



Urban Transformation & Countryside Revitalization: Assessing the Chances & Challenges

This event celebrates the start of the Jean Monnet grants at KGU. With our partners from Germany (TU Dortmund), we kick off research on **rural and metropolitan development** by analyzing recent trends regarding urban shrinkage, regional industry development and countryside revitalization from an international perspective.

This event, held in English, is open to the interested public. Free Admission.

Date & Time: 27 November 2019 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Venue: Kwansei Gakuin University Library Hall

(Nishinomiya Uegahara Campus)

Schedule

3:30 p.m. Welcome and Introduction

3:40 p.m. Presentation 1:

“Urban shrinkage in comparative perspective”

Prof. Dr. Thorsten Wiechmann, Dean, School of Spatial Planning, TU Dortmund University

4:10 p.m. Presentation 2:

“Renewable Energies - a Chance for New Regional Industry Development? The Case of the ‘Living Lab Energy-Avant-garde Anhalt ”

Prof. Dr. Holger Bungsche, School of International Studies, KGU

4:40 p.m. Breaktime

4:50 p.m. Presentation 3:

“Revitalisation of the Tamba Sasayama region”

Dr. Anna Schrade, Institute for Industrial Research, KGU

5:15 p.m. Presentation 4:

“Transformation of Polycentric Metropolitan Areas – A Future Project by the Research Training Group”

Dr. Letizia Imbres, Research Fellow, School of Spatial Planning, TU Dortmund University

5:40 p.m. Q&A & Panel Discussion:

“How to make urban and rural areas more future-proof?”

Prof. Dr. Thorsten Wiechmann

Dr. Letizia Imbres

Prof. Dr. Holger Bungsche

Dr. Anna Schrade

6:30 p.m. Closing

