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Treviglio and Lauingen (Danube):
the bond between the two towns is strengthened by a friendship pact, thanks to SDF

From 15 to 17 October 2026, Mayor Juri Imeri, accompanied by a delegation from the municipality of Treviglio, will be in the Bavarian town of Lauingen (Donau). The visit to the SDF plant and the official meetings will mark the formalisation of the agreement between the two municipalities.

Treviglio, 15 October 2027 – SDF's presence in Treviglio and Lauingen (Danube) has long united the two regions through work, manufacturing and the history of agricultural mechanisation. It is on this bond that the relationship between the two towns is built; from 15 to 17 October, during Mayor Juri Imeri's official visit to Lauingen (Donau), they will formalise a friendship pact between them.

SDF, which has its headquarters in Treviglio and one of its main production sites in Lauingen (Danube), acts as a bridge between the two communities. The industrial ties between SAME and DEUTZ-FAHR – whose merger gave rise to SAME DEUTZ-FAHR (now SDF) – have, over time, also fostered relations between the local authorities and provided opportunities for cultural exchange amongst citizens.

The visit will follow on from the meeting in July 2025, when Mayor Katja Müller was welcomed to Treviglio alongside representatives from SDF. On that occasion, the tour exploring the town's historical and artistic heritage concluded at SDF's headquarters, confirming the company's role in the relationship between the two localities.

The programme in Lauingen will also combine industrial and institutional elements. On the morning of Friday 16 October, the delegation will visit the SDF factory, whilst in the afternoon the programme will continue at the Town Hall. The formalisation of the friendship agreement will give continuity to the shared desire to strengthen relations and foster new opportunities for mutual understanding.

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"SDF is part of the history and life of our communities and has helped to forge a bond that we now wish to strengthen at an institutional level as well," said Mayor Juri Imeri. *"The friendship agreement with Lauingen represents an opportunity to broaden our European ties, building on a shared industrial history, which we hope will create new opportunities for our citizens to meet and engage in cultural exchange. I would like to thank SDF for facilitating this process and the Lauingen council for their willingness to work together to build a fruitful relationship."*

"Following the warm welcome we received in Treviglio, we are delighted to host Mayor Imeri and his delegation in Lauingen and to show them our town. – said Mayor Katja Müller – *"SDF's presence in both towns has fostered a strong bond, which we now have the opportunity to develop further through this new friendship agreement. We hope that this initiative will give rise to new opportunities for exchange among our citizens, particularly young people. I would like to thank the Municipality of Treviglio and SDF for helping to make this meeting possible."*