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East Germany lives on – filling more than 300 square metres: DDR Museum Berlin to open at DomAquaree in early summer

Riverside location for new museum portraying the living history of everyday life in the GDR

Berlin, 6 March 2006 – The DDR Museum Berlin opens early this summer just opposite the main cathedral in the heart of the German capital, allowing visitors to gain an insight into everyday life in the former East Germany. The new attraction is situated on the banks of the River Spree within view of Berlin's world-famous Museum Island.

“The museum couldn't be closer to Berlin's historic centre,” says project manager Robert Rückel, describing the museum's impressive location near the Liebknecht Bridge, close to the Palace of the Republic and other tourist attractions in the vicinity of the DomAquaree CityQuartier complex.

Former citizens of the GDR have been asked for help in creating a picture of everyday life in the former communist state of East Germany: “We need more personal photographs, groceries and documents associated with working life,” explains Peter Kenzelmann, the museum's managing director. Those making generous donations will benefit from free entry to the museum for life.

Further information and a map can be found on the website at www.ddr-museum.de.

Photographs and the museum's logo can be found in the press section of our website. Please do not hesitate to contact project manager Robert Rückel on +49 30 257 629 85 (mobile: +49 170 333 5094) if you have any questions. Notification and a voucher copy of reproduced news would be appreciated.