

Online Research Workshop

Live, Eat and Travel: Implementing the European Green Deal

2 December 2021

Overview

The European Commission launched the European Green Deal (EGD) in December 2019 in order to set the European Union on a firm path towards sustainability. While there are vibrant scholarly debates on issues around climate change, the energy transition and biodiversity, other areas that affect how we live, eat and travel have received less attention. To address this imbalance, this workshop will focus on three key policy areas with high relevance for achieving the ambitious targets of the EGD: Buildings, agriculture and mobility. Since the publication of the EGD, the Commission has published further strategies, namely one on a renovation wave (October 2020), a farm to fork strategy (May 2020) and strategies related to hydrogen and batteries (July/December 2020). Papers in this workshop will address the prospects for successful implementation of the EGD in any one of these three policy areas, focusing on any of the following aspects:

- Task allocation across multiple levels of governance, including issues of subsidiarity
- Implementation across the Member States, including how the EGD interacts with national circumstances
- The role of sub-national actors, including regions and cities
- The interaction between technical and governance issues (e.g., monitoring, standard-setting, etc.)
- Steering mechanisms (hard and soft approaches) and policy instruments
- The role of different actors and institutions

Organisers: Dr. Jonas Schoenefeld (Institute for Housing and Environment, DE), Dr. Rosa Fernandez (University of Warwick, UK), Prof. Thomas Hoerber (ESSCA Business School, Angers, FR)

The session will take place using Microsoft Teams. If you are interested on joining us, please contact Dr. Rosa Fernandez (Rosa.Fernandez-Martin@warwick.ac.uk) to get the link.

Programme (All times are in CET!):

<i>Thursday, 2 December 2021</i>	
When	What
09:50-10:00 h	Power up and tech check
10:00-10:15 h	Welcome Dr. Monika Meyer, Head of the Institute for Housing and Environment (IWU) Jonas Schoenefeld, Rosa Fernandez, Thomas Hoerber (Organisers)
10:15-11:30 h	Session 1: Mobility and Buildings (Chair: Thomas Hoerber) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paper 1 – Dyrhauge: Alternative Fuels Infrastructure – travelling wide on low-emission? • Paper 2 – Stockmann: Translating sustainability into urban mobility policy – The EU Green Deal as a device for norm synchronization in EU sectoral policymaking • Paper 3 – Schoenefeld: Renovating Europe – Can One Steer the Wave?
11:30-12:30 h	Lunch break
12:30-14:00 h	Session 2: Food and Agriculture (Chair: Rosa Fernandez) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paper 1 – Schwindenhammer & Gonglach: Implementing the European Green Deal through technology? Benefits, risks and governance challenges stemming from urban agri-food technology innovation • Paper 2 – Tilt: Exploring the sustainability dimension of geographical indications: Perspectives from Japan and the EU in Sustainable Agriculture • Paper 3 – Machin/Schiller: Knowing Food: Alternative Food Organisations, the Farm to Fork Strategy and the Politics of Expertise • Paper 4 – Gravey/Bozugany/Moore: Mind the CAP: Comparing environmental ambition through two reforms of the EU’s Common Agricultural Policy
14:00-14:15 h	Coffee Break
14:15-15:45 h	Session 3: Governing Sustainability in Europe and Beyond (Chair: Jonas Schoenefeld) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paper 1: Crnčec et al. Climate appropriateness and consequentialism in EU-Russia energy relations • Paper 2: Ahmad: COVID-19 drops many countries from sustainable development goals target • Paper 3: Gabriel Weber: Can Free Trade Agreements enhance both Trade and Sustainability? The Case of the EU-Colombia Trade Agreement
15:45 – 16:30 h	General discussion + next steps
16:30-16:45 h	Break
16:45-17:30 h	Early Career Networking Session