

VASAB Session “Spatial strategies supporting green and just transition in European macro-regions”

Agenda

8th March 13:30-15:00 CET

Territorial and spatial approach in macro-regional strategies (MRS) can contribute to guiding green, just and digital transition, adapted to the places, diversities and uniqueness of the regions. VASAB Long-Term Perspective supports EUSBSR by adding territorial dimension to the efforts of the EU Green Deal to turn climate and environmental challenges into opportunities. Also, other MRS consider spatial perspectives and territorial scenarios to embed territorial evidence in policymaking and support climate actions.

The session will share experience and spatial perspectives across various MRS and discuss among participants how MRS cooperation supports green and digital transition and what spatial planning strategies should undertake to address challenges deriving from EU Green Deal and to achieve climate targets of EU.

Moderated by: Dr. Franziska Sielker / University of Cambridge
Online in Zoom. Please, register [HERE](#) for the link to the session.

13:30-13:35	Opening by moderator
13:35-13:50	Welcome note and introduction by <i>Dr. Daniel Meltzian</i> / EUSBSR PA ‘Spatial Planning’/ Chair of VASAB CSPD/BSR / Federal Ministry for Housing, Urban Development and Building, Germany
13:50-14:20	Insight into practice: How can macro-regional cooperation support the implementation of EU Green Deal and Territorial Agenda 2030 from spatial planning point of view:
13:50-14:05	- Example of EUSBSR: Update of VASAB Long-Term Perspective – towards VASAB Vision 2040 by <i>Ms. Maria Toptsidou</i> / Analyst & Policy adviser at Spatial Foresight
14:05-14:20	- Example of EUSDR: Territorial Scenarios and Macro-regional Priorities in the Danube Region by <i>Dr. Robert Lichtner</i> / Coordinator of Danube Strategy Point
14:20-14:50	Discussion & exchange across various MRS: What should spatial planning strategies undertake to address challenges deriving from EU Green Deal and to achieve climate targets in European macro-regions.
	Panellists: - <i>Dr. Daniel Meltzian</i> / EUSBSR PA ‘Spatial Planning’/ VASAB CSPD/BSR Chair - <i>Prof. Dr. Tobias Chilla</i> / University of Erlangen-Nuremberg - <i>Dr. Robert Lichtner</i> / Danube Strategy Point - <i>Ms. Maria Toptsidou</i> / Spatial Foresight
14:50-14:55	Concluding remarks by <i>Ms. Elina Veidemane</i> / EUSBSR PA ‘Spatial Planning’ coordinator / VASAB Secretariat
14:55-15:00	Closing the session by moderator

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