

**PHD COLLOQUIUM I 29.04.22**

# **TERRITORIAL INNOVATION**

**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

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The recent global pandemic, climate change, and the economic and financial crisis, pose numerous challenges to today's cities and regions. Local administrators, sociologists, economists, architects, spatial planners and many other professionals have to deal with a number of issues related to urbanisation. This requires innovative designs, with an eye to resilience and sustainability, for future habitats (Schröder, 2020), new forms of governance (Van den Hurk & Tasan-Kok, 2020), innovative models of entrepreneurship (Mangialardo & Micelli, 2018), neglected sites management (Scaffidi, 2019), digitalisation, and creative processes of urban design and planning (Carta, 2020; Contato, 2019).

The Symposium aims to discuss the state-of-the-art, policies, projects on territorial innovation, and to provide new insights into this field. We want to discuss cutting-edge approaches towards sustainable, and resilient cities, regions and communities.

The Symposium discusses important topics related to urban resilience and sustainability, circular economy, participatory governance, and cultural, digital and social innovation. It will explore socio-economic, and spatial issues for innovative cities and regions. During these times of uncertainty, social isolation, environmental and health crises, there is a need for academics to debate these topics and provide practical recommendations and innovative and sustainable solutions for different contexts.

The Symposium is organised in three sessions:

## **SESSION 1: Governance, Planning, Urban and Territorial Design**

The first session focuses on projects, policies on urban resilient, governance, and innovation in urban and territorial design.

## **SESSION 2: Entrepreneurship and Circular Economy**

The second session aims to discuss about new business and management models, and good practices of circular economy.

## **SESSION 3: Stakeholder Engagement and Social Innovation**

The third session focuses on resilient communities, stakeholder engagement, social innovation and cases of participatory governance.

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## **PHD COLLOQUIUM**

Hannover, 29.04.2022

A PhD colloquium will be organised as part of the “Territorial Innovation” Research Symposium. This application includes participation in the Research Symposium and presentation of the PhD research at the PhD Colloquium. The scientific committee will select the contributions for the presentations.

Selected PhD candidates are invited to present existing features of territorial innovation in their methodological approaches and findings. Presentations will be given in English and PhD candidates will receive feedback from reviewers. The contributions will be published online on the Leibniz University website with DOI.

## **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

The abstract must provide:

- Name and contact data
- Affiliation and supervisor
- Title and abstract of the contribution (max 2.500 characters incl. spaces)
- 10 main bibliographic references
- Short CV (max. 1000 characters)
- Short list of your recent publications (max. 5)

## **DEADLINE**

Please send your application until 01.03.2021 to Dr. Federica Scaffidi at the following address: [scaffidi@staedtebau.uni-hannover.de](mailto:scaffidi@staedtebau.uni-hannover.de)

## **SELECTION**

8 PhD candidates will be selected by the scientific committee. Acceptance will be based on the qualification of the applicant as well as on the originality and the potential of the research project.

## **SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE:**

Jörg Schröder (Leibniz University Hannover), Maurizio Carta (University Palermo), Federica Scaffidi (Leibniz University Hannover), Annalisa Contato (University Palermo)

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