



**Thursday 5th March 2020**  
Radisson Blu Hotel, Berlin and on-line

# **THE FUTURE IS NOW**

## **THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS AND FUTURE GENERATIONS IN EUROPE**

**Innovative ways to deliver accelerated action and transformative pathways**

**Berlin Programme**

A Welsh Government & Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies Shared Learning Event



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# PROGRAMME

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## 8:45 Registration and Networking

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### 9:30 Opening and Welcome Remarks

Prof Dr Patrizia Nanz, Scientific Director, Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies

### Sustainable Development in Wales - The Journey to Legislation

Dr Jane Davidson, Pro Vice-Chancellor Emeritus, University of Wales Trinity Saint Davids

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### Collaborative Review Workshops

The UN's 2019 Global Sustainability Report, 'The Future is Now' outlines four 'levers of change' along with the role of local communities and regions play to accelerate the speed and scale of the transformation needed during the next decade. Through a 'Collaborative Peer Review' exercise, participants will explore and learn drawn from two actions in Wales and Germany under each of these levers. With our expert facilitators, you will probe and constructively review the shared experience and to draw out principles or ways of working to increase the speed and scale of transformation.

#### Session A

**Option A1: Governance:** Explore how innovative modes of integrated governance and legislation can contribute to the transformation:

- **Governance for future generations- The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act:** Amelia John, Welsh Government
- **The Berlin Mobility law:** Dr Dirk von Schneidemesser, Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies

**Option A2: Economy and finance:** Explore how the concept of the Well-being economy can contribute to enhancing human well-being, and reduce environmental externalities:

- **The Foundation Economy:** Lee Sharma, Simply Do Ideas
- **Economy for the Common Good:** Christian Felber, Author and Initiator

#### Session B

**Option B1: Individual and collective action:** Explore the challenges and innovations associated with empowering and enabling communities and regions, with examples from post-industrial regions in Germany and Wales. The challenges of the post coal transition and innovative regional responses in:

- **Lausitz:** Evelyn Bodenmeier, Zukunftswerkstatt Lausitz and Dr Johannes Staemmler, Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies
- **South Wales Valleys- the Skyline Project:** Chris Blake, The Green Valleys

**Option B2: Science and technology:** With a focus on energy transition, explore and probe role of science and technology, to contribute to local, regional and global transformation:

- **Energy transition in Germany:** Prof Dr Johan Lilliestam, Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies
- **The development of Marine Energy in Wales:** David Jones, Marine Energy Wales

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## Plenary and Closing remarks for the morning session

### 12:45 Lunch, Networking and Display

## Share. Inspire. Act: Integrated Approaches to Transformation

Speakers include:

### Keynote Address

Rt Hon First Minister of Wales – Mark Drakeford AM

### Accelerating transformation through citizen participation and European collaboration

Prof Dr Patrizia Nanz, Scientific Director, Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies

### Giving a Voice to Future Generations

Sophie Howe, Future Generations Commissioner for Wales

### Sustainable solutions for Future Generations

Dr Marc-Oliver Pahl, Secretary-General, German Council for Sustainable Development

### Social Inclusion and Equality in a Sustainable Future

Prof Bela Arora, Global Governance, University of South Wales

### Digitalization and Sustainability (tbc)

Dirk Meyer, Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety (BMU)

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### Panel Discussions

What can we learn from people who are doing things differently, to increase both the speed and scale of our response to the SDGs?

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### Future Leaders' Feedback

Views from Future Leaders on the urgency and decade of action for the SDGs

### Closing Remarks

### 17:30 First Minister of Wales's Evening Reception

There will be opportunities for further networking during morning and afternoon breaks