

## Network conference of Spa-ce.net

# Management of historically developed urban and rural landscapes in Central, Eastern and South Eastern Europe 12<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> September 2016, Lednice (Czech Republic)

European cultural landscapes represent an important and inherent part of the territorial capital of countries and regions. They need to be effectively and efficiently managed in order to develop in a sustainable manner. The focus of the 2016 Spa-ce.net conference is to present, compare and discuss approaches, concepts and strategies as well as to learn from good examples and find common points about the management and development of urban and rural landscapes considering their history and their need of innovative approaches. Conclusions and recommendations can enhance decision-making at various levels from project design and spatial planning to policy-making.

The papers should address one or more of the following topics and relevant questions:

### a) Role and characteristics of historically developed urban and rural landscapes in Europe

- To what extent are landscapes suitable for the present demands of use?
- Which specifics are connected with the landscapes from a planner's perspective?
- What track record exists in handling and developing the landscapes?

### b) Current challenges of historically developed urban and rural landscapes

- Which role does population decline play within the scope of cultural landscape management?
- Which tasks and responsibilities arise from the increase of regional disparities?
- Which effects do energy landscapes have from a management perspective?

### c) Innovative approaches to the preservation, development and sustainable use of the values of historically developed urban and rural landscapes

- Which contributions have approaches like the biodiversity concept made to the landscape?
- Which new concepts and strategies are targeted by spatial planning?

Alongside representatives of the member institutions of the Spa-ce.net network and other interested researchers, PhD candidates undertaking research on one of the named topics are also invited to submit papers. The authors should send a 500-words abstract, indicating which of the three mentioned topics their paper most closely addresses. The authors attending the conference will also be asked to prepare a paper for the reviewed international scientific on-line journal EUROPEAN COUNTRYSIDE, published by De Gruyter Open Ltd.: <http://www.european-countryside.eu/>. The Mendel University in Brno (Czech Republic) is editor of the journal.

The application documents must be sent by **June, 30<sup>th</sup> 2016**. Please send your documents by email to [a.ortner@ioer.de](mailto:a.ortner@ioer.de). The selection and notification of participants is expected by the middle of July 2016.

## Organised by

Department of Landscape Planning at the Mendel University, Brno (Czech Republic)  
Leibniz Institute of Ecological Urban and Regional Development, Dresden (Germany)

For more information feel free to contact the Spa-ce.net conference coordinators:

Assoc. Prof. Dr.-Ing. Alena Salašová  
Department of Landscape Planning  
at the Mendel University,  
Brno (Czech Republic)  
Email: [alena.salasova@gmail.com](mailto:alena.salasova@gmail.com)

Dr. Andreas Ortner  
Leibniz Institute of Ecological  
Urban and Regional Development,  
Dresden (Germany)  
Email: [a.ortner@ioer.de](mailto:a.ortner@ioer.de)