



## LANDSCAPE EUROPE Newsletter – December 2016

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*Dear Landscape Europe Network readers,*

*Here is the last issue of the Landscape Europe Newsletter in the 2016 with some new information about upcoming events in 2017.*

*In case, you would like to support us with new information for our next issue, please do so. We will be glad to **pass all relevant information** to the Landscape Europe community via our web page and through the LE-Newsletter.*

*On behalf of the Landscape Europe, I wish you a peaceful Christmas season, good health, prosperity and success in the year 2017.*

*Wishing you interesting reading and looking forward to receive your comments and inputs for the next issue of the LE-News.*



*With kindest regards*  
**Jana Borovská and the ILE SAS team**  
*Network Coordination Office*



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## TWO FREE POSITIONS

until 09.01.2017

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The Chair of Ecosystem Services at **the International Institute Zittau / TU Dresden in Germany** (Prof. Irene Ring) invites applications **for two positions of a Research and Teaching Fellow / PhD Position on governance and valuation of ecosystem services**, preferably related to the following topics:

- 1) Ecosystem services in economic accounting**
- 2) Ecosystem services in intergovernmental fiscal relations**

These posts entail 50% of the fulltime weekly hours, offering a contract of 3 years.

Requirements: Very good or good university degree (Masters or equivalent), preferably in economics, agricultural, forestry or environmental sciences with a focus in ecological economics or environmental economics; familiarity with the ecosystem services concept. A background in the following areas is of advantage: environmental valuation and environmental-economic accounting (topic 1); public finance, economic analysis of environmental policy instruments and ecological fiscal transfers (topic 2); quantitative and qualitative methods in economics / social sciences (both topics). Very good English and German language and communication skills are also required. The posts also involve teaching in English language in the newly introduced MSc Programmes of “Ecosystem Services” and “Biodiversity and Collection Management”.

**Closing date: January 9, 2017.**

***For further details on the job description and requirements:*** [http://www.verw.tu-dresden.de/StellAus/download.asp?file=01-2017\Ring\\_WIMI\\_eng\\_301116\\_w%20628.pdf](http://www.verw.tu-dresden.de/StellAus/download.asp?file=01-2017\Ring_WIMI_eng_301116_w%20628.pdf)

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## EVENTS 2017

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**2017 AESOP CONGRESS IN LISBON****11 - 14 JULY 2017****LISBON, PORTUGAL**

SPACES OF DIALOG  
FOR PLACES OF DIGNITY:  
Fostering the European  
Dimension of Planning  
11 - 14 July 2017 Lisbon



The planning and urban minded communities are invited to join efforts under the flag of the next **congress topic** – **SPACES OF DIALOG FOR PLACES OF DIGNITY: Fostering the European Dimension of Planning.**

**Themes and tracks****Theme 1: PLANNING THEORY AND EDUCATION**

1. *Planning theory: conceptual challenges and planning evaluation*
2. *Planning education: building up spaces of dialogue for places of dignity*

**Theme 2: URBAN DESIGN AND PUBLIC SPACES**

3. *Spaces of dialogue for active, networked and responsible citizenship*
4. *Urban design, public spaces and urban culture*
5. *Green infrastructures: fostering dialogue across scales and policies*

**Theme 3: TERRITORY AND ITS SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DIMENSIONS**

6. *Territorial cohesion: a multiscale approach*
7. *Dialogues in diverse, inclusive, and multicultural cities*
8. *Regional economics and scarce resources planning*
9. *Bridging gaps in transnational planning*

**Theme 4: EMERGENT LAND USES AND PRACTICES**

10. *Housing and urban rehabilitation and qualification for places of dignity*
11. *Healthy and liveable cities*
12. *Tourism, leisure and genuine urban cultures*

**Theme 5: POLICIES AND STRATEGIES**

13. *Mobility policies, transport regulation and urban planning*
14. *Policies for smart and co-creative cities*
15. *Law and planning under societal challenges*
16. *Urban metabolism and territorial efficiency*

**Theme 6: THE FORTHCOMING CITY**

- 17. *Big data, open sources, generative tools*
- 18. *Unravelling complexity for planning*
- 19. *Resilient and sustainable territories*
- 20. *Territories under pressure: disruptive events, shattered cities, collective memories*
- 21. *Urban futures: challenges and vision*

**PHD WORKSHOP – 6 – 8 JULY 2017**

The 2017 AESOP PhD Workshop will be hosted by the **University of Aveiro, Department of Social, Political and Territorial Sciences**. Addressing the congress name, the workshop “**Spaces for dialog for places of dignity: challenges for planning research**” will take place from the **6 – 8 July 2017**. The link for the workshop will be soon at: <http://aesop2017.pt/index.php/programme/phd-workshop>

**Important dates:**

**Abstract Submission - 9 January 2017**

**Decision of Abstracts Acceptance - 15 March 2017**

**Full Paper Submission - 15 May 2017**

**Roundtable Proposals - 9 January 2017**

**Early Registration - 15 May 2017**

**Date of Payment that Guarantees Enrolment in the Programme - 15 June 2017**

**Links:**

**congress:** <http://aesop2017.pt/>

**AESOP:** <http://www.aesop-planning.eu/>

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**NATURE AND SOCIETY: SYNERGIES, CONFLICTS, TRADE-OFFS**

**AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SYNERGIES, CONFLICTS AND TRADE-OFFS IN THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN NATURE AND SOCIETY**

**2-5 MAY 2017**

**GHENT, BELGIUM**



**Call for proposals - talks, sessions and posters - closing date: 20 January 2017**

Synergies, conflicts and trade-offs in the relationship between nature and society are key processes in socio-ecological systems. While conflicts are regarded as challenging and difficult trade-offs between ecosystem services are often necessary, the search for synergies and win-win solutions are essential steps in finding lasting solutions to major socio-environmental issues.

Through critical views from a range of disciplines, the conference aims to develop a deeper understanding of conflicts in human-nature relationships, and to explore the possibility that such conflicts may – through their resolution – actually lead to more sustainable solutions.

Through a mix of plenary sessions and interactive ‘living lab’ type workshop sessions, representatives from a wide range of disciplines (including those who may not be considered the ‘usual players’ in environmental debates) will collaborate towards developing a practical guide to nature-related synergies, conflicts and trade-offs, focusing on positive outcomes for nature and society.

The conference will be a meeting place for scientists from the humanities, social sciences (including psychology and health), natural sciences (including behaviour and evolution), local, regional and EU level policy makers and NGOs.

**The event is organized by** the conference committee with additional support from the communication team and the ALTER-Net secretary Tessa van Santen (INBO). Jiska van Dijk of NINA will lead the organisation.

**Link for detailed information:** <http://www.alter-net.info/outputs/conf-2017>

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## JOINT ANNUAL MEETING

**ORGANISED BY THE BRITISH ECOLOGICAL SOCIETY (BES), NECOV AND GESELLSCHAFT FÜR ÖKOLOGIE (GFÖ), IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE EUROPEAN ECOLOGICAL FEDERATION (EEF)**

**11 – 14 DECEMBER 2017**

**GHENT, BELGIUM**



**Please submit your proposal to by 31 January 2017**

## Propose a Thematic Topic Session for the Joint Annual Meeting 2017

The Thematic Topic Sessions provide a high profile forum for the discussion of timely, innovative and/or important questions, provide local ‘flavour’ within the programme, and showcase integration among disciplines. We support submissions from across the full spectrum of ecology. However, for this meeting, we are particularly interested in considering proposals centred around:

- Integration of observational and experimental approaches in ecology
- New directions in conservation (including rewilding)
- Eco-evolutionary dynamics

- Polar and montane ecology
- New generation biomonitoring methods (e.g. eDNA, metagenomics)
- Global ecological networks (e.g. GEOBON, LTER, NEON)
- Human-nature interactions – moving beyond ecosystem services and nature-based solutions

Furthermore, organizers would like to promote proposals that involve representatives from across BES, NecoV and GfÖ. We receive in excess of 40 proposals each year for ~10 slots. All submissions are evaluated by an academic panel, primarily on the basis of scientific quality.

**Link:** <http://www.britishecologicalsociety.org/events/annual-meeting-2017/thematic-topic-ghent-2017/>

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## **SUSTAINABLE CITY 2017**

### **12TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON URBAN REGENERATION AND SUSTAINABILITY**

**18 - 20 SEPTEMBER, 2017**

**SEVILLE, SPAIN**

**Call for papers online, a.s.a.p.**



The Sustainable City Conference addresses the multidisciplinary components of urban planning, the challenges presented by the increasing size of the cities, the amount of resources required and the complexity of modern society.

### **Conference Topics**

The following list covers some of the topics to be presented at Sustainable City 2017. Papers on other subjects related to the objectives of the conference are also welcome.

- Urban strategies
- Planning, development and management
- Urban metabolism
- Quality of life
- The community and the city
- Infrastructure and society
- The S3 city: smart, sustainable and safe
- Eco-town planning
- Spatial conflicts in the city
- Urban transportation and planning

- Architectural issues
- Sustainable energy and the city
- Cultural heritage sites
- Urban conservation and regeneration
- Environmental management
- Flood risk
- Waste management
- Urban air pollution
- Health issues
- Water resources
- Landscape planning and design
- Urbanization of rural areas
- Urban agriculture
- Intelligent environment
- Planning for risk and natural hazards
- Waterfront development
- Case studies

### **PRIGOGINE AWARD 2017**

The **Prigogine Gold Medal 2017 Award Ceremony** will take place at the University of Seville on Wednesday 20th September 2017.

#### **Link for more information:**

[https://www.wessex.ac.uk/index.php?option=com\\_chronoforms5&view=form&Itemid=5533&chronofrom=Abstract&conf=sustainable-city-2017](https://www.wessex.ac.uk/index.php?option=com_chronoforms5&view=form&Itemid=5533&chronofrom=Abstract&conf=sustainable-city-2017)

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## **A MESSAGE FROM DR. SANDRA LUQUE**

Director of Research at IRSTEA

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... If you wish to get involved, please contact dr. Sandra Luque directly.

Dear all,

Within the framework of AHIA-activity, Alter-NET we received a **small grant to be able to articulate work initiated within the framework of the EU FP7 project OpenNess** (<http://www.openness-project.eu/>) and the AlterNet community. The work under the title **“Cultural Ecosystem Services (CES): An empirical approach across European landscapes and**

**beyond”** focus on the identification of emergent patterns of spatial distribution of CES based on the presence of visitors inferred from geolocalized Flickr photos (and/or Panoramio). These spatial patterns could be used to assess and understand preferences and the factors that determine their provision from local to broader scales. In particular, explanatory variables related to landscape settings but also to the Flickr users’ timeline will be extracted to investigate how CES beneficiaries interact with their environment and natural settings according to its complexity and their mobility behaviours in space and time. This will allow us to gain a better insight into CES and the complex interrelation perceived across time and space (mental landscapes) to be transferred into biodiversity values.

**Previous work in the OpenNESS project has developed a database of about 100,000 validated photos from 12 case studies** (Tenerelli et al in prep.). We propose here to further extend this database and to analyse it in a new way by including mobility information of users & accessibility of sites, including spatio-temporal trajectories (incl. seasonality). This additional effort will add an important spatial dimension to the information and will result in the most comprehensive assessment based on new crowd-sourcing data and methods for understanding CES in relation to landscapes values.

At present we do have a 60% of the partners within the project from the AlterNet community. Therefore, this is an invitation for others AlterNet partners that are working already on the topic of CES and have an interest to join this activity. We do have a protocol for the classification of photos, note that the originality of the work is the individual classification of each photo following CICES classification on ES. **The protocol and file are attached to this email including supporting bibliography. Deadline for the classified photos you may have in your study case is 31 January 2017. We regret that no technical support will be available as we do not have the resources, this is a totally voluntary participation to produce common outputs including a high impact publication.**

Some important considerations:

You can adapt some of the categories and add others you may consider important, as an example in some countries, in particular Nordic countries you may find hunting pictures that in France people never will upload, then this is an interesting “people’s perception” point that we can capture.

We advise that first you take a look at all the pictures in your area to see if you have a good sample; still some published work proved that you can still work with low numbers of pictures. In all, the idea is to reduce the costs and efforts of surveys and the results are quite interesting. You can then proceed for your study area if you are interested.

I deeply thank Patrizia Tenerelli for preparing this document and all the hard work in our study area to test the tool. Also this was possible thank to a series of stimulating brain storming sessions that we had with several researchers within the framework of OpenNess project meetings

If you are planning to participate and you are not already on the list of partners within the project, please contact [sandra.luque@irstea.fr](mailto:sandra.luque@irstea.fr)

My warmest wishes to all

Sandra

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