Global Village 4560. Eine begehbare Landkarte
Global Village 4560. A Walk-on Map
Installation in the public space of a village with country names and quotes on banners, shields, labels, flags, fabrics etc.
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Pia Lanzinger has interviewed residents of Kirchdorf on the Krems (ZIP Code 4560) and asked them about their relationship to faraway countries. Among other questions: From where they have found their way into the region? To where they travel and where they have a holiday house? With quotations from these conversations that have been adapted in their format and design, the artist shapes those places in the urban space at which these desires and memories are expressed or can be associated with. The points of reference of people in this global village with its Chinese restaurants, travel agencies and fair trade shops stretch from Iceland via Tanzania to India and Las Vegas. Like a walk-on map, station for station, an urban panorama opens up of curricula vitae, the yearnings and fates of the town’s residents and thus a polyphonic counterpoint to the lovingly cultivated myth of the settled life in rural areas. Martin Fritz