

Planning for Climate Change

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The current ecological, digital, and geopolitical transformations have challenged European market-based governance. Deep, complex, and entangled multiple crises require effective public policymaking to transform existing socio-technical as well as provisioning systems. This will not be possible without planning, i.e., coordinated and goal-oriented agency by multiple public and private actors. Learning from past successes and failures, innovative forms of planning will have to substitute current European incremental and fragmented policy making.

This dialogue-oriented expert workshop, organized by the International Karl Polanyi Society and funded by the Rosa-Luxemburg-Foundation, will explore the potential of multi-level democratic planning to steer the transformation of socio-technical and politico-economic systems. It is structured in two round tables.

13.30 – 14.00	Arrive & Coffee
14.00 – 15.30	First Round Table
15.30 – 16.00	Coffee Break & Snacks
16.00 – 17.30	Second Round Table
17:30	Finger Food

1. First Round Table: The Return of Planning

The first session will use learnings from historical planning experiences to explore current renaissance of planning. The session will evaluate proposals for contemporary democratic planning, be it eco-social policies to transform provisioning systems or green industrial policies to transition towards a circular economy.

Keynote by Werner Raza, ÖFSE
“Planning to cope with Europe’s polycrisis”

Comments by Jana Brandl, Manuel Scholz-Wäckerle, Tatjana Boczy (tbc), and Solveig Degen

2. Second Round Table: Planning for the Social-Ecological Transformation

The second session focuses on the political economy of climate change and the possibility, need and potential of better planning climate-neutral and climate-resilient transformations.

Keynote by Matthias Schmelzer, Friedrich Schiller University Jena
“Planning in the climate emergency”

Comments by Basak Kus, Colleen Schneider, and Lucia Behring

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