); Chairperson of the standards committee for municipal technology

Committee management:

- Fleet expert committee
- Street cleaning expert committee
- Winter services expert committee

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Consultant

Key responsibilities:

- European waste prevention week
- Let's clean up Europe

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Janett Auricht

Consultant

Key responsibilities:

- Occupational safety and health
- Human resources (especially training, personnel development, work-life balance)
- Equal opportunities
- Standort Service Plus
- Concept management for online presence

Committee management:

- Occupational safety and health expert committee
- Human resources expert committee
- Equal opportunities working group
- working group

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Dr Martin Gehring

Department head

Key responsibilities:

- Thermal waste treatment
- Landfilling
- Biological waste treatment
- Pretreatment
- Recycling
- Electricity & heating
- Climate & environment

Committee management:

- Biological waste treatment expert committee
- VKU/DWA expert committee on landfills
- Thermal waste treatment expert committee
- VKU/ITAD working group on waste management and climate protection

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Alexander Neubauer

Consultant

Key responsibilities:

- Waste collection
- Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment and Battery laws
- Demographic change
- Sales strategies
- Industrial waste ordinance

Committee management:

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- Logistics expert committee
- Business management/organisation expert committee

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Ilona Volk

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- Membership issues of VKU and its support association
- Regional groups and conferences of regional groups
- Sale of publications and VKS-NEWS
- Support for events, congresses and trade fairs

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› OUR NATIONAL COMMITTEES

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› OUR COMMITTEES

› Main committee for waste management and city cleaning

Chair: Patrick Hasenkamp, Münster
Dr Holger Thärichen, VKU headquarters

› Expert committees

Occupational safety and health

Chair: Kerstin Bernholz, Essen
Headquarters supervisor:
Janett Auricht

Business management and organisation

Chair: Elke Franz, Leipzig
Headquarters supervisor:
Alexander Neubauer

Biological waste management

Chair: Dr Hubert Seier, Selm
Headquarters supervisor:
Dr Martin Gehring

Landfills

Chair: Michael Rakete, Sierksdorf
Headquarters supervisor:
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Europe

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Recycling

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Winter services

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Headquarters supervisor:
Dr Achim W. Schröter

› SUPPORT ASSOCIATION VKU ABFALLWIRTSCHAFT UND STADTREINIGUNG VKS

According to the statutes, the VKU Abfallwirtschaft und Stadtreinigung VKS e.V. support club is responsible for the following:

- Supporting the VKU with technical innovations in waste management, international work and other projects and activities assigned to it by the VKU
- Holding technical talks regarding operational, technical and organisational developments in the waste management industry and the implementation thereof together with the VKU
- Providing suggestions and materials concerning waste management topics
- Contributing to the development of the association's policy objectives

Membership of the support association is available to all national and international organisations – irrespective of their legal form – and all individuals, who work either in consulting or production in the trade fields of city cleaning and recycling and waste management.

How can you benefit from a membership in this society?

- You receive VKS NEWS and the VKU annual report, as well other information material free of charge.
- You receive all other publications from the VKU Abfallwirtschaft und Stadtreinigung VKS branch at reduced

prices.

- You can participate in all events held by the VKU, VKU academy and the VKU Abfallwirtschaft und Stadtreinigung VKS branch at reduced prices.
- If necessary, you receive financial and technical suggestions and tips.
- A web-page on the support association's homepage is at your disposal for communication, information and acquisition purposes.
- You will be invited to the annual conferences and the regional group conferences of the VKU Abfallwirtschaft und Stadtreinigung VKS branch.
- You have access to continuous dialogue with waste management and city cleaning operations.
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