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International Avantime Meeting 2026

Preliminary Programme

Dear Avantime friends, here is an initial overview of the planned schedule for the Avantime Meeting 2026 at the southern edge of the "Lüneburger Heide. Exact times will follow later.

Arrival: Thursday, 06 August 2026 **Departure:** Sunday, 09 August 2026

Accommodation

We will stay at **Hotel Heide-Kröpke** (hotel@heide-kroepke.de) Hotel Heide Kröpke, Esseler Damm 1, 29690 Essel Phone: +49 5167 97 90

Rooms from the reserved allotment can be booked under the keyword "**Renault Avantime**".

Key Information (subject to change)

Date	Time	Activity
Thu, 06.08.2026	from 16:00	Arrival, check-in at Hotel Heide-Kröpke
	19:00	Joint dinner
Fri, 07.08.2026	09:00	Departure to the Oil Museum in Wietze (approx. 30 km) https://maps.app.goo.gl/Hf3psfZKsEJi6vjN6
		Guided tour of the museum https://www.erdoelmuseum.de/
		There is a documentary about the "oil boom" in Wietze available in the ARD Mediathek and on 01.01.2026 on NDR television ("Black Gold"), which might be an interesting preview.
	approx. 12:00	Departure to the Misselhorner Heath (approx. 39 km) https://maps.app.goo.gl/tTjevPq4S1STpdkx9
		Carriage ride through the Misselhorner Heath, snack on the carriage https://www.misselhornerhof.de/meyers-reitstall/kutschfahrten/
		End of the carriage ride, return to the hotel individually (approx. 44 km without detours) https://maps.app.goo.gl/QNdz1uVZSTiUahw9A
	19:00	Joint dinner
Sat, 08.08.2026	09:00	Departure to City of Celle (approx. 40 km), parking garage "Südwall" https://maps.app.goo.gl/FwpYP5xP8Ej2ynz4A
	11:00	Guided city tour of Celle, approx. 1.5 hours
		Afterwards: free time for strolling around the city (recommendations available anytime from Heidi and Artur)
	17:00 (latest)	Return to the hotel individually
	19:00	Joint dinner with barbecue buffet
Sun, 09.08.2026	—	After breakfast: farewells and departure

Tips for those who wish to stay longer

Distances from Hotel Heide-Kröpke in brackets:

- **Lüneburg:** Historic old town, Salt Museum and much more (90 km)
- **German Tank Museum, Munster** (60 km)
- **Bergen-Belsen Memorial**, including the grave of Anne Frank (25 km)
- **Serengeti Park Hodenhagen** (14 km)
- **Walsrode Bird Park** (26 km)
- **Wilsede** (in the centre of the Lüneburger Heide, 65 km)