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Take Part: URP2020 Expert Conference



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URBAN-RURAL PARTNERSHIPS

The joint sustainable development of urban and rural areas for stronger regions is and remains a great opportunity and challenge - especially in times of the climate crisis, coronavirus pandemic, advancing urbanization and dynamic housing markets.

For the first time, the European expert conference URP2020 on sustainable and resilient urban-rural partnerships will take place on 26–27 November 2020. Under the patronage of the German Federal Minister for Education and Research (BMBF), Anja Karliczek, representatives from science, politics and practice will exchange approaches and identify future research needs. Exciting keynote speakers will contribute to the conference and you too can also take part. An innovative event app offers information and the possibility to interact even in advance.

With a little luck, you can even take part in the conference for free – for more information see page 2.

The URP2020 is jointly organized by the scientific synthesis project of the “Stadt-Land-Plus” funding measure and the Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research in Leipzig. Practice partners along with scientists are currently developing innovative solutions in 22 joint projects as part of the BMBF’s funding measure “Stadt-Land-Plus” in order to improve balancing of interests and sustainable development for stronger regions. **Find information in English about Stadt-Land-Plus and the projects at www.zukunftsstadt-stadlandplus.de.**

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Expert Conference URP2020, 26 – 27 November 2020

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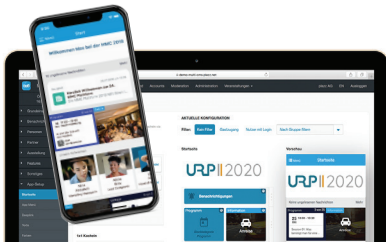
The Program - What can You Expect?



The URP2020 brings together experts from science and practice as part of Germany's Presidency of the Council of the EU. The opening plenary will include the Federal Minister Anja Karliczek, the Saxon Prime Minister Michael Kretschmer and the President of the German Association of Cities Leipzig's Mayor Burkhard Jung. The keynote speakers include Maria Vassilakou, who as Vienna's Deputy Mayor oversaw the transition of the city into one of the most livable metropolises in the world, and Prof. Silke Weidner, who was a key-advisor for the renewal of the Leipzig Charter. With over 30 interactive sessions, all of which are organized by international partners, the following topics will receive special attention: governance of successful urban-rural partnerships, regional land-use management, resilience and extreme events, regional circular economy and digitization.

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Conference App - Be Actively Part of the Event!



Whether on the computer or on the go - you will never miss a moment with the URP2020 Mobile Event App. Enter directly into the plenary and the sessions via the app. Features help you to choose your sessions, chat with other participants, download documents and much more. With your profile, you may indicate your interests and easily network with others. Whether listening, exchanging ideas or contributing - we look forward to your active participation through the URP2020 event app!

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Free Ticket Giveaway!

The plenary session of the conference will be streamed free of charge. Access to the interactive offers and expert sessions is only available to registered participants – regular online registration fee is 80 Euros. But we do offer a chance to those who may not afford the fee; **send an email to contact@URP2020.eu by 18 November 2020 with the subject of "URP2020 Ticket Giveaway"** and write to us why you want to actively participate in the URP2020 sessions. The first 30 convincing requests will receive free tickets and thus gain access to all of the sessions and content!

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