

TERRITORIES AS LEADERS IN RESPONSIBLE RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

Policy Conference

Organised by the consortium of the RRI-LEADERS Project
19 October 2023, Brussels

Agenda

 **Venue:**
Committee of the Regions
Batiment Jacques Delors, Rue Belliard 99/101, 1040 Bruxelles, Belgium

Room JDE51

8:30 – 9:30	Registration, coffee and refreshments
9:30 – 10:00	Welcome by the European Research Executive Agency Silvia ABAD , Project Officer of RRI-LEADERS Keynote address Georgios PAPANAGNOU , Policy Officer, DG Research and Innovation
10:00 – 10.30	Introduction to the Conference RRI-LEADERS – challenges, achievements and impact Vision for responsible territorial policymaking Zoya DAMIANOVA , Coordinator of RRI-LEADERS Project Applied Research and Communications Fund, Bulgaria
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee break



<p>11.00 – 12.45</p>	<p>RRI in territorial policymaking: the experience of RRI-LEADERS</p> <p>Moderator: Edward ANDERSSON</p> <p><i>This session will be a forum to share the experience of cities and regions, participating in RRI-LEADERS, which embarked on a 3-year journey of studying and analysing how Responsible Research and Innovation, as well as anticipation, inclusiveness, reflexivity and responsiveness, could be most beneficially applied in territorial policymaking in selected policy areas.</i></p> <p><i>Presentations by:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Snezhina Gabova, Sofia Development Association, Bulgaria • Dr. Pavlos Kilintzis, Local Government Association - Region of Western Macedonia, Greece • Gabriel Happle, Municipality of Thalwil, Switzerland • Iolanda Repullo, Promoció Econòmica de Sabadell SL, Spain <p><i>Presentations will be focused on the experience of the four territories in embedding Responsible Research and Innovation in their territorial development policies, followed by a discussion with the conference participants. Discussion will focus on challenges, achievements and impacts on territorial policymaking.</i></p>
<p>12.45 – 14.00</p>	<p>Buffet lunch - Atrium 5, Committee of the Regions</p> <p>Video session in Ledra Street (next to Atrium 5)</p>



14.00 – 15.30

RRI in territorial policymaking: the wider picture

Moderator: Zoya DAMIANOVA

This session will be a forum for other projects to present their novel approaches, experiences and achievements in integrating Responsible Research and Innovation in territorial development, as well as the societal impacts of clean energy transition.

- **RIPEET project**

Wolfgang Haider, RIPEET project coordinator, Centre for Social Innovation, Austria

RIPEET project supports Responsible Research and Innovation (RRI) policy experimentations for energy transition in three European territories - in Extremadura (ES), Highlands and Islands of Scotland (UK) and Ostrobothnia (FI).

- **Main achievements of the WBC-RRI.NET project and its impacts on Western Balkan region**

Prof. Goran STOJANOVIC, University of Novi Sad (UNS), Serbia

WBC-RRI.NET fosters the application of Responsible Research and Innovation (RRI) at the territorial level in five Western Balkan Research and Innovation (R&I) ecosystems and promotes a multi-level governance framework for steering R&I in the Western Balkans (WB): Province of Vojvodina (Serbia), Kune-Vain-Tale ecosystem (Albania), Republic of Srpska (Bosnia and Herzegovina), Country of Montenegro, and Skopje planning region (North Macedonia).

- **Social Aspects of Transition to Clean Energies in Europe**

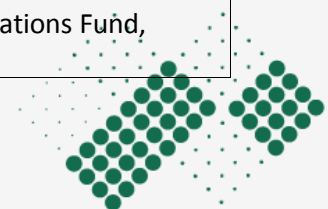
Prof. Ricardo Garcia Mira, University of A Coruña, Spain

ENTRANCES project advocates the impact on societies of Clean Energy Transition. It analyses processes of de-territorialisation and re-territorialisation in 13 European coal and carbon intensive regions from a socio-economic, socio-technical, socio-cultural, socio-political, socio-ecological, socio-psychological and gender perspective. It aims at developing understanding from scientific evidence and knowledge based on interdisciplinary and inter-organizational dialogue. The project addresses coping strategies and challenges faced by these regions taking into account these multidimensional perspective involving different key players at territorial, regional, national, European, and global levels.

- **TeRRItoria project**

Maya Bidstrup, The Danish Board of Technology, Denmark

Adriana Dimova, Applied Research and Communications Fund, Bulgaria



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TetRRIS - Territorial Responsible Research and Innovation and Smart Specialisation, TBC <p><i>Presentations will be followed by a discussion with the conference participants. Discussion will focus on challenges, achievements and impacts on territorial policymaking.</i></p>
15.30 – 16.00	Coffee break
16.00 – 17.20	<p>Recommendations to Policymakers at Different Levels of Governance</p> <p>Moderator: Edward ANDERSSON</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy recommendations, presentation by Lars Klüver, the Danish Board of Technology, Denmark <p>Panel discussion – participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. Ellen-Marie FORSBERG, Managing Director, Norwegian Institute of Sustainability Research (NORSUS), Norway • Dr. Claire NAUWELAERS, independent Policy Analyst and Governmental Adviser, specialised in research and innovation policy, Belgium • Lars KLÜVER, Former director and currently Senior Advisor, the Danish Board of Technology • Representative of the Commission for Social Policy, Education, Employment, Research and Culture Committee (SEDEC), Committee of the Regions • Representative of the European Association of Development Agencies (EURADA), TBC • Representative of the European Regions Research and Innovation Network (ERRIN Network), TBC
17.20	<p>Closing remarks</p> <p>Zoya DAMIANOVA, ARC Fund</p>
17.30	End of the conference

