

KNOWLEDGE IN SMALL AND MEDIUM SIZED TOWNS

4TH AND 5TH DECEMBER 08
FARO, PORTUGAL



The conference focuses on the possible contribution of towns to rural development by acting as a place of knowledge creation and diffusion in order to avoid processes of decline and promote a geographically balanced and sustainable development in rural areas. An important question related to this is how to take advantage of the potential of towns and rural areas and how to increase their competitiveness, encouraging their advantages over more urbanized areas. Important issues are for example the challenges created by learning and knowledge diffusion in towns and rural areas, the potential of towns in bottom-up policies such as the LEADER+ approach, the importance of knowledge in rural areas and the function of towns in rural-urban (knowledge) networks.

For this conference six different fields of interest are defined:

- 1) Networks and Public-private Partnerships;
- 2) Local Entrepreneurship and Globalization;
- 3) Technological Developments, Innovation and Knowledge Spill-overs;
- 4) Urban-rural Interdependencies;
- 5) Citizenship and Governance Models;
- 6) Future Trends for Knowledge Creation and Diffusion.

THE CONFIRMED KEY NOTE SPEAKERS ARE:

Peter Nijkamp

Free University, Amsterdam, the Netherlands
The impact of the urban systems in sustainable development

Charlie Karlsson

Jönköping University, Sweden
In a global economy, do entrepreneurial activities differ with town size?

Helen Lawton Smith

University of London, U.K.
Technological transfer in a perspective of town dimension

Lois Labrianidis

University of Macedonia, Greece
The role of the rural world in a networking context

António Vazques Barquero

Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, Spain
Citizenship and associations towards development

Teresa de Noronha Vaz

Universidade do Algarve, Portugal
Future trends without futurism - Round Table





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CONFERENCE PROGRAM:

4th December

9.15-9.30 Welcome

9.30-10.15 Peter Nijkamp
*"The impact of the urban systems in sustainable
development"*

10.15-11.00 Charlie Karlsson
*"In a global economy, do entrepreneurial activities differ
with town size?"*

11.00-11.30 Coffee break

11.30-13.00 Parallel Sessions

13.00-14.15 Lunch

14.15-15.00 Helen Lawton Smith
*"Technological transfer in a perspective of town
dimension"*

15.00-16.30 Parallel Sessions

16.30-17.00 Coffee Break

17.00-18.30 Parallel Sessions

20.00 Dinner



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9.30-10.15 Lois Labrianidis

"The role of the rural world in a networking context"

10.15-11.00 António Vazques Barquero

"Citizenship and associations towards development"

11.00-11.30 Coffee break

11.30-13.00 Parallel Sessions

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16.00-17.00 Teresa de Noronha Vaz

"Future trends without futurism – Round Table"

17.00 Closure

20.00 Dinner



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Deadlines

For refereed papers

Abstract submission: 31 July
Acceptance of abstracts: 1 September
Paper submission: 15 October
Referee process finished by: 15 November

For non-refereed papers and posters

Abstract submission: 30 October
Acceptance of abstracts: 15 November
Paper submission: 30 November

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50% reduction on the early payment for citizens from: eastern European or African countries, India, Pakistan, and China.

Late inscription fee

Payment after 1 November: 400 Euros
50% reduction for CIEO members and students

Possible publications for the refereed selected papers

International Journal of Foresight and Innovation Policy,
Inderscience Publishers

Book by Ashgate Publishers

WSEAS (The World Scientific and Engineering Academy and Society), ISI Publication



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