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3rd International Conference on
**Smart and Sustainable Planning
for Cities and Regions 2019**

December 9-13, Bolzano (Italy)



**CALL FOR
SESSION PROPOSALS
PRESENTATIONS
POSTERS**

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Eurac's Research Group for Urban and Regional Energy Systems, is organizing the 3rd edition of the International Conference on Smart and Sustainable Planning for Cities and Regions – SSPCR 2019.

CONFERENCE THEME

By definition, smart and sustainable planning for cities and regions strives for digital innovation and the adoption of disruptive and clean technologies, while contributing to long-term environmental protection, developing new value propositions and adding to social justice.

The 3rd edition of the **International Conference SSPCR 2019** specifically wants to support the **'transposition' of research into practice** and visionary approaches into (planning) policies and tools, to be applied by local authorities and decision-makers in an urban and regional context. How can we **maximize the impact of academic research, the scaling-up and replicability opportunities of pilot projects, and the added value of local bottom-up initiatives**, in relation to complex challenges posed by the smart city/region approach?

By joining SSPCR 2019 you will:

- Discover how cities and regions are evolving into living labs, i.e. open innovation ecosystems
- Explore processes and procedures of co-creation, which integrate public, private, research and civil society actors
- Contribute to the conference's overall aim of shaping means of increasing the quality of life in smart cities and smart regions

SSPCR 2019 warmly welcomes contributions from different research fields: urban and regional planning, environmental and social sciences, economics, transportation, engineering and energy-related studies, computer science and geomatics as well as from the professional community.

THEMATIC TRACKS

SSPCR 2019's theme – unfolding in different thematic dimensions which address specific topics – has the objective of providing participants with a comprehensive overview of recent and original work in the field, and to build up shared knowledge among researchers, professionals, decision makers and civil society.

The main thematic tracks are:

1. **Shaping the climate and energy transition: clean energy and robust systems for all**
2. **Urban (big) data: challenges for information retrieval and knowledge discovery**
3. **New value propositions in times of innovation ecosystems and sharing economies**
4. **Dissolving borders: towards integrated territorial approaches, from smart cities to smart regions**
5. **Thriving governance and citizenship in a smart world: environments and approaches fostering engagement and collaborative action**
6. **Future mobility: autonomous vehicles or empowered pedestrians and cyclists?**

You have three options regarding your contribution to the conference: Either submit a proposal for 1) the organization of a session, 2) providing a presentation of your research or 3) developing a poster.

Please identify and indicate the thematic track to which you would like to apply.

The Scientific Committee will review each of the submissions to ensure that the conference includes a wide variety of session topics, formats, speakers and geographic coverage. Accepted abstracts will be included in the Conference Booklet.

The deadline for proposals submission is **July 15, 2019**. Proposal can be submitted **online only**.

1. ORGANIZE A SESSION

Formats other than the traditional presentations are encouraged, including: point/counterpoint, panel discussions, moderated debate, interactive workshops, world café, testbed for tools and apps, etc. Room arrangement as well as technical equipment should be agreed on. Your session will last 90'. At least 4 registrations related to your session are required. The registration fee is waived for the session organizer only. Results of the session may eventually apply to be included in the conference proceedings.

2. GIVE A PRESENTATION

Research and project contributions to be discussed in thematic tracks. Your presentation will last about 15' + Q&A session. Submitting a paper for conference proceedings is optional, but highly recommended.

3. SHOW A POSTER

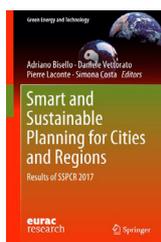
Early stage research contribution or project results to be shown in poster session (poster template will be available soon). No presentation. Submitting a paper for conference proceedings is optional.

WHEN & WHERE

SSPCR 2019 will be held in Bolzano (Italy), from 9-13, December 2019, at the **NOI Tech Park**.



CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS



After the conference, the Scientific Committee will review submitted papers and select those worthy of publication (only for authors attending the conference).

The SSPCR 2019 conference proceedings are published by SPRINGER and indexed in SCOPUS database. Fee-charging for Open Access publication is applied. The Open Access fee is waived for best papers. See Results of **SSPCR 2015** and Results of **SSPCR 2017** as an example.

KEY DATES

**15 July
2019**

**Deadline for
proposals
submission**

**30 October
2019**

**Deadline for
registration**

**9 December
2019**

**SSPCR 2019
starts**

SSPCR 2019 HIGHLIGHTS

- Listen to inspiring keynote speakers, discuss “smart and sustainable planning of cities and regions”.
- Choose from some 100 presentations in parallel sessions.
- Meet research and cooperation partners from over 20 countries to discuss future project ideas on smart and sustainable planning of cities and regions.
- Discuss about the most actual trends and innovation in planning issues and international projects.
- Publish your contribution on a scientific high level publication (Springer publisher, Open Access available upon request).
- Enjoy a rich social and entertainment program, including receptions, social dinner, and study tours.
- Discover the wonderful winter on the Dolomite Mountains and the magic atmosphere of **Bolzano** and its christmas market.



ABOUT SSPCR CONFERENCE

- Since 2015, SSPCR – a high level international communication platform for academics, researchers, professionals and decision-makers – is the right place to discuss your latest experiences and findings and to share your thoughts in a friendly atmosphere.
- SSPCR warmly welcomes interdisciplinary contributions coming from different research fields: urban and regional planning, environmental and social sciences, transportation, engineering and energy-related studies, as well as from the professional community and innovation projects.

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