

Contact point Luxembourg

Annual Conference 2021

Spatial planning for a better quality of life:
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10 November 2021

9:00 – 12:30

DE-FR-EN translation

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At least since the Covid-19 pandemic, citizens in all European regions have asked themselves the following question: How would I assess my quality of life? Which aspects matter to me for a good quality of life? The answers are very different, depending – for instance – on where the citizens are geographically located in Europe and on whether their life takes place in a rural, urban or cross-border area. This raises a number of specific questions and expectations vis-à-vis policy-makers. It is up to spatial planning to enter into a dialogue with citizens using a variety of tools and methods.

Within the framework of the activities of the ESPON Contact Point in Luxembourg, the Ministry of Energy and Spatial Planning of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg invites you to attend our annual conference on **10 November 2021 from 9:00 to 12:30**.

At this conference, we would like to discuss how quality of life can be defined and measured, how spatial planning can strengthen the quality of life in urban and rural areas, and which lessons we can draw from current ESPON projects in this area, such as [Quality of Life](#) and [ACPA](#).

In view of the current situation, the conference will take place **online** and you can register directly via the following **link**:

<https://events.dater.lu/event/raumentwicklung-fur-eine-bessere-lebensqualitatlaménagement-du-territoire-pour-une-meilleure-qualite-de-viespatial-planning-for-a-better-quality-of-life/>

Target group: The conference is specifically aimed at policy-makers and actors from the public administration at the national and local level, organisations and associations, as well as scientists and everyone who is interested in the subject of quality of life.

Conference languages: German, French and English (simultaneous translation)

Programme

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8:45 am – 9:00	Welcome & connection via Zoom
9:00 am – 9:15 am	Opening Remarks Claude Turmes, Minister for Spatial Planning in Luxembourg
9:15 am – 10:00 am	Spatial Planning and Quality of Life
9:15 am – 9:30 am	Sandra Di Biaggio, ESPON EGTC, ESPON Project „Quality of Life“
9:30 am – 9:45 am	Dr. Senyo Fofo Amétépé, STATEC, PIBien-être Project
9:45 am – 10:00 am	Antonia Milbert, Federal Institute for Research on Building, Urban Affairs and Spatial Development (BBSR), Equal Living Conditions
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Q & A
10:15 am – 11:00	Quality of Life in Urban Areas
10:15 am – 10:30 am	Piera Petruzzi, ESPON EGTC, ESPON Project „Adapting European Cities to Population Ageing“
10:30 am – 10:45 am	Myriam Bentz, Department of Spatial Planning in Luxembourg, <i>Quality of life in the territorial visions for the three agglomeration areas</i>
10:45 am – 11:00 am	Q & A
11:00 am – 11:15 am	Coffee Break
11:15 am – 12:15 pm	Quality of Life in Rural Areas
11:15 am – 11:30 am	Keynote speech: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alexandre Martin, European Commission, A Long-Term Vision for the EU's Rural Areas <p>.....</p>
11:30 am – 12:15 pm	Roundtable discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alexandre Martin, European Commission Martin Güdelhöfer, Entwicklungskonzept Oberes Moseltal (EOM) Marie-Josée Vidal, Department of Spatial Planning in Luxembourg Emile Eicher, Mayor of the Municipality of Clervaux
12:15 am – 12:30 pm	Closing words & outlook Claude Turmes, Minister for Spatial Planning in Luxembourg Wiktor Szydarowski, Director of the ESPON EGTC Remziye Yilmaz-Bozkus, ESPON Contact Point Luxembourg