

Sustainable & Resilient Urban-Rural Partnerships - URP2020

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Conference at Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research in Leipzig, November 25-27, 2020

Under auspices of the Minister of the German Ministry for Education and Research (BMBWF) Anja Karliczek, the conference "Sustainable & Resilient Urban-Rural Partnerships - URP2020" will take place in Leipzig, Germany, 25-27 November 2020.

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By focusing on sustainable and resilient urban-rural partnerships, the international URP2020 conference aims at developing new urban-rural imaginaries, integrating strategies and projects that explore present and future potentials in terms of sustainability and resilience. URP2020 contributes to the implementation of the New Leipzig Charter 2020 and is part of the events of the German Presidency of the Council of the European Union in 2020.

URP2020 will bring together outstanding keynote speakers and connect scientific insights with enlightening experiences of on-going projects in practice. Join a stimulating conference that fosters learning on various levels, i.e, from the local level via entire regions to the broader European understanding of integrated urban-rural development. We offer a forum for exchange and support the co-design of ideas to tackle the challenges for sustainable and resilient regional development.

We are closely following the COVID-19 development, WHO and German official

policies and recommendations. We hope that we all stay healthy and that the URP2020 will take place in Leipzig in November. We will consider alternative forms (online) or timing of the event in due course.

We are looking forward to welcoming you at URP2020 in Leipzig.

Aim & Topics

Regions are of critical importance to achieve the implementation of the UN 2030 Agenda including the Sustainable Development Goals and the HABITAT III objectives. The traditional distinction between urban and rural is imprecise and obviously shapes conflicts hindering constructive approaches. Knowledge and policies can support sustainable and resilient urban-rural partnerships at various spatial levels for stronger regions. Innovative and comprehensive perspectives on common targets are needed together with strategies to put them into practice. It is important to understand the complexly structured continuum in-between the urban and the rural and unleash synergies by close interaction and mutual support.

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The URP2020 conference “Sustainable and Resilient Urban-Rural Partnerships” draws specific attention to closing the gap between available scientific knowledge on the one hand and decision making in practice on the other. We offer a forum for exchange and support the co-design of ideas to tackle the challenges listed above.

By focusing on sustainable and resilient urban-rural partnerships, the international URP2020 conference contributes to the implementation of key elements of the revised Leipzig Charter, which will be signed by the European ministers responsible for urban and regional planning during their meeting in Leipzig, 30th November and 1st December 2020.

Further information (Link)
