

Conference Agenda

Session Overview

Date: **Wednesday, 01/May/2024**

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| 6:30pm | Pre-conference meeting (not funded) Location: Baltasis Tiltas Food Hall |
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| 9:00pm | |

Date: Thursday, 02/May/2024

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| 9:30am - 4:00pm | Registration Location: Lobby of the conference center 2nd floor | |
| 10:00am - 10:45am | Opening ceremony Location: Castle Yard Welcome and RSA presentation: Donatas Burneika, Daniela Carl, Alan Kinder | |
| 10:45am - 11:30am | Keynote session I Location: Castle Yard The Role Of System-level Agency And Regional Governance Modes In Evolutionary Pathways Of Regional Industries Jiří Blažek Charles University, Czech Republic | |
| 11:30am - 12:00pm | Coffee break Location: Lobby of the conference center 2nd floor | |
| 12:00pm - 12:45pm | Keynote session II Location: Castle Yard Innovation Networks and Green Transition MARIA TSOURI | |
| 12:45pm - 1:30pm | Keynote session III Location: Castle Yard How Widespread is Counter-urbanization Amidst Digital Transition and Challenges in Urban Housing Affordability? TIIT TAMMARU University of Tartu, Estonia | |
| 1:30pm - 2:30pm | Lunch break Location: Restaurant "Solt dining" 1st floor of the hotel | |
| 2:30pm - 4:00pm | Parallel session 1: Politics and Governance Location: Castle Yard Chair: Laura James 2:30pm - 2:45pm Discussing Place-based Urban Engagement: Local Councillors' Perceptions of Participatory Practices Jurga Bucaite Vilke, Viktorija Baranauskiene Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania 2:45pm - 3:00pm The Geographical Aspects of the Lithuanian and Hungarian Electoral Systems Tamás Kovalcsik¹, Dovydas Vidzbelis² 1: Department of Economic and Social Geography, University of Szeged, Hungary; 2: Department of Regional and Urban Studies, Institute of Sociology at the Lithuanian Centre for Social Sciences, Lithuania 3:00pm - 3:15pm How Sick is European Democracy and What Remedies Can the Nordic Countries Offer? Ligita Šarkutė¹, Algis Krupavičius² 1: Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania, Office of the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania; 2: Mykolas Romeris University, Lithuania 3:15pm - 3:30pm Interactive Governance of Whale Ecosystem Services: Governability Assessment of Three Case Studies in the Arctic Laura Malinauskaite University of Iceland, Iceland 3:30pm - 3:45pm | Parallel session 2: Housing and Residence Location: Plaza Yard Chair: Rūta Ubarevičienė 2:30pm - 2:50pm An Insight Into Lithuania's Housing Needs and Issues Jolanta Aidukaitė, Kristina Senkuvienė, Rūta Ubarevičienė Lithuanian Centre for Social Sciences, Lithuania 2:50pm - 3:10pm Residential Integration of the New Immigrants: Exploring the Role of Occupation on Housing and Neighbourhood Outcomes Kadi Kalm, Anneli Kährrik, Jānis Zālīte, Tiit Tammaru University of Tartu, Estonia 3:10pm - 3:30pm Development of Residential Construction in the Post-socialist Decades: Case of Vilnius and Budapest Balázs Szabó¹, Donatas Burneika² 1: Research Centre for Astronomy and Earth Sciences, Hungary; 2: Institute of Sociology, Lithuanian Centre for Social Sciences 3:30pm - 3:50pm Multilocal' Warsaw Residents: Spatial and Temporal Arrangements, Motives, Modes of Residence, Use of Public Services and Local Engagement Barbara Dominika Jaczewska, Jan Szczepński University of Warsaw, Poland |

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| | <p>Dilemmas of Non-mandatory Planning for Tourism Development – the Case of Denmark Henrik Halkier, Laura James, Carsten Jahn Hansen Aalborg University, Denmark</p> | |
| <p>4:00pm - 4:30pm</p> | <p>Coffee break Location: Lobby of the conference center 2nd floor</p> | |
| <p>4:30pm - 6:00pm</p> | <p>Parallel session 3: Cities and Higher Education Location: Castle Yard Chair: Roman Martin</p> <hr/> <p>4:30pm - 4:50pm Riga and Vilnius: Socio-spatial Dimensions of Rivalry of the Biggest Baltic Cities Zaiga Krisjane¹, Donatas Burneika², Maris Berzins¹, Simona Ščerbinskaitė² 1: University of Latvia, Latvia; 2: Department of Regional and Urban Studies, Lithuanian Centre for Social Sciences</p> <hr/> <p>4:50pm - 5:10pm Lithuanian Cities: Decades of Decline and Glimmers of Stability Gintarė Pociūtė-Sereikienė Lithuanian Centre for Social Sciences, Lithuania</p> <hr/> <p>5:10pm - 5:30pm Steering Universities for Sustainability Transitions: the Role of Isomorphic Pressures and Institutional Carriers Ridvan Cinar, Lars Coenen Western Norway University of Applied Sciences, Norway</p> <hr/> <p>5:30pm - 5:50pm Social and Economic Impact of International Students in the Baltic Region Elina Apsite-Berina¹, Eero Loonurm², Zaiga Krisjane¹, Ieva Jegermane¹ 1: University of Latvia, Latvia; 2: Study in Estonia, Estonia</p> | <p>Parallel session 4: Digitization and Innovations Location: Plaza Yard Chair: Bianka Plüschke-Altöf</p> <hr/> <p>4:30pm - 4:50pm When Innovation Policies Go Inclusive: Overcoming Digital Divides in Nordic and Baltic Countries Through Innovation Policies and Civic Society Engagement Sigrid Jessen, Maja Brynteson, Anna Vasilevskaya Nordregio Research Institute, Sweden</p> <hr/> <p>4:50pm - 5:10pm Do Geography and Market Conditions Matter for Retail Crypto Adoption? Evelina Kvedaravičiūtė, Alfreda Šapkauskienė Vilnius University, Lithuania</p> <hr/> <p>5:10pm - 5:30pm Quantitative Assessment of Cultural Environment in Regions: The Case of Lithuanian Municipalities Kristina Mažeikaitė Vilnius University, Lithuania</p> |
| <p>6:30pm - 9:00pm</p> | <p>Conference dinner Courtyard by Marriott Hotel Location: Restaurant "Solt dining" 1st floor of the hotel</p> | |

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| <p>8:30am - 1:00pm</p> | <p>Registration Location: Lobby of the conference center 2nd floor</p> | |
| <p>9:00am - 11:00am</p> | <p>Parallel session 5: Economy Location: Castle Yard Chair: Giedrė Dzemydaitė</p> <hr/> <p>9:00am - 9:20am Economic Diversification Into New Growth Paths: a Case Study of the Baltic States Giedrė Dzemydaitė Vilnius University, Lithuania</p> <hr/> <p>9:20am - 9:40am Automation, Structural Change and the Geography of Jobs Martin Henning University of Gothenburg, Sweden</p> <hr/> <p>9:40am - 10:00am Examining the Economic Interlinkages Between Russia and Eu Countries: Supply Chains in Context of Economic Sanctions Brigita Šidlauskaitė-Riazanova Vilnius University, Lithuania</p> <hr/> <p>10:00am - 10:20am Does the Smart Specialisation Strategy Reflect the Concept of Relatedness in the Baltic States? Rima Rubcinskaite Vilnius University, Lithuania</p> <hr/> <p>10:20am - 10:40am Economic Geography Perspectives on Blockchain Adoption in Global Supply Chains Sarah Franz Gothenburg University, Sweden</p> <hr/> <p>10:40am - 11:00am How News Data Can Reveal the Regional Economic Climate: The RegNeS-Database Tom Broekel University of Stavanger, Norway</p> | <p>Parallel session 6: Rural Regions Location: Plaza Yard Chair: Garri Raagmaa</p> <hr/> <p>9:00am - 9:20am Manors as Rural Development Drivers Garri Raagmaa University of Tartu, Estonia</p> <hr/> <p>9:20am - 9:40am Contradictory Demographic Tendencies and Economic Performance in Rural Regions: Latvia's North East Districts Example Māris Fogelis University of Latvia, Latvia</p> <hr/> <p>9:40am - 10:00am Rural Elderly in the Turmoil of Digital Transition – Designing Digital Service for Elderly in Rural Areas in Estonia Mariia Bochkova¹, Bianka Plüschke-Altöf^{1,2}, Ingmar Pastak¹, Katri-Liis Lepik², Triin Kübar², Kadri Kangro^{1,2}, Kadri Leetmaa¹ 1: University of Tartu, Estonia; 2: Tallinn University, Estonia</p> <hr/> <p>10:00am - 10:20am Migration Flows in Peripheral Rural Places of Lithuania: Searching for Sustainable Opportunities Edis Kriaučiūnas¹, Donatas Burneika² 1: Institute of Sociology at the Lithuanian Centre for Social Sciences, Lithuania; 2: Institute of Sociology at the Lithuanian Centre for Social Sciences, Lithuania</p> <hr/> <p>10:20am - 10:40am Can New Settlers Change the Development Trajectories of Peripheral Territories? The Case of Lithuania: Based on the Opinion of Local Communities Viktorija Baranauskienė¹, Donatas Burneika², Edis Kriaučiūnas³, Rūta Ubarevičienė⁴ 1: Lithuanian Centre for Social Sciences, Lithuania; 2: Lithuanian Centre for Social Sciences, Lithuania; 3: Lithuanian Centre for Social Sciences, Lithuania; 4: Lithuanian Centre for Social Sciences, Lithuania</p> <hr/> <p>10:40am - 11:00am Rethinking Smartification From the Rural Margins Bianka Plüschke-Altöf^{1,3}, Bradley Loewen², Kadri Leetmaa¹, Ingmar Pastak¹ 1: University of Tartu, Estonia; 2: Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Norway; 3: Tallinn University, Estonia</p> |
| <p>11:00am - 11:30am</p> | <p>Coffee break Location: Lobby of the conference center 2nd floor</p> | |
| <p>11:30am - 1:10pm</p> | <p>Parallel session 7: Spatial Inequality and Segregation Location: Castle Yard Chair: Zaiga Krisjane</p> <hr/> <p>11:30am - 11:50am Mind the Gap: Exploring the Spatial and Time Dynamics of Income Inequalities in the Nordics Carlos Tapia, Anna Lundgren, Nora Sánchez Gassen Nordregio, Sweden</p> | <p>Parallel session 8: Green Transformation and Sustainability Location: Plaza Yard Chair: Elita Jermolajeva</p> <hr/> <p>11:30am - 11:50am The Role of Green Infrastructure in Residents' Life Satisfaction, Depression Risk and Mental Health Diagnosis - How Important is Green Infrastructure as a Planning Argument?</p> |

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| <p>11:50am - 12:10pm</p> | <p>A New Approach to Tackling Income Inequality in Lithuania <u>Agne Lauzadyte-Tutliene</u>, Arunas Burinskas Vilnius University, Lithuania</p> | <p><u>Kadri Leetmaa</u>¹, Anto Aasa¹, Jürgen Pikk¹, Kairi Kreegipuu² 1: Department of Geography, University of Tartu, Estonia; 2: Institute of Psychology, University of Tartu, Estonia</p> |
| <p>12:10pm - 12:30pm</p> | <p>Patterns of Socioeconomic Residential Segregation: Exploring the Intersections of Occupation and Ethnicity in Riga <u>Sindija Balode</u>, Māris Bērziņš, Zaiga Krišjāne, Alise Zaļmeža University of Latvia, Latvia</p> | <p>11:50am - 12:10pm The Role of Universities in Steering Regional Green Transformation <u>Markku Sotarauta</u> Tampere University, Finland</p> |
| <p>12:30pm - 12:50pm</p> | <p>Ethnic Segregation and Social Mobility of Tech Sector Workers in Tallinn Urban Region <u>Jānis Zālīte</u>, Kadi Kalm, Kadri Leetmaa, Tiit Tammaru University of Tartu, Estonia</p> | <p>12:10pm - 12:30pm An Integrated Approach to the Systematic Analysis of Sustainable Development of the Baltic States Elīta Jermolajeva, <u>Inese Trusina</u> Latvia University of Life Sciences and Technology, Latvia</p> |
| <p>12:50pm - 1:10pm</p> | <p>Urban-rural Disparities in Childlessness Among Men in Lithuania <u>Daumantas Stumbrys</u>, Margarita Gedvilaitė-Kordušienė Institute of Sociology at the Lithuanian Centre for Social Sciences</p> | <p>12:30pm - 12:50pm Rural Intentional Communities as an Opportunity for Sustainable Development and Creativity <u>Andres Rõigas</u>, Madis Rennu University of Tartu, Estonia</p> |
| <p>1:00pm - 2:00pm</p> | <p>Lunch break Location: Restaurant "Solt dining" 1st floor of the hotel</p> | |
| <p>2:00pm - 3:30pm</p> | <p>Parallel session 9: Tourism, Culture and History Location: Castle Yard Chair: Gintarė Pociūtė-Sereikienė</p> | |
| <p>2:00pm - 2:20pm</p> | <p>Governance of a Film-tourism Destination: Sustainability Perspective <u>Marit Piirman</u>¹, Jarkko Saarinen², Garri Raagmaa¹ 1: University of Tartu, Estonia; 2: University of Oulu</p> | |
| <p>2:20pm - 2:40pm</p> | <p>Exploring the Social and Cultural Dimensions of Nordic Rural Tourism <u>Agust Bogason</u>, Lisa Rohrer, Maja Brytneson Nordregio, Sweden</p> | |
| <p>2:40pm - 3:00pm</p> | <p>Institutional Change and Development in a Limited Access Order of the Grand Duchy of Lithuania (1385-1569) <u>Mantas Bureika</u> Vilnius University, Lithuania</p> | |
| <p>3:00pm - 3:20pm</p> | <p>Attitudes Towards Male Voluntary Childlessness in Scandinavia and Baltic Countries <u>Vaida Tretjakova</u>, Daumantas Stumbrys Lithuanian Centre for Social Sciences, Lithuania</p> | |
| <p>3:30pm - 4:00pm</p> | <p>Coffee and closing remarks Location: Lobby of the conference center 2nd floor</p> | |
| <p>5:00pm - 7:00pm</p> | <p>Free post conference walking tour Green and post-industrial peripheries of Old Town of Vilnius (tour involves uphill climbing, comfortable shoes recommended). Hotel Marriott (starting point).</p> | |