



# 4<sup>th</sup> European Rural Geographies Conference

Reinventing Rural Spaces:

Resilience, Innovation and Sustainability in a changing world

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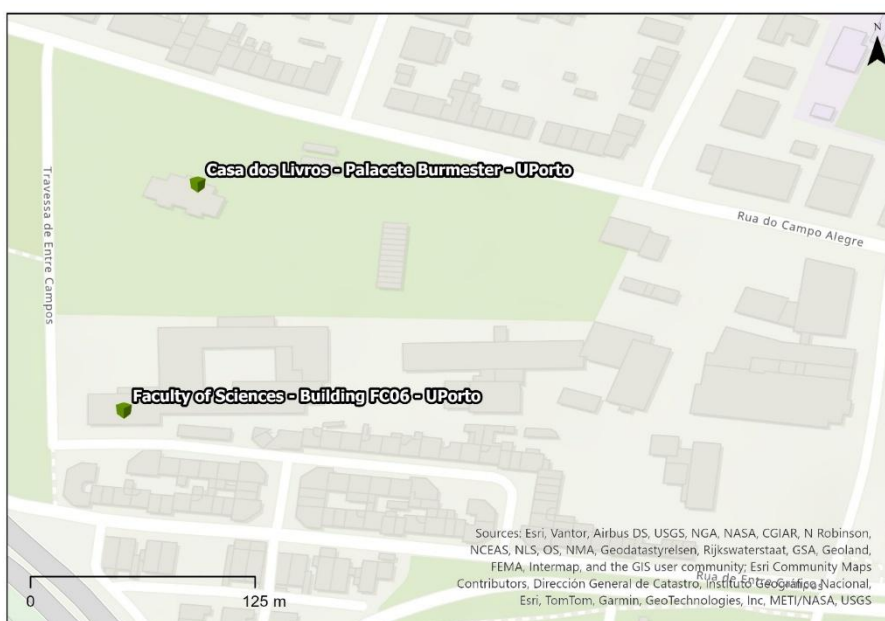
University of Porto, 22–26 June 2026

## Final Programme

		22 June		23 June	24 June	25 June	26 June
<b>Morning</b>							
			08:30 – 09:00	Reception of Participants	<i>Day at leisure</i>	Reception of Participants	<b>Field Trips</b>
			09:00 – 10:00	<b>Keynote Plenary Session</b>		<b>Keynote Plenary Session</b>	
			10:10 – 11:00	Parallel Sessions		Parallel Sessions	
			11:00 – 11:30	Coffee Break		Coffee Break	
			11:30 – 13:00	Parallel Sessions		Parallel Sessions	
			13:00 – 14:00	Lunch		Lunch	
<b>Afternoon</b>							
	14:00 – 16:00	Reception of Participants	14:00 – 15:10	Parallel Sessions	<i>A selection of optional activities is available, including a Rabelo boat regatta on the Douro River, visits to Porto's historical areas, and tours of Port wine cellars in Vila Nova de Gaia (A. A. Ferreira).</i>	Parallel Sessions	<b>Field Trips</b>
			15:20 – 16:40	Parallel Sessions		Parallel Sessions	
	16:00 – 17:00	<b>Opening Session</b>	16:40 – 17:10	Granting of São João Best Wishes		Coffee Break	
	17:00 – 18:00	<b>Inaugural Conference</b>	17:10 – 18:30	<b>São João Night</b>		Parallel Sessions	
	18:00	<b>Welcome Reception</b>	18:30 – 19:00			<b>Closing Session</b>	
<b>Evening</b>							
			20:00	<b>São João Night</b>	<i>Day at leisure</i>	<b>Farewell Dinner and Cultural Moment</b>	

**Venue 1:** Faculty of Sciences - University of Porto (FCUP – FC06) - [https://sigarra.up.pt/fcup/pt/instal\\_geral.edificio\\_view?pv\\_id=1332](https://sigarra.up.pt/fcup/pt/instal_geral.edificio_view?pv_id=1332)

**Venue 2:** Casa dos Livros – University of Porto - <https://wp.letas.up.pt/casadoslivros/pt/contactos/>



## — 22 JUNE 2026 —

### Opening Session · 16:00 – 17:00

Venue: Faculty of Sciences – Auditorium Ferreira da Silva (FC6-030)

### Inaugural Conference · 17:00 – 18:00

#### **From Practice to Policy: A Practitioner's Journey Through the Development of Rural Europe**

Marion Eckardt, *ELARD Knowledge Hub*

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium Ferreira da Silva (FC6-030)

Chair: *Isabel Estrada Carvalhais, University of Minho*

### Welcome Reception · from 18:00

### Poster Exhibition · FCUP – Room FC6 028

### Poster Exhibition · FCUP – Room FC6 028

## — 23 JUNE 2026 —

### Reception of Participants · 08:30 – 09:00

### Keynote Plenary Sessions · 09:00 – 10:00

#### **Reinventing rural space through community based tourism**

Prof. Dr. Mary Cawley, *University of Galway, Ireland*

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium Ferreira da Silva (FC6-030)

Chair: *Paula Remoaldo, Lab2PT, University of Minho*

#### **Restoring the health of agricultural soils as a priority for the sustainability of rural areas: what the European Union's strategy tells us**

Prof. Dr. José Domingo Sánchez Martínez, *Universidad de Jaén, Spain*

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium FC6 029

Chair: *Fantina Tedim, CEGOT, University of Porto*

### Parallel Session 1 · 10:10 – 11:00 · 50 min

#### **PS 1.1 · Agri-food Systems, Forestry and Circular Economy**

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium Ferreira da Silva (FC6-030)

Chair: *Hossein Azadi, University of Ghent, Belgium*

#### **Submission No. #68**

#### **Place, Product and Governance: Territorial Dynamics of Geographical Indications in Slovenia**

Erik Logar, *Anton Melik Geographical Institute, ZRC SAZU, Slovenia*

#### **Submission No. #95**

#### **French rural protest through twenty five years of agricultural elections. Trade union balance of power and spatial trajectories**

Pierre Guillemin, *Inrae Ur Aster, France*

### PS 1.2 - Climate Transitions, Landscapes and Environment

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium FC6 029

Chair: *André Samora-Arvela, FLUP*

#### Submission No. #193

#### **Species-rich hay meadows Under Pressure: Structural Change, Climate Stress, and Conservation Outcomes**

**Leonie Ratzke**, *Institute of Rural Studies of the Johann Heinrich von Thünen-Institute, Federal Research Institute for Rural Areas, Forestry and Fisheries, Germany*

**Rajina Bajacharya**, *Institute of Rural Studies of the Johann Heinrich von Thünen-Institute, Federal Research Institute for Rural Areas, Forestry and Fisheries, Germany*

**Norbert Röder**, *Institute of Rural Studies of the Johann Heinrich von Thünen-Institute, Federal Research Institute for Rural Areas, Forestry and Fisheries, Germany*

**Nicolas Schoof**, *Landesanstalt für Umwelt Baden-Württemberg, Germany*

#### Submission No. #176

#### **The development of landscape monitoring methodology. A case from Slovenia.**

**Nadja Penko Seidl**, *Department of Landscape Architecture, Biotechnical Faculty, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia*

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### PS 1.3 - Social Vulnerabilities, Communities, Cultures and Identities

Venue: FCUP – Room FC6 137

Chair: *Helena Pina, CEGOT, University of Porto*

#### Submission No. #122

#### **Recipients or givers? Exploring the roles of older adults in informal support networks in rural Poland**

**Iłona Matysiak**, *Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Maria Grzegorzewska University, Warsaw, Poland*

#### Submission No. #256

#### **Libraries and Cultural Centres in Rural Territories: Physical Geography, Information Access and Education**

**Alexandre Luis Vázquez-Rodríguez**, *Departamento Humanidades, Universidad da Coruña (UDC), Spain*

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### PS 1.4 - Governance and Planning in Rural Areas

Venue: FCUP – Room FC6 140

Chair: *Domingos Lopes, UTAD*

#### Submission No. #65

#### **Tackling rural challenges by unravelling the regional policy mix**

**Peter Meister Broekema**, *Living environment in Transition, Hanze University of Applied Sciences, the Netherlands*

#### Submission No. #64

#### **Knowledge-brokering in UK rural policy delivery: LEADER and Beyond**

**Neslihan Önder-Özen**, *Department of Human Geography, University of Granada, Spain*

**Gary Bosworth**, *Newcastle Business School, Northumbria University, United Kingdom*

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## PS 1.5 - Social and Spatial Inequalities in Rural Areas

Venue: Casa dos Livros – Auditorium Eugénio de Andrade

Chair: *Glória Teixeira, CIJ, University of Porto*

### Submission No. #294

#### **Rural-urban inequalities and the attainment of socioeconomic status. Are rural inhabitants disadvantaged?**

**Josef Bernard**, *Institute of Sociology, Czech Academy of Sciences*

**Matej Martinák**, *Faculty of Science, Charles University, Prague*

### Submission No. #160

#### **Reflections on policy and practice: rural ageing in Slovenia**

**Irma Potocnik Slavic**, *Department of Geography, Faculty of Arts, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia*

**Spela Gustin**, *Municipality of Izola/Isola, Slovenia*

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## PS 1.6 - Social Vulnerabilities, Communities, Cultures and Identities

Venue: Casa dos Livros – Auditorium Albano Martins

Chair: *Yvon le Caro, Université Rennes 2 / Espaces et sociétés (CNRS)*

### Submission No. #60

#### **Rural Movements and Parliaments in Europe as Agents of Social Innovation: Deepening Democracy and Reinventing Identities in Times of Transformation**

**Neslihan Önder-Özen**, *Department of Human Geography, University of Granada, Spain*

**Tobias Federwisch**, *Village Movement Brandenburg, Germany*

**Alistair Adam-Hernández**, *Vechta Institute of Sustainability Transformation in Rural Areas (VISTRA), University of Vechta, Germany*

**Joanna Tamar Storie**, *Institute of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Chair of Landscape Architecture, Estonian University of Life Sciences, Estonia*

### Submission No. #51

#### **What spatial justice for ageing people with disabilities in rural areas? An approach based on social representations**

**Franck Chignier-Riboulon**, *Université Clermont-Auvergne, UMR Territoires, France*

**Mauricette Fournier**, *Université Clermont-Auvergne, UMR Territoires, France*

**Meddy Escuriet**, *Université Clermont-Auvergne, UMR Territoires, France*

**Rayyane M Bark**, *Université Clermont-Auvergne, UMR Territoires, France*

### Submission No. #240

#### **Stay or Leave? Recognizing Key Challenges and Opportunities in Rural Areas in Serbia**

**Milena Panić**, *Geographical Institute "Jovan Cvijić" Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Belgrade, Serbia*

**Marija Drobňaković**, *Geographical Institute "Jovan Cvijić" Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Belgrade, Serbia*

**Vlasta Kokotović Kanazir**, *Geographical Institute "Jovan Cvijić" Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Belgrade, Serbia*

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## Coffee Break - 11:00 – 11:30

## PS 2.1 · Agri-food Systems, Forestry and Circular Economy

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium FC6 029

Chair: *André Samora-Arvela, FLUP, University of Porto*

### Submission No. #89

#### **The Role of *Arbutus unedo* in Early Successional Forestry for Soil Restoration**

Ana Pereira, *Instituto Politécnico de Coimbra, Rua da Misericórdia, Lagar dos Cortiços, S. Martinho do Bispo, 3045-093 Coimbra, Portugal*

José Mateus, *Cooperativa Integral Minga Crl, Rua da Ruinha, Nº 34 7050-087 Montemor-O-Novo*

Maria Vidal, *Instituto Politécnico de Coimbra / CERNAS / CERES, Rua da Misericórdia, Lagar dos Cortiços, S. Martinho do Bispo, 3045-093 Coimbra, Portugal*

João Marcelino, *Instituto Politécnico de Coimbra / CERNAS, Rua da Misericórdia, Lagar dos Cortiços, S. Martinho do Bispo, 3045-093 Coimbra, Portugal*

Filomena Gomes, *Instituto Politécnico de Coimbra, Rua da Misericórdia, Lagar dos Cortiços, S. Martinho do Bispo, 3045-093 Coimbra, Portugal*

### Submission No. #205

#### **Promising Business Models and Social Innovations for the Sustainable Transition of Agri-Food and Forestry Systems**

Christos Politis, *Q-PLAN International, Greece*

Elli Roma-Athanasidou, *Q-PLAN International, Greece*

### Submission No. #245

#### **Continuity of transhumance in Romania: spatiotemporal configuration and drivers of change**

Ilinca-Valentina Stoica, *University of Bucharest, Romania*

David Lucian, *Institute of Ethnography and Folklore, Romanian Academy, Romania*

Virghileanu Marina, *University of Bucharest, Romania*

Daniela Zamfir, *University of Bucharest, Romania*

### Submission No. #87

#### **Drought mitigation, survival results one year after planting, in a field trial with strawberry trees**

Patrícia Santos, *Instituto Politécnico de Coimbra, Rua da Misericórdia, Lagar dos Cortiços, S. Martinho do Bispo, 3045-093 Coimbra, Portugal*

Ana Pereira, *Instituto Politécnico de Coimbra, Rua da Misericórdia, Lagar dos Cortiços, S. Martinho do Bispo, 3045-093 Coimbra, Portugal*

Anne Boulet, *Instituto Politécnico de Coimbra, Rua da Misericórdia, Lagar dos Cortiços, S. Martinho do Bispo, 3045-093 Coimbra, Portugal*

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António Ferreira, *Instituto Politécnico de Coimbra, Rua da Misericórdia, Lagar dos Cortiços, S. Martinho do Bispo, 3045-093 Coimbra, Portugal*

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## PS 2.2 · Climate Transitions and Sustainable Development Goals

Venue: FCUP – Room FC6 137

Chair: *Cristina Ferreira, CETRAD, University of Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro*

### Submission No. #83

#### **Knowledge-co-production on future climate-change-induced natural hazard risks in Alpine regions**

Matthias Buchecker, *Swiss Federal Research Institute WSL, Unit Economics and Social Sciences, CH-8903 Birmensdorf, Switzerland*

Elisabeth Maidl, *Swiss Federal Research Institute WSL, Unit Economics and Social Sciences, CH-8903 Birmensdorf, Switzerland*

Leonora Seiler, *Swiss Federal Research Institute WSL, Unit Economics and Social Sciences, CH-8903 Birmensdorf, Switzerland*

### Submission No. #47

#### **Climate change – an increase of thermal indices in a workplace**

**Paweł Wrona**, *Department of Safety Engineering, Faculty of Mining, Safety Engineering and Industrial Automation, Silesian, University of Technology, 44-100 Gliwice, Poland*

**José Fernandes**, *Department of Geotechnical Engineering, School of Engineering (ISEP), Polytechnic of Porto, Rua Dr. António Bernardino de Almeida, 431, 4249-015, Porto and GeoBioTec|UA, Aveiro, Portugal*

**Submission No. #163**

**REFLORESTA - a POCTEP innovating in the management of forest rural areas with to achieve resilience an sustainable Landscapes: the case study of Alfarela de Jales**

**Domingos Lopes**, *Universidade de Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro, Portugal*

Leonardo Alves, *Universidade de Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro, Portugal*

Manuel Machado, *AguiarFloresta, Portugal*

Marta Roboredo, *Universidade de Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro, Portugal*

Miguel Gil, *Bóreas, Spain*

**Submission No. #307**

**Slope of the terrace embankment matters?**

**Fernando Alves**, *Symington Family Estates, Vinhos SA, Portugal*

Joana Valente, *Symington Family Estates, Vinhos SA, Portugal*

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**PS 2.3 - Social Vulnerabilities, Communities, Cultures and Identities**

Venue: FCUP – Room FC6 140

Chair: *Claudete Moreira, CEGOT, University of Coimbra*

**Submission No. #149**

**Culture-Led Village Revitalisation as a Chinese form of Endogenous Rural Development**

**Yiyang Wang**, *Department of Cultural Geography, Faculty of Spatial Sciences, University of Groningen, Netherlands*

Frank Vanclay, *Department of Cultural Geography, Faculty of Spatial Sciences, University of Groningen, Netherlands*

Philippe Hanna, *Department of Spatial Planning & Environment, Faculty of Spatial Sciences, University of Groningen, Netherlands*

**Submission No. #148**

**Qingtian Project: Socially Engaged Art and Geographical Imagination in rural China**

**Wantong Zhang**, *School of Heritage and Culture*

**Submission No. #112**

**A Sense of Belonging and Comfort, But with Whom? LGBTQ+ Life in the Countryside**

**Zeevik Greenberg**, *Center of Rural Studies Tel-Hai College*

**Submission No. #113**

**“Soil Sanctified by Blood”: Land and Identity in the Narrative of the Rural Space Following the October Massacre**

**Avi Shnider**, *Israel*

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**PS 2.4 - Governance and Planning in Rural Areas**

Venue: Casa dos Livros – Auditorium Eugénio de Andrade

Chair: *Aura Moldovan, Thünen Institute of Rural Studies, Germany*

**Submission No. #279**

**Recycling Intentions versus Practice: A Mixed-Methods Analysis Using Reverse Vending Machines**

**Maria Eduarda Fernandes**, *Polytechnic Institute of Leiria, School of Technology and Management and CARME*

Alcina Ferreira, *Polytechnic Institute of Leiria, School of Technology and Management and CARME*

Lígia Febra, *Polytechnic Institute of Leiria, School of Technology and Management*

Carlos Silva, *Polytechnic Institute of Leiria, School of Technology and Management*

**João Maurício C.**, *CARME - School of Technology and Management*

**Submission No. #220**

**Governing Innovation in Rural Regions: The Case of Lusatia (Germany)**

Leonie Liemich, *TRAWOS-Institute, University of Applied Sciences Zittau/Görlitz, Germany*

**Submission No. #261**

**Rural Community Planning: A Consultative and Participatory Methodology for Decision-Making**

Shane O'Sullivan, *Technological University of the Shannon: Midlands-Midwest*

**Submission No. #262**

**Integrating indigenous knowledge and climate smart agricultural technologies – critical reflections on the impact of collaboration in rural Malawi**

Adwoa Ofori, *School of Agriculture and Food Science, University College Dublin, Ireland*

Karen Keaveney, *School of Agriculture and Food Science, University College Dublin, Ireland*

Miriam Kalanda-Joshua, *Department of Geography, University of Malawi, Malawi*

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**PS 2.5 - Social and Spatial Inequalities in Rural Areas**

Venue: Casa dos Livros – Auditorium Albano Martins

Chair: *Glória Teixeira, CIJ, University of Porto*

**Submission No. #162**

**Emergent Media Narratives on Land Conflicts in a Global Biocultural Diversity Hotspot**

Alberto Anticoli, *Institute of Geographical Sciences, Freie Universität Berlin, Berlin, Germany*

Jonathan von Below, *Instituto de Biología Subtropical, IBS-CONICET, Facultad de Ciencias Forestales, Universidad Nacional de Misiones, Eldorado, Argentina*

Ana Alice Eleuterio, *Instituto Latino-Americano de Arte, Cultura e Historia - ILAACH, Universidade Federal da Integração Latino-Americana, Foz do Iguaçu, Brazil*

Enrico Di Minin, *Department of Geosciences and Geography, University of Helsinki, Helsinki, Finland*

María Piquer-Rodríguez, *Institute of Geographical Sciences, Freie Universität Berlin, Berlin, Germany*

**Submission No. #192**

**Reflecting on rural mobility cultures: practices and policies in rural Germany**

Tobias Weidinger, *Institute of Geography, Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany*

Stefan Kordel, *Institute of Geography, Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany*

**Submission No. #165**

**Gendered Experiences of Gender Equality in Icelandic Rural Communities**

Gréta Bergrún Jóhannesdóttir, *Bifröst University, Iceland*

**Submission No. #81**

**Rural Communities at a Crossroads: how much self-organisation can reasonably be expected?**

Lieselot Vroom, *Department of Cultural Geography, University of Groningen, The Netherlands*

Tialda Haartsen, *Department of Cultural Geography, University of Groningen, The Netherlands*

Jacob Dijkstra, *Department of Sociology, University of Groningen, The Netherlands*

Vincenz Frey, *Department of Sociology, University of Groningen, The Netherlands*

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**PS 2.6 - Rural-Urban Dynamics and Social Transformations**

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium Ferreira da Silva (FC6-030)

Chair: *Felísbelá Martins, Retired Professor at FLUP, University of Porto*

**Submission No. #50**

**Re-attracting young adult leavers: Understanding the design and organisation of rural return initiatives**

Tineke Reitsma, *Faculty of Spatial Sciences, University of Groningen, the Netherlands*

Tialda Haartsen, *Faculty of Spatial Sciences, University of Groningen, the Netherlands*

Bettina Bock, *Faculty of Spatial Sciences, University of Groningen, the Netherlands*

Femke Cnossen, *Faculty of Spatial Sciences, University of Groningen, the Netherlands*

**Submission No. #132**

**Everyday Rural–Urban Interdependencies and Lived Accessibility: Evidence from Peri-Urban and Rural Parishes in Northwestern Portugal**

Beatriz Martins, *FLUP, Portugal*

Pedro Chamusca, *FLUP/CEGOT/CECS, Portugal*

Beatriz Pinto, *CECS, University of Minho, Portugal*

José Rio Fernandes, *FLUP/CEGOT, Portugal*

**Submission No. #48**

**Rural Place Rebranding as a Territorial Renewal Strategy: Insights from Latvia's Rural Periphery**

Zenija Kruzmetra, *Faculty of Economics and Social Development, Latvia University of Life Sciences and Technologies, Latvia*

Ieva Jatniece, *Association "Watermarks", Latvia*

Daina Aluzane, *Association "Community Cooperation Network "The Islands of Selonija", Latvia*

**Submission No. #296**

**Demographic patterns of rural and urban ageing in Portugal and Germany**

Doris Schmied, *Department of Geography, University of Bayreuth, Germany*

Fantina Tedim, *Department of Geography, Faculty of Arts and Humanities, University of Porto, Portugal*

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**PS 2.7 · TOUR&RAIL Workshop**

Venue: FCUP – Room FC6 028

**Presentation and discussion of the Interactive atlas of the tourism and rural territorial development potential of low traffic railways (TOUR&RAIL)**

José Muñoz-Rojas, *Department of Landscape, Environment & Planning & MED research Institute - University of Évora, Portugal*

Paola Hernández, *MED research Institute - University of Évora, Portugal*

Ana Belén Berrocal, *Higher Engineering School of Civil & Territorial Engineering, Universidad Politécnica de Madrid, Spain*

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**Lunch · 13:00 – 14:00**

**Parallel Session 3 · 14:00 – 15:10 · 70 min**

**PS 3.1 · Tourism, Heritage and Creative Economies in Rural Areas**

Venue: FCUP – Room FC6 137

Chair: *Fantina Tedim, CEGOT, University of Porto*

**Submission No. #158**

**Development and Symbiosis of Integrated Beverage Tourism in the Suwa Region, Nagano Prefecture, Japan**

Ryo Iizuka, *Department of Tourism Management, Teikyo University, Japan*

Eranga Ranaweerage, *Department of Tourism Management, Teikyo University, Japan*

Toshio Kikuchi, *Premium College, Tokyo Metropolitan University, Japan*

**Submission No. #147**

**Second homes as more than leisure: Artists' work and relational place-making**

Johan Jansson, *Department of Human Geography, UppRoom University, Sweden*

Dominic Power, *Department of Human Geography, Stockholm University, Sweden*

Andreas Back, *Department of geography, Umeå University, Sweden*

**Submission No. #303**

**Wine Tourism in Poland: From a Niche Phenomenon to an Emerging Component of the National Tourism Market**

### PS 3.2 - Social Vulnerabilities, Communities, Cultures and Identities

Venue: FCUP – Room FC6 140

Chair: André Samora-Arvela, FLUP, University of Porto

#### Submission No. #196

#### Choosing the Rural Periphery: Lifestyle Migration, Livelihood Strategies, and Quality of Life in the Ogasawara Islands, Japan

Lidia Sasaki, *International Center, Tokyo Metropolitan University, Japan*

Eranga Ranaweera, *International Center, Tokyo Metropolitan University, Japan*

#### Submission No. #114

#### An endogenous management of vernacular infrastructure of community centres as territorial capital for milieu shaping

Kadri Kasemets, *Institute of Humanities, Tallinn University, Estonia*

Tarmo Pikner, *Institute of Humanities, Tallinn University, Estonia*

#### Submission No. #91

#### Feminist pathways to rural transformation: innovative practices, knowledges and ways of being

Mireia Baylina, *Department of Geography, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain*

Montserrat Villarino, *Department of Geography, Universidad de Santiago de Compostela*

Maria Dolors Garcia-Ramon, *Department of Geography, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain*

Isabel Roommaña, *Department of Geography, Universitat de Girona, Spain*

Maria Josefa Mosteiro; Ana Maria Porto;, *Department of Research Methods, Universidad de Santiago de Compostela, Spain; Universidad de Santiago de Compostela*

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### PS 3.3 - Governance and Planning in Rural Areas

Venue: Casa dos Livros – Auditorium Eugénio de Andrade

Chair: José Luís Braga, CIDI, European Institute of Higher Education of Fafe

#### Submission No. #266

#### Multi-level cases of community-led land tenure and governance initiatives in rural Scotland

Naomi Beingessner, *Social, Economic and Geographical Sciences, The James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom*

Lorna Pate, *Scotland's Rural College, United Kingdom*

James Glendinning, *Scotland's Rural College, United Kingdom*

Carey Doyle, *Scotland's Rural College, United Kingdom*

Fiona Bender, *Social, Economic and Geographical Sciences, The James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom*

#### Submission No. #135

#### The municipalities of Galera and Gor (Spain). Study cases of strategies tackling depopulation at the local level

Francisco Navarro-Valverde, *Department of Human Geography, University of Granada, Spain*

Miguel Ángel García-Arias, *Department of Engineering, University of Almería, Spain*

Eugenio Cejudo-García, *Department of Human Geography, University of Granada, Spain*

Jesús Cárcelos-Domene, *Department of Human Geography, University of Granada, Spain*

José Antonio Cañete-Pérez, *Department of Human Geography, University of Granada, Spain*

#### Submission No. #119

#### Local governance: outside perspectives about openness and functionality of governance arrangements

Kim Pollermann, *Thünen Institute (Institute of rural studies)*

Lynn-Livia Fynn, *Thünen Institute (Institute of rural studies)*

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## PS 3.4 · Social and Spatial Inequalities and Rural Transformations

Venue: Casa dos Livros – Auditorium Albano Martins

Chair: *Célia Taborda, University Lusófona*

### Submission No. #243

#### How Does Peripherality Shape Rurality? Insights From Serbia

**Marija Drobnjaković**, *Geographical Institute “Jovan Cvijić” Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Belgrade, Serbia*  
**Annett Steinführer**, *Johann Heinrich von Thünen Institute Institute of Rural Studies, Braunschweig, Germany*  
**Vlasta Kokotović Kanazir**, *Geographical Institute “Jovan Cvijić” Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Belgrade, Serbia*  
**Milena Panić**, *Geographical Institute “Jovan Cvijić” Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Belgrade, Serbia*

### Submission No. #257

#### A next level of rural facility decline in the Netherlands?

**Tialda Haartsen**, *University of Groningen, The Netherlands*  
**Anne Mombarg**, *University of Groningen, The Netherlands*

### Submission No. #247

#### How to fight loneliness... Women’s organisations in rural areas in Poland as actors supporting local communities tackled by loneliness

**Katarzyna Dębska**, *Faculty of Sociology, University of Warsaw, Poland*

### Submission No. #280

#### Roles and networks of key actors in land use management: insights from case studies

**Danka Moravčíková**, *Institute of Marketing, Trade and Social Studies, Faculty of Economics and Management, Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra*  
**Martina Hanová**, *Institute of Statistics, Operation Research and Mathematics, Faculty of Economics and Management, Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra*  
**Hana Zach**, *Administration - Office of Project and Transfer Activities, Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra*  
**Filip Tkáč**, *University Counselling and Support Centre, Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra*

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## PS 3.5 · Rural–Urban Dynamics

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium Ferreira da Silva (FC6-030)

Chair: *Felisbela Martins, Retired Professor at FLUP, University of Porto*

### Submission No. #215

#### Rural-urban relations: the socio-cultural effect of rural museums

**Charlotte Oosterhuis**, *Cultural Geography, University of Groningen, the Netherlands*  
**Tialda Haartsen**, *Cultural Geography, University of Groningen, the Netherlands*  
**Koen Salemink**, *Cultural Geography, University of Groningen, the Netherlands*

### Submission No. #78

#### Satoyama as Third Places: Promoting Sustainable Interactions Between Urban and Rural Areas

**Eranga Ranaweera**, *Department of Tourism Science, Tokyo Metropolitan University, Japan*  
**Ryo Iizuka**, *Department of Tourism Management, Teikyo University, Japan*  
**Toshio Kikuchi**, *Premium College, Tokyo Metropolitan University, Japan*

### Submission No. #306

#### Leveraging Cultural Heritage for the Regeneration of Derelict sites in Rural Slovenia

**Barbara Lampič**, *Department of geography, Faculty of Arts, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia*  
**Lea Rebernik**, *Department of geography, Faculty of Arts, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia*

### Submission No. #67

#### Land Use and Land Cover Changes as Indicators of Rural Transformation in the Post-Mining Landscape of the “Adamów” Lignite Mine, Central Poland

**Marta Nalej**, *Faculty of Geographical Sciences University of Lodz*  
**Joanna Petera-Zganiacz**, *Faculty of Geographical Sciences University of Lodz*  
**Danuta Dzieduszyńska**, *Faculty of Geographical Sciences University of Lodz*  
**Ewa Szafrńska**, *Faculty of Geographical Sciences University of Lodz*

### PS 3.6 - Changes, New Methods and Digital Innovation in Rural Areas

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium FC6-029

Chair: Hossein Azadi, University of Ghent, Belgium

#### Submission No. #100

##### Rural functions and digital transition: lessons from western England

Daniel Keech, Countryside and Community Research Institute, University of Gloucestershire, United Kingdom

Katarina Kubinakova, Countryside and Community Research Institute, University of Gloucestershire, United Kingdom

Aimee Morse, Countryside and Community Research Institute, University of Gloucestershire, United Kingdom

Demelza Jones, Countryside and Community Research Institute, University of Gloucestershire, United Kingdom

#### Submission No. #211

##### Who Enables Change? Beyond bottom-up to multi-level governance in rural living labs

Margaret Currie, Social Economic and Geographical Sciences Department, James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom

Ruth Wilson, Social Economic and Geographical Sciences Department, James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom

Christina Noble, Social Economic and Geographical Sciences Department, James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom

Jack Rendall, Social Economic and Geographical Sciences Department, James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom

Sophie Miller, Social Economic and Geographical Sciences Department, James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom

#### Submission No. #70

##### Mapping Agricultural Digitalisation in the European Union

M Mar Delgado-Serrano, Agriculture Economics, Universidad de Cordoba, Spain

Antonio R. Hurtado, Agriculture Economics, Universidad de Cordoba, Spain

### Parallel Session 4 - 15:20 – 16:40 - 80 min

### PS 4.1 - Tourism, Heritage and Creative Economies in Rural Areas

Venue: FCUP – Room FC6 140

Chair: Paula Remoaldo, Lab2PT, University of Minho

#### Submission No. #285

##### Food Artisan Entrepreneurs in shrinking rural areas of Spain: Between place constraints and survival strategies

Néstor Vercher Savall, Dept. of Applied Economics, University of Valencia, Spain

Pilar Pau Cruzans, Research Institute for Local Development, University of Valencia, Spain

Jaime Escribano Pizarro, Dept. of Geography, University of Valencia, Spain

#### Submission No. #166

##### Are living arts festivals local events ? The challenges of festival's local involvement in French rural areas.

Sixtine Leroux, Geography ; EHESS, LER ; France

#### Submission No. #297

##### Mosaic Fest: a creative tourism project based on Roman heritage in cross-border rural areas.

Humberto Figueiredo, CEGOT – Universidade de Coimbra, Portugal

Claudete Moreira, Departamento de Geografia e Turismo, Faculdade de Letras da Universidade de Coimbra, Portugal

Jorge C. S. Cardoso, Departamento de Engenharia Informática, Faculdade de Ciências e Tecnologia da Universidade de Coimbra, Portugal

### PS 4.2 - Social Vulnerabilities, Communities, Cultures and Identities

Venue: Casa dos Livros – Auditorium Eugénio de Andrade

Chair: Annett Steinführer, Thünen Institute of Rural Studies, Germany

#### Submission No. #99

##### Associativism in the Rural World: The Case of the 2017 Fires in Portugal

**Submission No. #108**

**Negotiating Local Community Identity Narratives through Intangible Cultural Heritage in the Context of Administrative and Territorial Reform: The Case of historical land of Selonia**

Lolita Ozoliona, *Institute of Culture and Arts of the Latvian Academy of Culture*

**Submission No. #43**

**Beyond Incentives: Professional Identity, Reflexive Agency, and Resilience in Rural Healthcare**

Dina Bite, *Riga Stradiņš University, Latvia*

**Submission No. #109**

**Socio-Cultural Influences on Innovation and Technology Adoption in Family Farming**

George CURRY, *Design & Built Environment, Curtin University, Australia*

Gina KOCZBERSKI, *Design & Built Environment, Curtin University, Australia*

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**PS 4.3 · Changes in Rural Areas Facing New Challenges**

Venue: Casa dos Livros – Auditorium Albano Martins

Chair: *Mary Cawley, National University of Galway, Ireland*

**Submission No. #180**

**Delivering Futures: Stakeholder Visions for Rural Scotland**

Paula Duffy, *Geography & Environment, School of Geosciences, University of Aberdeen*

Lorna Philip, *Geography & Environment, School of Geosciences, University of Aberdeen*

**Submission No. #283**

**Changes in rural areas: analyzing the trajectories of fragile rural spaces**

Fournier Loïc, *Geography, University Toulouse Jean Jaurès, France*

**Submission No. #161**

**(In)security in rural areas in the context of depopulation: evidence and challenges. Spain 2016-2024**

Eugenio Cejudo García, *Human Geography, University of Granada, Spain*

Francisco Antonio Navarro Valverde, *Human Geography, University of Granada, Spain*

José Antonio Cañete Pérez, *Human Geography, University of Granada, Spain*

Alberto Capote Lama, *Human Geography, University of Granada, Spain*

**Submission No. #38**

**Green Care Farms in Rural Areas as a Form of Entrepreneurship for an Ageing Population**

Wioletta Knapik, *Faculty of Agriculture and Economics, Hugo Kołłątaj University of Agriculture in Krakow, Poland*

Katarzyna Zajda, *Department of Rural and Urban Studies and Sociology of Social Change, University of Lodz, Poland*

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**PS 4.4 · New Theory and Methods in Rural Research**

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium Ferreira da Silva (FC6-030)

Chair: *Felísbela Martins, Retired Professor at FLUP, University of Porto*

**Submission No. #177**

**When Rural Spain Becomes Visible: Media Coverage, Spatial Narratives and Depopulation (1996–2024)**

Jaume Pla-Bañuls, *Geography Department, University of Valencia, Spain*

Javier Esparcia Pérez, *Geography Department, University of Valencia, Spain*

**Submission No. #212**

**Negotiating the Everyday Ethics of Rural Living Labs: Participation, Power and Practice**

Ruth Wilson, *Social Economic and Geographical Sciences Department, James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom*

Christina Noble, *Social Economic and Geographical Sciences Department, James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom*

Margaret Currie, *Social Economic and Geographical Sciences Department, James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom*

Jack Rendall, *Social Economic and Geographical Sciences Department, James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom*  
Sophie Miller, *Social Economic and Geographical Sciences Department, James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom*

**Submission No. #300**

**Green Infrastructure and Tourism Diversification in Coastal-Rural Territories: A Participatory Model for Regional Resilience in Mediterranean Regions**

**André Samora-Arvela**, *Information Sciences, Technologies and Architecture Research Centre (ISTAR-Iscte), Portugal*  
Jorge Ferreira, *Interdisciplinary Centre of Social Sciences (CICS.NOVA), Portugal*  
Helena Pina, *Centre of Studies in Geography and Spatial Planning (CEGOT), Portugal*

**Submission No. #150**

**Emotional Mapping in Place: Capturing rich qualitative experiences in a community-owned woodland**

**Claire Hardy**, *James Hutton, Institute, SEGS, Scotland, United Kingdom*  
Sharon Flanigan, *James Hutton, Institute, SEGS, Scotland, United Kingdom*  
Raynae Dumpfrey, *James Hutton, Institute, SEGS, Scotland, United Kingdom*  
Leanne Townsend, *James Hutton, Institute, SEGS, Scotland, United Kingdom*

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**PS 4.5 - Digital Transition, Innovation and Rural Infrastructures**

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium FC6 029

Chair: *Cristina Ferreira, CETRAD, University of Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro*

**Submission No. #28**

**Social Innovation and Digital Transition in Smart Villages in Poland.**

**Katarzyna Zajda**, *Department of Rural and Urban Studies and Sociology of Social Change, University of Lodz, Center of Social Innovation of the University of Lodz, Poland*  
Wioletta Knapik, *Faculty of Agriculture and Economics, Hugo Kołłątaj University of Agriculture in Krakow, Observatory of Development and Cultural Heritage of Regions of the Hugo Kołłątaj University of Agriculture in Krakow, Poland*

**Submission No. #299**

**Bridging the digital divide in rural areas through co-creation: evidence from the GUARDIANS project**

**Angela Freitas**, *SHINE 2Europe, Lda.; CEGOT, Universidade de Coimbra, Coimbra, Portugal*  
Natália Machado, *SHINE 2Europe, Lda, Coimbra, Portugal*  
Carina Dantas, *SHINE 2Europe, Lda, Coimbra; ICBAS, Universidade do Porto, Porto, Portugal*  
Emilio Terenes, *CTIC Centro Tecnológico, Gijón, Asturias, Spain*  
Inés Dintén, *CTIC Centro Tecnológico, Gijón, Asturias, Spain*

**Submission No. #289**

**Smart rural governance: barriers, drivers and enabling conditions**

**Janne Sinerma**, *European Association for Innovation in Local Development, Belgium*  
Maria Alonso Roldan, *European Association for Innovation in Local Development, Belgium*  
Serafin Pazos-Vidal, *European Association for Innovation in Local Development, Belgium*

**Submission No. #26**

**SmartStores in rural regions of Germany—qualitative studies on new forms of food supply operations**

**Ulrich Juergens**, *Department of Geography, University of Kiel, Germany*

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**PS 4.6 - Governance and Planning in Rural Areas**

Venue: FCUP – Room FC6 137

Chair: *Aura Moldovan, Thünen Institute of Rural Studies, Germany*

**Submission No. #217**

**Fiscal Intelligence and Forest Equalization: A New Governance Model for Resilience and Environmental Justice in Rural Areas**

**Ricardo Almendra**, *Geoatributo Lda.*  
Domingos Lopes, *UTAD*  
Andreia Mota, *Geoatributo Lda.*

**Submission No. #182**

**Planning and governing estate villages in England and Hungary with specific focus on housing**  
György Mikle, *ELTE CERS Institute for Regional Studies*

**Submission No. #41**

**Trash houses and dead meat statistics: A continuum perspective on second homes and abandoned rural housing**

Andreas Back, *Department of Geography, Umeå University, Sweden*

Gijsbert Hoogendoorn, *Department of Geography, Environmental Management and Energy Studies, University of Johannesburg, South Africa*

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**PS 4.7 - Sustainable Development Goals and Synergies for Rural Areas**

Venue: FCUP – Room FC6 028

Chair: *Domingos Lopes, UTAD*

**Submission No. #293**

**Facilitating local community research partnerships through sustainability focussed governance and local partnership: addressing diverse challenges of rural wellbeing and social inclusion**

Eifiona Thomas Lane, *Prifysgol Bangor University, Geography, Wales, United Kingdom*

Owain Lewis, *Together Forward&Aber Uni, Cymru, UK*

Jessie Buchanan, *Together Forward, Cymru UK*

Amy Nicholass, *Together Forward*

**Submission No. #213**

**Different Contexts, Shared Struggles: A Comparative Analysis of Barriers Facing Women in Agriculture across the Global North and South**

Hannah Budge, *The James Hutton Institute*

Cynthia Olumba, *Cranfield University*

**Submission No. #208**

**Agriculture and sustainability in Brazil: Challenges and perspectives from distinct realities**

Leandro Dias de Oliveira, *Federal Rural University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil*

Victor Tinoco Souza, *Ministry of Agrarian Development and Family Farming, Brazil*

Norma da Silva Rocha Maciel, *Federal Rural University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil*

Erick Ribeiro Magalhães Portes, *Federal Rural University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil*

**Submission No. #325**

**Bridging Culture and Tourism: Participatory Approach and Integrated Strategies for Territorial Development in Low-Density European Regions**

Claudete Moreira, *University of Coimbra, CEGOT, Faculty of Arts and Humanities*

Luís Silveira, *University of Coimbra, CEGOT, Faculty of Arts and Humanities*

Paulo Carvalho, *University of Coimbra, CEGOT, Faculty of Arts and Humanities*

Mansour Ghanian, *University of Coimbra, CEGOT, Faculty of Arts and Humanities*

Rui Ferreira, *University of Coimbra, CEGOT, Faculty of Arts and Humanities*

Tiago Santos, *University of Coimbra, CEGOT, Faculty of Arts and Humanities*

**Granting of São João Best Wishes - 16:40 – 17:10**

Venue: FCUP - FC06 Entrance

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**São João Night - Evening**

Day at leisure

- Rabelo Boats Regatta – Douro River

Start (scheduled): 11h30m, Cabedelo

Accessible view on both banks of the Douro River, between Arrábida and D. Luís I Bridges

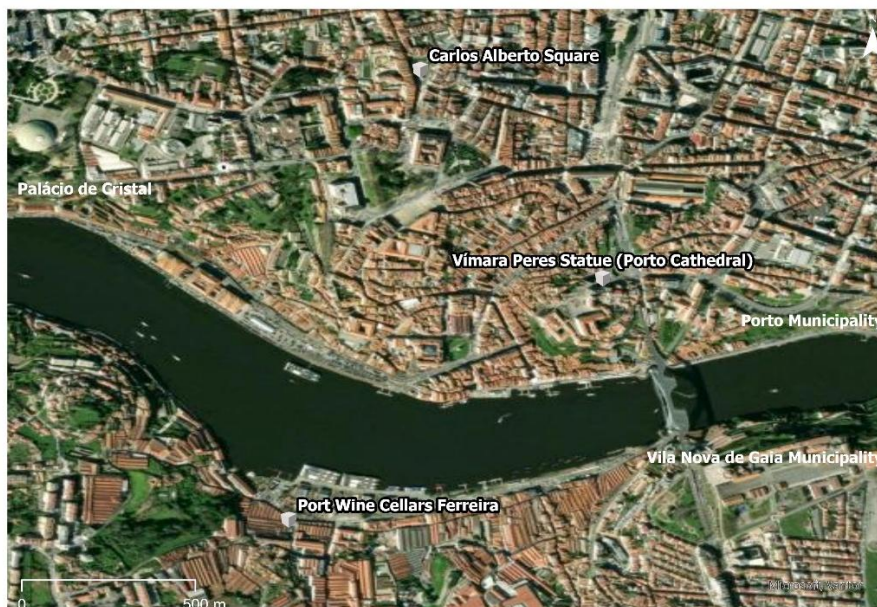


*Rabelo Boat Regatta, 2025 (Source: Confraria do Vinho do Porto)*

The Rabelo Boat Regatta is a tradition associated with the São João festivities in the city of Porto. Originally, Rabelo boats were used to transport wine barrels from the Douro Region to the Cellars of Vila Nova de Gaia, but were later replaced by tanker trucks. Currently, the regatta has a primarily cultural and tourist character, bringing together the Rabelo boats of the main Port Wine Exporting Companies. It takes place on the Douro River, between Cabedelo and the Dom Luís I Bridge, a way of valuing the river heritage associated with the Douro region and the cultural identity of Porto. In 2026, the start is scheduled for around 12h00m.

Options (after lunch):

1 – Afternoon at leiseure



OR

## 2 – Visit to the Port Wine Cellars

**Address:** Av. de Ramos Pinto 70, 4400-082, Vila Nova de Gaia.

**Location:** <https://maps.app.goo.gl/kJt2XPfgN4gCTVrd7>

**Group 2.1 – 16h15m (up to 30 participants)**

**Group 2.2 – 16h30m (up to 30 participants)**



*Caves Ferreira, Vila Nova de Gaia (Source: A. A. Ferreira S.A. Archive)*

The Port Wine Cellars, an important historical, economic, and cultural heritage site that connects the Douro region with Vila Nova de Gaia, play a crucial role in the aging and preservation process of Port Wine.

Among the most important companies, A.A. Ferreira S.A. stands out, founded in 1751 and internationally recognised for the quality and tradition of its wines. In addition to the economic impact, these cellars represent an important tourist and cultural centre, which enables the preservation and appreciation of the identity and history of Port Wine.

**OR**

## 3 – Guided tours of Porto's Historic Centre

### Field 3.1 – 15h30m (up to 40 participants)

Meeting point: Praça Carlos Alberto (near the Rectorate of the University of Porto).

Location: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/5wm5gVAuS8ZUkTxA6>

### Hidden Porto: Medieval Walls, the Jewish Quarter and the City's Finest Views

Coordinator: Jorge Ricardo Pinto — ISCET / CEGOT



*Panoramic view of Porto obtained from the Virtudes Viewpoint (Photo by the author)*

This itinerary explores a quieter side of Porto's historic centre, where medieval memory, Renaissance interventions and remarkable viewpoints coexist. Beginning in Carlos Alberto Square, an area associated with the city's expansion during the 18th and 19th centuries, the walk gradually enters the older quarters of Porto.

Participants will discover traces of the former Jewish quarter, fragments of the 14th-century Wall, and historic areas shaped during the Renaissance and Early Modern periods, particularly around São João Novo and Miragaia.

The route also includes two of Porto's finest viewpoints (Vitória and Virtudes) offering panoramic views over the Douro River and the historic skyline. More than a conventional historical tour, this walk invites participants to experience Porto through hidden perspectives and layered urban landscapes.

Suggested itinerary (brief): Carlos Alberto Square → Cordoaria → Vitória Viewpoint → Virtudes → São João Novo → Miragaia

OR

### Field 3.2 – 15h30m (up to 40 participants)

Meeting point- at the Statue of Vimara Peres, located beside Porto Cathedral.

Location: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/yNDe91KrRmMLVHoC8>

### A guided stroll along the Vila River and further afield

Coordinator: José Luís Braga — (CIDI, EIHE of Fafe)

*Porto Cathedral (Source: photo by the author)*



Welcome to the historic heart of Porto. This guided walking tour begins at the city's iconic cathedral and takes you through some of Porto's most emblematic streets, squares, and riverside areas.

#### Tour Highlights:

- Porto Cathedral
- São Bento Railway Station
- Rua das Flores
- Praça de São Domingos
- Infante Dom Henrique Square
- Ribeira

Discover the rich history, architecture, and atmosphere of Porto on this walking tour through the city's medieval and riverside quarters. From the imposing cathedral and the famous tile panels of São Bento Station to the lively Ribeira waterfront, the route reveals the cultural and commercial heritage that shaped Porto over the centuries.

Stroll along the charming Rua das Flores, explore historic squares linked to trade and navigation, and enjoy panoramic views over the Douro River while learning about Porto's traditions, people, and UNESCO-listed heritage.

Poster Exhibition · FCUP – Room FC6 028

Reception of Participants · 08:30 – 09:00

Keynote Plenary Sessions · 09:00 – 10:00

**Rural Spatial Justice and Planetary Rural Geographies: From Critique to Practice**

Prof. Dr. Michael Woods, *Aberystwyth University, UK*

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium Ferreira da Silva (FC6-030)

Chair: *Tialda Haartsen, University of Groningen, Netherlands*

**The Clash over Land: From Land Conflict to Land Dialogue**

Prof. Dr. Hossein Azadi, *Ghent University, Belgium*

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium FC6 029

Chair: *Claudete Moreira, CEGOT, University of Coimbra*

Parallel Session 5 · 10:10 – 11:00 · 50 min

**PS 5.1 · Agri-food Systems, Forestry and Circular Economy**

Venue: Casa dos Livros – Auditorium Albano Martins

Chair: *André Samora-Arvela, FLUP*

**Submission No. #221**

**Assessing methodologies for engaging stakeholders in building an agroecological regional food system in Portugal's Oeste region**

*Luís Duarte, MED, University of Évora, Portugal*

*José Muñoz-Rojas, MED, DPAO, University of Évora, Portugal*

*Octávio Sacramento, CETRAD, UTAD, Portugal*

*María Rivera Méndez, MED, University of Évora, Portugal*

**Submission No. #138**

**Gendered social networks of knowledge, work and emotional support in extensive livestock management communities of Catalan Pyrenees (NE of Spain).**

*Federica Ravera, University of Girona*

*Christina Prell*

**PS 5.2 · Climate Transitions, Landscapes and Environment**

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium Ferreira da Silva (FC6-030)

Chair: *Paula Remoaldo, Lab2PT, University of Minho*

**Submission No. #105**

**How Humans Shaped Two World Heritage Wine Regions Under Extreme Conditions: Douro and Champagne as Models of Rural Sustainability and Innovation**

*Jorge Queiroz, Portugal Faculty of Sciences, University of Porto (FCUP), GreenUPorto/Inov4Agro & DGAOT, Campus de Vairão, Rua da Agrária 747, 4485-646 Vairão, Portugal*

*Anabela Carneiro, Faculty of Sciences, University of Porto (FCUP), GreenUPorto/Inov4Agro & DGAOT, Campus de Vairão, Rua da Agrária 747, 4485-646 Vairão, Portugal*

**Submission No. #121**

**New Rural Landscapes? Location determinants and land use conflicts in solar power plant deployment**

*André Alves, IGOT, University of Lisbon, Portugal*

*Eduarda Marques da Costa, IGOT, University of Lisbon, Portugal*

*Eduardo Gomes, IGOT, University of Lisbon, Portugal*

### PS 5.3 - Social Vulnerabilities, Communities, Cultures and Identities

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium FC6 029

Chair: *Annett Steinführer, Thünen Institute of Rural Studies, Germany*

#### Submission No. #179

#### **Arctic Knows: empowering Coastal, Local, and Indigenous Communities?**

**Marco Eimermann**, *Department of Geography, Umeå University, Sweden*

**Linda Lundmark**, *Department of Geography, Umeå University, Sweden*

#### Submission No. #189

#### **Vulnerabilities and Local Capacities for Action: Analysing Rural Transformations through the Fight Against Intimate Partner Violence in France**

**Boisgontier Margaux**, *Unité Mixte de Recherche "Espaces et sociétés" (ESO) - Université de Caen Normandie France*

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### PS 5.4 - Governance and Planning in Rural Areas

Venue: FCUP – Room FC6 137

Chair: *José Luís Braga, CIDI, European Institute of Higher Education of Fafe*

#### Submission No. #71

#### **Municipal Resilience Governance: Strategies and Challenges in the MCR2030 Campaign**

**Luís Ferreira**, *ISEC Lisboa, Portugal*

**Ana Paula Oliveira**, *ISEC Lisboa, Portugal*

#### Submission No. #107

#### **Rural participatory governance during an ongoing crisis**

**Justin Richardson**, *Research center of built environment, Hanze University of Applied Sciences, The Netherlands*

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### PS 5.5 - Social and Spatial Inequalities in Rural Areas

Venue: FCUP – Room FC6 140

Chair: *Yvon le Caro, Université Rennes 2 / Espaces et sociétés (CNRS)*

#### Submission No. #164

#### **Just energy transition in rural areas: a comparative perspective from Poland and Scotland**

**Agata Lewandowska**, *Doctoral School of Social Sciences, Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń, Poland*

**Justyna Chodkowska-Miszczuk**, *Institute of Social and Economic Geography and Spatial Management, University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland*

**Piotr Niewiadomski**, *School of Geosciences, Department of Geography and Environment, University of Aberdeen, Scotland*

#### Submission No. #156

#### **Strengthening rural healthcare through medical education - insights from the MiLaMed project in Germany**

**Tobias Deutsch**, *Institute for General Practice, University of Leipzig, Germany*

**Anne-Kathrin Geier**, *Institute for General Practice, University of Leipzig, Germany*

**Stephanie Sauer**, *Institute for General Practice, University of Leipzig, Germany*

**Thomas Frese**, *Institute of General Practice and Family Medicine, Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, Germany*

**Markus Bleckwenn**, *Institute for General Practice, University of Leipzig, Germany*

## PS 5.6 · Agri-food Systems, Forestry and Circular Economy

Venue: Casa dos Livros – Auditorium Eugénio de Andrade

Chair: *Lívia Madureira, CETRAD, University of Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro*

### Submission No. #265

#### **Facilitating Food System Transitions: A Case Study of Capacity-Building Among Young Food Actors**

**Mikelis Grivins**, *Rīga Stradins University*

**Ilze Mileiko**, *Rīga Stradins University*

### Submission No. #268

#### **What Makes Craft Soda Authentic? Lessons from the Polish Natural Soda Production**

**Michał Męczyński**, *Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań, Poland*

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## Coffee Break · 11:00 – 11:30

## Parallel Sessions 6 · 11:30 – 13:00 · 90 min

## PS 6.1 · Agri-food Systems, Forestry and Circular Economy

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium Ferreira da Silva (FC6-030)

Chair: *Helena Pina, CEGOT, University of Porto*

### Submission No. #178

#### **Multifunctional Agricultural Buildings and the Reterritorialisation of Agriculture: Towards a New Paradigm of Farm Restructuring? Insights from Three Rural Territories in Occitanie (Southern France)**

**Orlane Rouquier**, *UMR LISST, Université Toulouse Jean Jaurès, France*

**Coline Perrin**, *UMR INNOVATION, INRAE, France*

**Michaël Pouzenc**, *UMR LISST, Université Toulouse Jean Jaurès, France*

### Submission No. #310

#### **Food Choices as Everyday Practice: Culture, Habit, and Identity Explored through Participatory Action Research**

**Sara van de Lustgraaf**, *Professorship Living Environment in Transition, research center for built environment NoorderRuimte Groningen, The Netherlands*

### Submission No. #309

#### **When agri-food chains fail: emergencies, logistics, and spatial-temporal maneuvers**

**Shu-Wei Kuo**, *Graduate Institute of Building and Planning, National Taiwan University*

**Chi-Mao Wang**, *Department of Bio-Industry Communication and Development, National Taiwan University*

### Submission No. #72

#### **Role of Protected Denominations of Origin in the resilience of Dehesas ecosystems**

**Antonio Fernandez Ranchal**, *Agricultural Economics, Universidad de Cordoba (Spain)*

**M Mar Delgado-Serrano**, *Agriculture Economics, Universidad de Cordoba, Spain*

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## PS 6.2 · Climate Transitions and Sustainable Development Goals

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium FC6 029

Chair: *Jorge Queiroz, GreenUPorto, University of Porto*

### Submission No. #298

#### **Negotiating a Changing Sea: Ecological Uncertainty and Coastal Rural Food Practices in Latvia**

**Janis Sabanovs**, *Faculty of Social Sciences, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia*

### Submission No. #144

## **Synergies between Water, Energy and Sustainable Development Goals in Rural Agrotourism: A Collaborative Case Study**

**Cristina Calheiros**, *IIMAR/CIMAR LA, Interdisciplinary Centre of Marine and Environmental Research, University of Porto, Portugal*

### **Submission No. #76**

#### **Rewilding, commoditization and anti-speciesism : the post-neolithic convergence that challenges the agroecological perspective**

**Yvon Le Caro**, *Université Rennes 2 / Espaces et sociétés (CNRS)*

### **Submission No. #185**

#### **Studying Future Imaginaries of Landscape Change in Energy Transitions: Place Attachment, Heritage and Future Storytelling**

**Costanza Concetti**, *Politics and International Relations, University of Aberdeen, UK*

**Paula Duffy**, *Geography & Environment, University of Aberdeen, UK*

**Jo Vergunst**, *Anthropology, University of Aberdeen, UK*

**David Toke**, *Politics and International Relations, University of Aberdeen, UK*

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## **PS 6.3 - Social Vulnerabilities, Communities, Cultures, and Identities**

**Venue:** FCUP – Room FC6 137

**Chair:** *Fantina Tedim, CEGOT, University of Porto*

### **Submission No. #188**

#### **The Tensions of In-Migration and Cultural Continuity: challenging ‘the way things work’ in rural Scotland**

**Jack Rendall**, *Social, Economic and Geographical Sciences, The James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom*

**Sophie Miller**, *Social, Economic and Geographical Sciences, The James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom*

**Ruth Wilson**, *Social, Economic and Geographical Sciences, The James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom*

**Christina Noble**, *Social, Economic and Geographical Sciences, The James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom*

**Margaret Currie**, *Social, Economic and Geographical Sciences, The James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom*

### **Submission No. #236**

#### **Rural Revitalisation and the Role of the ‘Ideal Migrant’**

**Ruth Wilson**, *Social, Economic and Geographical Sciences, James Hutton Institute, Scotland*

**Laura Hodsdon**, *Centre for Heritage, Culture and Society, Falmouth University, UK*

### **Submission No. #200**

#### **Distrust as a regional barrier to civic participation**

**André Knabe**, *Rostock Institute for Social Research and Social Practice (ROSIS), Germany*

**Annalena Uhlerr**, *Rostock Institute for Social Research and Social Practice (ROSIS), Germany*

**Lorena Elser**, *Rostock Institute for Social Research and Social Practice (ROSIS), Germany*

**Judith Kiesow**, *Rostock Institute for Social Research and Social Practice (ROSIS), Germany*

**Melanie Rühmling**, *Rostock Institute for Social Research and Social Practice (ROSIS), Germany*

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## **PS 6.4 - Governance and Planning in Rural Areas**

**Venue:** FCUP – Room FC6 140

**Chair:** *André Samora-Arvela, FLUP, University of Porto*

### **Submission No. #103**

#### **Beyond “Company + Farmers”: Multi-Actor Governance and Territorial Development in China’s Livestock Contracting Regime**

**Dongmiao Hu**, *Sociology department, Jilin University, China*

### **Submission No. #244**

## **Institutional Weakness in Transnational Forest Governance: Comparative Insights from the Alto Paraná Atlantic Forest**

**Julián Daniel Mijailoff**, *Modelling Human-Environmental Interactions Group, Institute of Geography, Freie Universität Berlin*  
**Montti, Lía**, *Modelling Human-Environmental Interactions Group, Institute of Geography, Freie Universität Berlin*  
**Gasparri, Nestor Ignacio**, *Instituto de Ecología Regional (Universidad Nacional de Tucumán-CONICET), Argentina*  
**Piquer-Rodríguez, María**, *Modelling Human-Environmental Interactions Group, Institute of Geography, Freie Universität Berlin*

### **Submission No. #173**

#### **A fair land rent? The landowners' actions to influence the local implementation of the French tenure regulation**

**Adrien Baysse-Lainé**, *Pacte Reseach Centre, CNRS Grenoble, France*  
**Line Haza**, *Pacte Reseach Centre, Univ. Grenoble Alpes, France*  
**Claire Aragau**, *Lab'Urba Research Centre, Paris School of Urbanism, France*  
**Maylis Desrousseaux**, *Lab'Urba Research Centre, Paris School of Urbanism, France*

### **Submission No. #216**

#### **Modernization of Italian Almond sector: a production model between marginal landscape agriculture and super-intensive agriculture.**

**Livia Ortolani**, *CREA Agricultural Policies and Bioeconomics, Italy*  
**Milena Verrascina**, *CREA Agricultural Policies and Bioeconomics, Italy*  
**Silvia Baralla**, *CREA Agricultural Policies and Bioeconomics, Italy*  
**Andrea Forgiione**, *CREA Agricultural Policies and Bioeconomics, Italy*

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## **PS 6.5 · Social and Spatial Inequalities in Rural Areas**

**Venue:** Casa dos Livros – Auditorium Eugénio de Andrade

**Chair:** *Claudete Moreira, CEGOT, University of Coimbra*

### **Submission No. #97**

#### **A just as possible energy transition in Dutch rural municipalities.**

**Korrie Melis**, *HAN university of Applied Sciences*

### **Submission No. #104**

#### **Different Domains, Unequal Values: Community Participation in Rural China**

**Chengxi Liu**, *Faculty of Spatial Sciences, University of Groningen, the Netherlands*  
**Tialda Haartsen**, *Faculty of Spatial Sciences, University of Groningen, the Netherlands*  
**Billie de Haas**, *Faculty of Spatial Sciences, University of Groningen, the Netherlands*  
**Bettina Bock**, *Rural Sociology Group, Wageningen University, the Netherlands*

### **Submission No. #117**

#### **Video Consultations for Rural Medical Care – Potential, Limitations and Contradictions from the Perspective of General Practitioners**

**Tobias Mettenberger**, *Johann Heinrich von Thünen Institute, Thünen-Institute of Rural Studies, Germany*

### **Submission No. #42**

#### **Do we develop thriving rural teachers? An analysis of the General Teaching Council for Scotland's Standards for Provisional Registration**

**William Quirke**, *Strathclyde Institute of Education, University of Strathclyde, Scotland*  
**Kathryn McCrorie**, *Strathclyde Institute of Education, University of Strathclyde, Scotland*

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## PS 6.6 · Governance, Planning and New Methods in Rural Research

Venue: Casa dos Livros – Auditorium Albano Martins

Chair: *Francisco Antonio Navarro Valverde, University of Granada, Spain*

### Submission No. #52

#### **Conceptualizing a Multiple-Helix Framework for Rural Innovation and Governance: Intermediary Organisations as Catalysts for Transformation**

**Alistair Adam Hernández**, *Vechta Institute of Sustainability Transformation in Rural Areas (VISTRA), University of Vechta, Germany*

### Submission No. #172

#### **Diversity of agency of de-peripheralisation processes: evidence from rural Czechia**

**Vladan Hruška**, *Department of Geography, Jan Evangelista Purkyně University in Ústí nad Labem, Czechia*  
**Petr Jíra**, *Department of Geography, Jan Evangelista Purkyně University in Ústí nad Labem, Czechia*

### Submission No. #201

#### **Dynamics of change in tropical subsistence communities – insights from swidden agriculture in Northeast India and Southeast Mexico**

**Lea Sophia Schröder**, *Research Unit Sustainability and Climate Risks, University of Hamburg, Germany*  
**Benjamin Poschlod**, *Research Unit Sustainability and Climate Risks, University of Hamburg, Germany*  
**Santiago López-Ridaura**, *International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center, Mexico*  
**Jelle Van Loon**, *International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center, Mexico*

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**Lunch · 13:00 – 14:00**

**Parallel Sessions 7 · 14:00 – 15:10 · 70 min**

## PS 7.1 · Tourism, Heritage and Creative Economies in Rural Areas

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium FC6 029

Chair: *José Alberto Rio Fernandes, FLUP/CEGOT, University of Porto*

### Submission No. #229

#### **The potential of local products in climate action. The case of rural tourist destinations**

**Xosé A. Armesto-López**, *Department of Geography, University of Barcelona, Spain*  
**M. Belén Gómez-Martín**, *Department of Geography, University of Barcelona, Spain*  
**Martí Cors-Iglesias**, *Department of Geography, University of Barcelona, Spain*

### Submission No. #154

#### **Tourism-induced Gentrification in a Rural Setting: The Case of Svetvinčenat (Croatia)**

**Teodor Macan**, *Department of Geography, Faculty of Science, University of Zagreb, Croatia*

### Submission No. #82

#### **Performing Rurality: Youth (cultures) in peripheral rural areas between hegemonic reproduction and subversive transformation**

**Franziska Imhoff**, *Human Geography, Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt, Germany*

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## PS 7.2 · Social Vulnerabilities, Communities, Cultures and Identities

Venue: FCUP – Room FC6 137

Chair: *Mary Cawley, National University of Galway, Ireland*

### Submission No. #194

#### **Social Spaces in Rural Communities: Mapping (Hidden) Places of Encounter**

**Stefan Kordel**, *Institute of Geography, Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany*

Tobias Weidinger, *Institute of Geography, Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany*

**Submission No. #246**

**Natural Order, Harmonious Community, and Care: Gendered Pathways to Far-Right Appropriations of Socio-Ecological Transformations in Agriculture**

Carla Wember, *Institute for Rural Development Research*  
Marie Reusch, *Justus-Liebig University Gießen*

**Submission No. #191**

**Rethinking Rural Inequalities: Civic Engagement as a Lens for Place-Sensitive Justice**

Anna Erhard, *Cultural Geography, University of Bamberg, Germany*

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**PS 7.3 - Governance and Planning in Rural Areas**

Venue: FCUP – Room FC6 140

Chair: *Helena Pina, CEGOT, FLUP*

**Submission No. #312**

**The challenges facing the CAP for the period 2028-2034**

Jean-François HULOT, *Independent Consultant on Sustainable Agriculture, France*

**Submission No. #137**

**Governing Co-Creation in Rural Living Labs: Designing Accountability and Learning Mechanisms for Inclusive Territorial Governance**

Emili Santos, *Centre for Transdisciplinary Development Studies (CETRAD), University of Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro (UTAD)*

Livia Madureira, *Centre for Transdisciplinary Development Studies (CETRAD), University of Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro (UTAD)*

Anderson Galvão, *Centre for Transdisciplinary Development Studies (CETRAD), University of Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro (UTAD)*

Carmem Leal, *Centre for Transdisciplinary Development Studies (CETRAD), University of Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro (UTAD)*

**Submission No. #321**

**Insights into Tourism Governance in the Municipality of Fafe, Portugal.**

José Luís Braga, *Instituto Europeu de Estudos Superiores*

Lúcia Alves, *Instituto Europeu de Estudos Superiores*

Paula Novais, *Instituto Europeu de Estudos Superiores*

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**PS 7.4 - Social and Spatial Inequalities in Rural Areas**

Venue: Casa dos Livros – Auditorium Eugénio de Andrade

Chair: *Célia Taborda, University Lusófona*

**Submission No. #128**

**Food Access as a Social Process: Women's Lived Experiences of Negotiating Inequalities in Rural Bihar, India**

Shriya Bajaj, *University of Sheffield, UK*

**Submission No. #232**

**Crisis or crises? Rural housing issues in Germany**

Annett Steinführer, *Thünen Institute of Rural Studies and University of Rostock, Germany*

**Submission No. #241**

**Created, initiated and maintained: Rural residents' agency in (re-)producing social infrastructure and participative practices in their villages**

Franziska Lengerer, *Thünen-Institute of Rural Economics*  
Tialda Haartsen, *University of Groningen*  
Annett Steinführer, *Thünen-Institute of Rural Studies*

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**PS 7.5 - Rural–Urban Dynamics**

**Local:** Casa dos Livros – Auditorium Albano Martins

**Chair:** Felisbela Martins, *Retired Professor at FLUP, University of Porto*

**Submission No. #131**

**Rural–Urban Dynamics at the Peri-Urban Fringe: Governance Mismatches and Coordination Pathways in Northwestern Portugal**

Beatriz Pinto, *CECS, University of Minho, Portugal*  
Pedro Chamusca, *FLUP/CEGOT/CECS, Portugal*  
Beatriz Martins, *FLUP, Portugal*  
José Rio Fernandes, *FLUP/CEGOT, Portugal*

**Submission No. #308**

**Postpandemic counterurban migrations in Poland – a mixed-method approach.**

Karol Korczyński, *University of Wrocław*

**Submission No. #290**

**“Newcomers” activity in the opinion of rural residents - on the example of Polish villages**

Jerzy Banski, *Institute of Geography and Spatial Organization, Polish Academy of Sciences, Poland*

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**PS 7.6 - New Methods, Digital Innovation and Rural–Urban Dynamics**

**Venue:** FCUP – Auditorium Ferreira da Silva (FC6-030)

**Chair:** Felisbela Martins, *Retired Professor at FLUP, University of Porto*

**Submission No. #141**

**Operationalising Landscape in Participatory Rural Greening: A Participatory Action Research Approach**

Mark Sekuur, *The Centre of Landscape Studies, University of Groningen, The Netherlands, & Professorship Living Environment in Transition, Research Centre for Built Environment NoorderRuimte, Hanze University of Applied Sciences, The Netherlands*

Hiska Ubels, *Professorship Living Environment in Transition, Research Centre for Built Environment NoorderRuimte, Hanze University of Applied Sciences, The Netherlands*

Theo Spek, *The Centre of Landscape Studies, University of Groningen, The Netherlands*

Elles Bulder, *Professorship Living Environment in Transition, Research Centre for Built Environment NoorderRuimte, Hanze University of Applied Sciences, The Netherlands*

**Submission No. #174**

**Digital use and spatial justice in rural areas**

Nabilla Dina Adharina, *Doctoral Program in Urban and Regional Planning, Institut Teknologi Bandung, Indonesia*  
Fikri Zul Fahmi, *Urban and Regional Planning, Institut Teknologi Bandung, Indonesia*  
Koen Salemink, *University of Groningen*

**Submission No. #259**

**Moving to the “Countryside”: Images of Rural Areas in Residential Mobilities between Urban and Rural Spaces**

Aura Moldovan, *Thünen-Institute of Rural Studies, Germany*

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**PS 8.1 · Tourism, Heritage and Creative Economies in Rural Areas**

Venue: FCUP – Room FC6 137

Chair: *Helena Pina, FLUP, University of Porto*

**Submission No. #77**

**The contribution of pilgrimage routes to heritage enhancement and rural development**

*Andreas Voth, Dept. of Geography, RWTH Aachen University, Germany*

**Submission No. #324**

**Unheard Voices? Women's Challenges and Policy Gaps in Peripheral Labour Markets in CEE**

*Mariia Rastvorova, Department of Geography and Regional Science, University of Graz*

*Jörn Harfst, Department of Geography and Regional Science, University of Graz*

*Simone Kocher, Department of Geography and Regional Science, University of Graz*

**Submission No. #319**

**Agricultural Shows: connecting people, place and emotions**

*Caroline Westwood, Sheffield Hallam University, United Kingdom*

**Submission No. #317**

**Rural landscapes and pilgrims' well-being on the Central Portuguese Way of St. James**

*Leida Tavares da Costa, University of Minho, Lab2PT, Guimarães, Portugal*

*Paula Remoaldo, University of Minho, Lab2PT, Guimarães, Portugal*

*Hélder Lopes, University of Minho, Lab2PT, Guimarães, Portugal*

*Vítor Ribeiro, University of Minho, Lab2PT, Guimarães, Portugal*

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**PS 8.2 · Social Vulnerabilities, Communities, Cultures and Identities**

Venue: FCUP – Room FC6 140

Chair: *Tialda Haartsen, University of Groningen, Netherlands*

**Submission No. #238**

**Net Zero Plus Injustices in Rural Landscape Transitions**

*Martin Phillips, School of Geography, Geology and Environment, University of Leicester, United Kingdom*

**Submission No. #292**

**TERRA.game: Empowering Older Adults in Rural Communities through Circular Economy Education and Participatory Digital Learning**

*Natália Machado, SHINE 2Europe, Lda*

*Carina Dantas, SHINE 2Europe, Lda*

*Luis Dias, SHINE 2Europe, Lda*

*Mónica Sousa, AD ELO - Associação de Desenvolvimento Local da Bairrada e Mondego*

*Mário Fidalgo, AD ELO - Associação de Desenvolvimento Local da Bairrada e Mondego*

**Submission No. #318**

**Rural Migration as a Cross-Temporal Social Structure: The Legitimacy and Intergenerational Reproduction of Rural Staying and Returning in Taiwan**

*Chi Wei Chen, Department of Social Welfare, National Chung Cheng University, Taiwan*

*Tialda Haartsen, Department of Cultural Geography, University of Groningen, the Netherlands*

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### PS 8.3 - Changes in Rural Areas Facing New Challenges

Venue: Casa dos Livros – Auditorium Eugénio de Andrade

Chair: *Glória Teixeira, CIJ, University of Porto*

#### Submission No. #123

##### **Walking where I will over mountain and hill: resurgence of 'right to roam' in England and Wales**

**Keith Halfacree**, *Department of Geography, Swansea University, Singleton Park, Swansea SA2 8PP, UK*

#### Submission No. #323

##### **The consequences of poorly designed population data collection**

**Fiona Haslam McKenzie**, *University of Western Australia*

#### Submission No. #226

##### **When the Landscape Has Not Yet Changed: Anticipation, Solastalgia and Place Attachment in Rural Planning**

**Chantal van der Sluis**, *Faculty of Spatial Sciences, University of Groningen, The Netherlands & Professorship Living Environment in Transition, Research Centre for Built Environment NoorderRuimte, Hanze University of Applied Sciences, The Netherlands*

**Hiska Ubels**, *Professorship Living Environment in Transition, Research Centre for Built Environment NoorderRuimte, Hanze University of Applied Sciences, The Netherlands*

**Bettina Bock**, *Faculty of Spatial Sciences, University of Groningen, The Netherlands*

**Elles Bulder**, *Professorship Living Environment in Transition, Research Centre for Built Environment NoorderRuimte, Hanze University of Applied Sciences, The Netherlands*

#### Submission No. #21

##### **Creativity and Resilience in Small Australian Towns: Case Studies of Rural Music Festivals as Strategies for Revival and Regeneration**

**Shane Hennessy**, *School of Design and the Built Environment, Curtin University, Australia*

**Roy Jones**, *School of Design and the Built Environment, Curtin University, Australia*

**Shaphan Cox**, *School of Design and the Built Environment, Curtin University, Australia*

**Graham Seal**, *School of Media, Creative Arts and Social Inquiry, Curtin University, Australia*

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### PS 8.4 - New Theory and Methods in Rural Research

Venue: Casa dos Livros – Auditorium Albano Martins

Chair: *Célia Taborda, University Lusófona*

#### Submission No. #230

##### **Critical reflections on public policy engagement: approaches to co-design in rural place-based research**

**Karen Keaveney**, *School of Agriculture & Food Science, University College Dublin, Ireland*

**Adwoa Serwaa Ofori**, *School of Agriculture & Food Science, University College Dublin, Ireland*

#### Submission No. #115

##### **Participatory Action Research as instrument for Bridging Experience and Expertise in Context-Sensitive Rural Planning**

**Hiska Ubels**, *Professorship Living Environment in Transition, Hanze University of Applied Sciences, The Netherlands*

#### Submission No. #133

##### **A Methodological Framework to Prioritise Mountain Villages for Rural Revitalisation: Evidence from Aboboreira, Marão and Montemuro (NW Portugal)**

**José Rio Fernandes**, *FLUP/CEGOT, Portugal*

**Pedro Chamusca**, *FLUP/CEGOT/CECS, Portugal*

**Ângela Silva**, *FLUP, Portugal*

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## PS 8.5 - Digital Transition, Innovation and Rural Infrastructures

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium Ferreira da Silva (FC6-030)

Chair: *André Samora-Arvela, FLUP*

### Submission No. #155

#### **Regional Smart Specialization Strategy (RIS3) and Territorial Cohesion: a Systematic Review of the Literature**

Maria João Pessoa, *Centre for Transdisciplinary Development Studies (CETRAD) Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro University (UTAD); mjoaopessoa@gmail.com;*

Lívia Madureira, *Centre for Transdisciplinary Development Studies (CETRAD) Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro University (UTAD)*

### Submission No. #116

#### **A Village in Hubei as a Lens on Family-Based Migration and the Roles of Rural Areas in China**

Zhang Chen, *UMR Territoires, Clermont Auvergne University, France*

Franck Chignier-Riboulon, *UMR Territoires, Clermont Auvergne University, France*

### Submission No. #234

#### **Assembling Digital Ecosystems in Rural Scotland: Innovation and Resilience on Small and Diversified Farms.**

Leanne Townsend, *Social, Economic and Geographical Department (SEGS), James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom*

Niamh Mahon, *Social, Economic and Geographical Department (SEGS), James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom*

Tim Pittaway, *Social, Economic and Geographical Department (SEGS), James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom*

Christina Noble, *Social, Economic and Geographical Department (SEGS), James Hutton Institute, United Kingdom*

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## PS 8.6 - Sustainable Development Goals and Rural Changes

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium FC6 029

Chair: *José Luís Braga, CIDI, European Institute of Higher Education of Fafe*

### Submission No. #55

#### **What Do Market Rats Know? More-Than-Human Framework in Urban and Rural Food Markets**

Staņislavs Šeiko, *Baltic Studies Centre, Latvia*

### Submission No. #129

#### **Rural revitalization in the context of rural depopulation: Challenges, opportunities and responses**

Yurui Li, *Institute of Geographic Sciences and Natural Resources Research, Chinese Academy of Sciences*

### Submission No. #45

#### **Fishing in Portugal: Sustainability and European Regulation**

Diogo Sousa, *Instituto Politécnico Jean Piaget de Vila Nova de Gaia, Portugal*

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## Coffee Break - 16:40 – 17:10

## Parallel Sessions 9 - 17:10 – 18:30 - 80 min

## PS 9.1 - Social Vulnerabilities, Communities, Cultures and Identities

Venue: FCUP – Auditorium Ferreira da Silva (FC6-030)

Chair: *André Samora-Arvela, FLUP*

### Submission No. #291

#### **Understanding intangible cultural heritage in rural Wales**

Elen Bonner, *School of Arts, Culture and Language, Bangor University, Wales*

Eifiona Thomas Lane, *School of Environment and Natural Sciences, Bangor University, Wales*  
Sean Martin, *School of Arts, Culture and Language, Bangor University, Wales*  
Rhys Jones, *Department of Geography and Earth Sciences, Aberystwyth University, Wales*

**Submission No. #320**

**Communitarianism in rural areas: the reactivation of a tradition, or a new paradigm? The case of Montalegre.**

**Helena Pina**, *CEGOT, Faculty of Arts and Humanities, University of Porto, Portugal*

**André Samora-Arvela**, *Information Sciences, Technologies and Architecture Research Centre (ISTAR-Iscte), Portugal*

**Felisbela Martins**, *Retired Professor at FLUP, University of Porto*

**Submission No. #231**

**From Vulnerability to Agency? Women's Grassroots Activism and the Paradoxes of Right-Wing Policies in Rural Poland**

**Sylvia Urbańska**, *Faculty of Sociology, University of Warsaw*

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**PS 9.2 - Rural-Urban, Social Transformations and Rural Changes**

**Venue:** FCUP – Auditorium FC6 029

**Chair:** *Fantina Tedim, CEGOT, University of Porto*

**Submission No. #190**

**Agroecological Initiatives in Seville: Territorial Laboratories of Socio-Ecological Innovation**

**Raúl Puente-Asuero**, *University of Seville (Spain)*

**Barbara Maćkiewicz**, *Adam Mickiewicz University (Poznań, Poland)*,

**Submission No. #140**

**Student engagement in research as a strategy for sustainable and innovative rural development**

**Charlotte Hidding**, *Professorship Living Environment in Transition, Research Centre of Built Environment NoorderRuimte, Hanze University of Applied Sciences, The Netherlands*

**Submission No. #227**

**Catalysing entrepreneurial ecosystems and talent attraction: rural incubators and the “right to stay”**

**Dimitris Manoukas**, *Department of Architecture and Urban Studies (DAStU), Politecnico di Milano, Italy & Department of Communication, Media, and Culture, Panteion, University of Social and Political Sciences, Greece*

**Ilaria Mariotti**, *Department of Architecture and Urban Studies (DAStU), Politecnico di Milano, Italy*

**Closing Session - 18:30 – 19:00**

**Venue:** FCUP – Auditorium Ferreira da Silva (FC6-030)

**Farewell Dinner and Cultural Moment - Evening**

**Venue:** *Círculo Universitário do Porto*

**Address:** *Rua do Campo Alegre, n.º 877, 4150-180 Porto*

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## Field Trips

Departure at 7:45 a.m. in front of Casa dos Livros, n.º 1055 in Rua do Campo Alegre.

Full-day excursions to rural areas of northwest Portugal. Details: <https://4-ruralgeographies.euroissues.pt/field-trips/>

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