

## Programme – Wednesday, 14 June

Time				
09:00 – 10:30	<p><i>Opening plenary</i>  <b>Peter Weingarten, head of Thünen Institute of Rural Studies</b>  <b>Ulrike Grabski-Kieron, spokesperson of the Rural Geography Group (DGfG)</b>  <b>Annett Steinführer, Anna-Barbara Heindl, organising team</b>            Venue: Forum 1</p>			
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Coffee Break</i>			
11:00 – 12:30	<p><i>Keynotes:</i>  <b>Sarah Skerratt, Scotland's Rural College, Great Britain: "Rural communities revisited: on empowerment, resilience and complexities – making the invisible visible"</b>  <b>Susanne Stenbacka, Uppsala University, Sweden: "Gender relations and rurality: construction of spatial identities and implications for planning"</b>            Venue: Forum 1</p>			
12:30 – 13:30	<i>Lunch Break</i>			
	<i>Parallell sessions</i>		<i>Parallell sessions</i>	
13:45 – 15:45	<p><b>Civic engagement in rural areas</b>            Session chair: <i>M. Woods</i>  <i>P. A. Berger / M. Tulaszewski / H. Fischer:</i> Markets of Singularities. Socio-cultural and religious networks in Mecklenburg-West Pomerania  <i>Z. Kruzmetra:</i> Culture-led practices for renewal of society in rural areas of Latvia  <i>A. Margarian / J.-C. Peters:</i> Can civic engagement effectively support social inclusion? A spatially explicit model  <i>J. Reda / S. Ehret:</i> Investigating the heartbeat of rural development – metaphors of civic engagement in a rural development discourse            Venue: Forum 2</p>	<p><b>Disappearing and newly emerging basic services I</b>            Session chair: <i>A.-B. Heindl</i>  <i>S. Neumeier:</i> Why can street petrol station shops not be an alternative to a missing local food supplier? Contribution to the German discourse on 'Daseinsvorsorge'  <i>T. Haartsen / B. Bock:</i> The perceived importance of facilities for rural citizens in Fryslân, the Netherlands  <i>U. Jürgens:</i> Who frequents village shops? Studies in rural German areas  <i>M. Mießner:</i> Political struggles in German spatial planning about the empty signifier 'equivalence of living conditions'            Venue: A12 lecture-hall</p>	<p><b>Rural ageing: actors, structures, impacts</b>            Session chair: <i>S. Kordel</i>  <i>M. Petrová Kafková:</i> Ageing in rural areas: case of the Czech Republic  <i>A. Steinführer:</i> Coping capabilities and service use of the elderly: findings from rural Germany  <i>N. Mehnen / P. Schaal / E. Schäfer:</i> Demographic change in the Wadden Sea region – situation analysis, stakeholder involvement and development strategies in tourism municipalities            Venue: Forum 1</p>	<p><b>Rural governance and participatory processes I</b>            Session chair: <i>I. Mose</i>  <i>S. Kundolf:</i> Decision making processes in rural regeneration partnerships: participation and influences of new and weak actors  <i>G. Robinson:</i> Playing and participating: engaging communities in rural development through participology  <i>S. Schmitz:</i> Draw me a sheep: a pedagogical tool to discover the complexity of rural planning            Venue: AT lecture-hall</p>
15:45 – 16:15	<i>Coffee Break</i>			
	<i>Parallell sessions</i>		<i>Parallell sessions</i>	
16:30 – 18:00	<p><b>Material and immaterial values of farmland</b>            Session chair: <i>I. Mose</i>  <i>Y. Le Caro:</i> An axiological exploration of farmland from focus groups in western France  <i>A. Tietz:</i> Non-agricultural investors in German agricultural companies  <i>A. Reichert-Schick / J. Hollweg:</i> Investors on farmland markets in East Germany: actors, implications and control option            Venue: A12 lecture-hall</p>	<p><b>Newcomers as actors of rural change</b>            Session chair: <i>A. Steinführer</i>  <i>D. Meschter / P. Mehl:</i> The integration of refugees: a chance for rural areas? Case studies in Germany  <i>T. Weidinger:</i> Learning rural areas: refugees as drivers of economic and social change in Lower Bavaria, Germany  <i>S. Meier:</i> On the doorstep: refugee experiences of solidarity in the German region South Westphalia            Venue: Forum 1</p>	<p><b>Constructions of the rural I</b>            Session chair: <i>K. Halfacree</i>  <i>G. Tuitjer:</i> The house of one's own – materialisation of the rural idyll?  <i>A. Decker:</i> Entrepreneurship and activism in rural Czech Republic: educational visitor programmes on family farms  <i>A. Navarro:</i> Resurgence of open air food markets: symbol or mirror of the rurality?            Venue: AT lecture-hall</p>	<p><b>The contemporary role of agriculture for rural areas I</b>            Session chair: <i>S. Depraz</i>  <i>K. P. Schumacher:</i> The geography of manure in northern Germany  <i>S. Witzel:</i> Digitisation – a chance for women in agriculture?  <i>H. Pina:</i> Olive cultivation in the Douro Region (NE Portugal), where tradition and innovation combine            Venue: Forum 2</p>
18:15 – 19:00	<b>Poster session</b>			
19:00	<p><b>Welcome reception Thünen Institute</b>  <i>Folkhard Isermeryer, president of the Johann Heinrich von Thünen Institute</i></p>			

## Programme – Thursday, 15 June

Time	Parallell sessions		Parallell sessions	
<b>09:00 – 10:30</b>	<b>EU policies and rural development</b> Session chair: <i>U. Grabski-Kieron</i> <i>F. Navarro</i> : Social innovation in LEADER approach in Puglia (Italy) and Andalusia (Spain) in 2007 – 2013 cycle programming <i>B. O'Keeffe</i> : The legacy of LEADER and perceptions of rural development in Ireland <i>K. Pollermann</i> : Results of the LEADER-approach: findings from evaluation of LEADER-regions in Germany  Venue: Forum 1	<b>Disappearing and newly emerging basic services II</b> Session chair: <i>S. Neumeier</i> <i>I. Sirodoev</i> : Do disappearing infrastructure and services represent a declining provision or an increasing optimisation? The case study of Argeş county (Romania) <i>A. Klärner</i> : Is rural poverty some-thing special? A case study in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany <i>S. Kroismayr</i> : The relationship between the municipal authorities and the local community after the closure of a small primary school – some evidence from Austria  Venue: Forum 2	<b>Economic structures and development of rural areas I</b> Session chair: <i>P. Küpper</i> <i>K. Schuster</i> : Occupational choice from a spatial perspective: some stylised facts and a micro foundation <i>M. Graffenberger</i> : Relational configurations in innovation processes: insights from businesses in peripheral regions in Estonia and Saxony <i>L. Kvarantan / S. Henn</i> : Highly-skilled migrants in peripheral areas: a potential for small and medium-sized enterprises?  Venue: A12 lecture-hall	
<b>10:30 – 11:00</b>	Coffee Break			
<b>11:00 – 11:30</b>	Keynotes: <b>Luís Chaves, Minha Terra, Portugal: “From LEADER to Community-Led Local Development: A critical perspective on European rural policies”</b> Venue: Forum 1			
<b>11:30 – 12:30</b>	Round table debate: <b>“Shaping rural areas with EU policies: LEADER’s achievements, impediments and the role of science”</b> <b>Sabine Weizenegger, Regional Development Agency Oberallgäu, Germany – Luís Chaves, Minha Terra – Petra Raue, Thünen Institute of Rural Studies</b> Venue: Forum 1			
<b>12:30 – 13:30</b>	Lunch Break			
	Parallell sessions			
<b>13:45 – 15:45</b>	<b>Tourism and cultural landscapes: matters for rural development</b> Session chair: <i>U. Grabski-Kieron</i> <i>A. Voth</i> : Heritage protection, tourism and rural development in the Alpujarra: initiatives and challenges in a Mediterranean mountain area (Sierra Nevada, Spain) <i>S. Panzer-Krause</i> : Potentials for a sustainability transition in the tourism industry on the island of Rügen, Germany <i>I. Mose / N. Mehnen</i> : Sustainability, governance and tourism in English national parks – what can we learn from the Peak Park case? <i>G. Staacke</i> : The impact of the renewable energies “wind energy, photovoltaic and bioenergy” on cultural landscapes – development of a new evaluation method  Venue: AT lecture-hall	<b>Rural energy transitions: exploring the rural dimension of socio-technical change I</b> Session chair: <i>M. Naumann / M. Phillips</i> <i>G. Pierre</i> : The social construction of renewable energy projects: through localised social relations <i>E. Roberts</i> : Living at “the end of the line”: exploring everyday energyscapes in rural northwest Wales <i>J. Dickie / M. Phillips</i> : Living in an energised countryside: public discourses and narratives to the self in village England <i>F. Authier</i> : Analysis of the role of social capital on renewable energy projects achievement and territorial development: case studies of two endogenous renewable energy projects in France and Germany  Venue: Forum 1	<b>Coming and staying: changing population structures</b>  Session chair: <i>A. Steinführer</i> <i>T. Haartsen</i> : From stayers to staying: young adult stayers in depopulating rural areas <i>S. Kordel</i> : Invisible population as powerful protagonists in rural areas? Local implications of US-soldiers in rural Germany <i>M. Woods</i> : Precarious rural cosmopolitanism and neoliberal globalisation in Irish small towns  Venue: Forum 2	<b>Rural governance and participatory processes II</b>  Session chair: <i>N. Neumeier</i> <i>M. Méténier</i> : Facing rural gentrification in protected areas of England: the community land trusts as actors of rural change <i>Š. Guštin</i> : Conflicts as catalysts of change in rural areas <i>P. Raue</i> : The interdependence between local institutional settings and governance arrangements in LEADER <i>C. Lüer</i> : The European Grouping of Territorial Cooperation (EGTC) as an EU instrument to promote cooperation in rural cross-border areas  Venue: A12 lecture-hall
<b>15:45 – 16:15</b>	Coffee Break			
	Parallell sessions			
<b>16:30 – 18:00</b>	<b>Constructions of the rural II</b> Session chair: <i>A.-B. Heindl</i> <i>K. Halfacree</i> : Loving the rural: superficial banality or topophilia connection? <i>F. Dünckmann</i> : Politics of the idyll <i>V. M. Carlow</i> : Exo Village, Peri Urb, and Meta Town: TOPOI of settlement types in the METAPOLIS  Venue: AT lecture-hall	<b>Newcomers and transient population in rural areas</b> Session chair: <i>S. Kordel</i> <i>M. Phillips</i> : Revisiting Pahl’s countryside: an examination of transformations in gentrification of rural Hertfordshire <i>S. Depraz</i> : Rural gentrification in France: a critical approach <i>M. Eimermann</i> : Recognising opportunities? Rural place marketing and lifestyle movers in northern Sweden  Venue: Forum 1	<b>Economic structures and development of rural areas II</b> Session chair: <i>P. Küpper</i> <i>J.-C. Peters</i> : Quantifying the effect of labour market size on learning externalities <i>F. X. Armas Quintá</i> : Approach to new rural area functions in the information society. A case study in Galicia (Spain) <i>J. Walsh</i> : Revitalising Ireland’s rural economy: challenges and opportunities  Venue: Forum 2	
<b>18:15 – 19:00</b>	Transfer to Old Town Hall			
<b>19:00</b>	Reception by City of Braunschweig, Old Town Hall			

## Programme – Friday, 16 June 2017

Time	Parallell sessions		Parallell sessions
<b>09:00 – 10:30</b>	<b>Territorial disparities and spatial dynamics</b>  Session chair: <i>I.-V. Stoica</i> <i>A. Baysse-Lainé</i> : The impact of the Terre de Liens civil society land trust on the access to the land of alternative farmers. A land-related tool to support food relocalisation in France <i>P. Küpper</i> : Delimitation and typology of rural areas in Germany <i>F. Navarro</i> : The lack of rural development initiatives for deep rural areas. The case of the LEADER approach in Andalusia (Spain) in 2007 – 2013 period  Venue: Forum 2	<b>The contemporary role of agriculture for rural areas II</b>  Session chair: <i>K. M. Born</i> <i>J. Kister / G. Rainer</i> : Going global – re-inventing the local: the quality turn in wine production and regional restructuring in South Tyrol <i>A. Firmino</i> : Olive groves in Portugal: a challenge to actors of rural change <i>P. Jutteau</i> : Do the agricultural structures and economic conditions of rural spaces influence the forms of organisation and ownership in the biogas sector?  Venue: AT lecture-hall	<b>Dimensions of rural quality of life</b>  Session chair: <i>T. Haartsen</i> <i>T. Mettenberger</i> : “You don’t want to raise your kids in Berlin”: hard and soft location factors for attracting general practitioners to rural regions <i>R. Nadler</i> : The elephant in the Room. On the relation of demographic change, public services and civic engagement <i>J. Kreis</i> : Quality of life in rural areas in Germany: work-family balance as a component of quality of life  Venue: Forum 1
<b>10:30 – 11:00</b>	Coffee Break		
<b>11:00 – 12:45</b>	<b>Poster and photo awards</b> Keynotes: <i>Christine Tamásy, University of Vechta, Germany</i> : “Sustainable development or excessive exploitation?” <i>Ioan Ianoş, University of Bucharest, Romania</i> : “Territorial disparities and village dynamics in Romania: Venue: Forum 1		<b>A transition management perspective on areas of intensive agriculture” post-socialist trajectories and post-accession challenges”</b>
<b>12:45 – 13:30</b>	Lunch Break		
	Parallell sessions		
<b>13:45 – 15:45</b>	<b>The urban in the rural and the rural in the urban</b>  Session chair: <i>Y. Le Caro</i> <i>D. Deville</i> : Urban agriculture and precarity: grow for a better food safety <i>U. Grabski-Kieron</i> : “Baukultur” in the revitalisation of areas in small and medium-sized rural towns with declining populations <i>I.-V. Stoica</i> : Challenges of small towns in Romania – heading towards a rural future?  Venue: AT lecture-hall	<b>Rural energy transitions: exploring the rural dimension of socio-technical change II</b>  Session chair: <i>M. Naumann / M. Phillips</i> <i>F. Weber / O. Kühne</i> : Energy transition and upheaval – the impact of grid extension and wind turbine plants in rural Germany <i>L. Holstenkamp</i> : Are rural community energy companies more inclusive than their urban counterparts? Rural-urban differences in the German community energy sector <i>A. Schaffrin</i> : The dynamics of energy networks for regional innovation <i>M. Naumann / D. Rudolph</i> : The intricate relationship between energy transitions and regional marginalisation – insights from wind farm developments in rural Germany and Denmark  Venue: Fourm 1	<b>New forms of agriculture and food production</b>  Session chair: <i>A. Firmino</i> <i>C.-T. Soulard</i> : From grassroots initiatives to urban food system governance? Case studies in Montpellier and Toulouse <i>J. McCarthy</i> : From co-production to co-discipline: emergent agrienvironmental governance in the Republic of Ireland <i>A. F. Tulla</i> : Social Farming (SF) in the Barcelona periurban area: a social and ecological urban agriculture alternative  Venue: Fourm 2
<b>15:45 – 16:00</b>	Coffee Break		
<b>16:00</b>	<b>Closing ceremony</b>  <i>Ingo Mose, spokesperson Rural Geography Group</i> <i>Annett Steinführer, Anna-Barbara Heindl, organising team</i>  Venue: Forum 1		

## Programme – Saturday, 17 June

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<b>Time</b>	<b><i>Field trip</i></b>
<b>07:45 – 18:00</b>	<b>Wendland: Peripherality revisited</b> <i>Departure:</i> 07:45 <i>Approx. time of return:</i> 18:00 <a href="#">Venue: Main entrance of the Thünen Institute, Bundesallee 50</a>
<b>08:30 – 18:00</b>	<b>Vorharz: The former inner German border – a ‘phantom border’?</b> <i>Departure:</i> 08:30 <i>Approx. time of return:</i> 18:00 <a href="#">Venue: Main entrance of the Thünen Institute, Bundesallee 50</a>

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