



**Voluntary Work**

**S\ETYS**

Enabling people and organizations



### It's fun to get involved – together with others

It is in Uta Schulz's DNA to volunteer with other people to achieve goals and improve life and the world, maybe a little bit at least. Since her early youth, she has been volunteering.

Uta Schulz – SveTys is currently involved in these contexts and projects:

#### The Swedish Chamber of Commerce's Regional Group in Northern Germany

The Swedish Chamber of Commerce's regional group in northern Germany is an important platform for anyone seeking Swedish-German professional contacts and exchanges in the area between the North and Baltic Sea all the way down to the Central German Uplands, or Harz Mountains.

The regional group members organize the local program as well as regional events independently and on a voluntary basis. They promote networking with other interested parties in the Swedish economy in the region and linking local contacts in business, politics or key contacts in the local administration.

#### Business Women's Initiative, Swedish Chamber of Commerce

The Swedish Chamber of Commerce's Business Women's Initiative was founded in May 2020 on Uta's proposal. The goal is to strengthen women in leading functions, to support each other, discover and develop potential and to inspire each other.

Uta is part of the active group that initiates, organizes and moderates events for the Business Women's Initiative and thus develops the network nationwide.

#### Parish Council in the Swedish Gustaf-Adolf Church in Hamburg

The Swedish Gustaf Adolf Church in Hamburg is active as a parish of the Church of Sweden in the federal states of Hamburg, Schleswig-Holstein, Lower Saxony, Bremen and Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania in all church matters. It is at the same time the centre of the Swedish community in northern Germany and a contact point for many who are interested in Sweden, Swedish culture and Swedish traditions.

The Swedish Gustaf-Adolf Church in Hamburg largely finances itself and has four (part-time) employees right now.

The Church Council acts as the board of a German registered association. Uta is one of eight church councillors and trusted with the parish's communication.

#### Skandinavien in Hamburg

"Skandinavien in Hamburg" is an informal network of Nordic companies in Hamburg that were formed on Uta's initiative. The network appeals to Scandinavian enthusiasts in Hamburg and northern Germany. How and where you can experience "Skandinavien in Hamburg" you can find out at [www.skandinavien-in-hamburg.de](http://www.skandinavien-in-hamburg.de).

## Sponsorship for Flower Meadow – Involvement in Environmental and Animal Welfare

Close to Uta's office and home, she has taken over sponsorship for a green area that has so far been quite uncared for and useless from an ecological point of view. In a first step, she and children from the neighbourhood have sown summer flowers for bees and insects.

The next step will be a transformation into a flower meadow close to nature on an approximately 200 m<sup>2</sup> large area. At the same time, the area will be refurbished with insect hotels and birdhouses.

The aim is to increase and protect the biodiversity in the local area and sensitize children and fellow citizens to environmental and animal protection – and preferably become active themselves.



