

Workshop “Transdisciplinarity, co-creativity and transfer: social science research and transformational practices in rural and regional contexts”, June 11/12, 2026

Technical University Vienna, Karlsgasse 11, 1040 Vienna, Room EB EG-3

Programme

Thursday, June 11

13:30	Arrival with coffee
14:00	Welcome and Introduction Ariane Sept, Alexander Hamedinger (TU Wien)
14:15	Alterperimentale – An interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary alliance <i>Moderation: Ariane Sept, Documentation: Alexander Hamedinger</i> Interdisciplinarity through transdisciplinarity? Experiences from the 'Alterperimentale' initiative Ludger Gailing, Alexandra Retkowski (BTU Cottbus) The Cottbus Practice-Research Center as transdisciplinary and co-creative instrument for social change in rural regions Richard Pantzier, Heike Gumz (BTU Cottbus) Discussion
15:15	Coffee Break
15:30	Bounding Academics <i>Moderation: Alexander Hamedinger, Documentation: Alexandra Retkowski & Ariane Sept</i> Doing Transfer by Doing Research: Boundary Work and the ARL as a Boundary Organization Antje Bruns (ARL/Uni Hannover) The manifold roles of universities in co-creative processes in rural areas and their conflicts. Two case studies from a transfer project on regional transformation processes in north-western Brandenburg, Germany Stefan Raich (FH Potsdam) From Disaster Response to Long-Term Partnership: Transdisciplinary Knowledge Transfer in Post-Disaster Management Viviana Wiegler, Tobias Meier (HS Koblenz) Teaching based Living Labs as bottom-up research spaces for new public-civic collaborations Hendrik Weiner (BTU Cottbus) Discussion
17:20	End of the first day
18:30	Joint dinner at a traditional Viennese wine tavern Heuriger Maly, Sandgasse 8, 1190 Wien (at your own expense)

Friday, June 12

08:30	Arrival
09:00	Shaping Spaces <i>Moderation: Alexander Hamedinger, Documentation: Ludger Gailing</i> • Learning from the Edges: Co-creating urban furniture in a peripheral smart city Julia Binder (BTU Cottbus) • Co-Learning from and for Dreiersiedlung. Multi-level cooperation, learning and transfer in the transformation of a former workers' settlement in Lower Austria Katharina Kirsch-Soriano da Silva (Caritas Wien), Andreas Bernögger (TU Wien) • Beyond Climate Targets: Transdisciplinary Transfer, Learning and Negotiation in Rural Land-Use Planning Birte Frommer, Anja Hentschel, Iris Behr, Anna Wasmer, Christian Nelles (HS Darmstadt) • Discussion
10:30	Coffee Break
11:00	Hacking, Walking and Designing <i>Moderation: Ariane Sept, Documentation: Alexandra Retkowski</i> • Soil Walks and the Land Use Dashboard: A transferable approach to participation and sustainable land use Elias Grinzinger; Thomas Dillinger; Vladimir Ondrejicka; Martin Baloga; Paul Koo (TU Wien, Comenius Uni Bratislava) • Hacking the food system: the transformative value of collaborative agri-food innovation spaces in rural regions Federica Ammaturo (HU Berlin/IRS Erkner) • Social Design as a Transdisciplinary Transfer Practice: Artistic Research on Soft Factors of Rural and Regional Development Magdalena Hubauer, Katharina Spanlang (Verein Leischn) • Discussion
12:30	Lunch Break
13:30	Aging and Caring <i>Moderation: Alexandra Retkowski, Documentation: Ariane Sept</i> • Community Researchers as a Transfer Format: The potential of community-based research for facilitating a socio-spatially inclusive digital transition in rural Estonia Bianka Plüschke-Altof, Kadri Leetmaa, Mariia Bochkova, Triin Liin, Markus Moora (Tallinn Technical University, University of Tartu) • Aging in rural and urban neighborhoods – participatory methods and transfer experiences from the Algele Qua project Nina Faltermayr, Isabelle Riedlinger, Laura Jesgarz, Sigrid Mairhofer (Hochschule München)

	• Co-creation as a way to care together: Findings from a participatory technology-development project in a rural region Tobias Wörle, Stefanie Sauter, Annika Hudelmayer, Florian Fischer, Mario R. Jokisch (HS Kempten) • Discussion
15:00	Coffee Break
15:30	Reflecting Innovation <i>Moderation: Ludger Gailing, Documentation: Alexander Hamedinger</i> • Situated Geographies: Conceptualizing Innovation through transdisciplinary interventions Bastian Lange (HU Berlin) • Co-creation in social innovation processes in rural areas – experiences from Eastern Germany Andreas Huber, Tamerat Orbach, Erik Burtchen, Lina Hansen, Melanie Jaeger-Erben, and Friederike Rohde (BTU Cottbus) • Discussion
16:30	Concluding Remarks and Agreements for Joint Publication <i>Moderation: Ludger Gailing</i>
17:00	End of the Workshop, Informal Get Together

Directions



The workshop venue is located at Karlsgasse 11 in Vienna's 4th district, very close to Karlsplatz. The easiest way to reach it is by underground (U1, U2, U4 Karlsplatz) or tram (1, 62, BB Paulanergasse).

When you arrive via underground, use the exit "Resselpark" for the shortest way.

When you arrive at the building, follow the signs to the workshop room.