

The importance of metropolitan regions for a sustainable future
The OECD in conversation with the Rhine-Neckar Metropolitan Region

Thursday, 26 January 2022, 16h00 – 17h30 CET

Opening & welcoming remarks

16h00 – 16h10

Moderator: Kirsten Korte, Managing Director, Zukunft Metropolregion Rhein-Neckar e.V.

- Aziza Akhmouch, Head of the Cities, Urban Policies and Sustainable Development Division, OECD
- Stefan Dallinger, Chairman of the Rhine-Neckar Regional Association
- Peter Kurz, Mayor of the City of Mannheim

Presentation of the OECD programme on A Territorial Approach to the SDGs

16h10 – 16h15

Lorenz Gross, Junior Economist/Policy Analyst, Urban Policies and Sustainable Development Division, OECD

Thematic introductions

16h15 – 16h35

Topic 1: Functional areas and the importance of multi-level governance

- Kristine Clev, European Affairs Manager, Rhine-Neckar Regional Association

Topic 2: Evidence-based Policy: The Importance of Monitoring Sustainability Objectives

- Sebastian Ohlmeyer, Senior Project Manager, Service Agency Communities in One World (SKEW)

Topic 3: From experience to co-creation: Rhine-Neckar's best-practice example Climate Arena

- Bernd Welz, Chairman of the Board, Klimastiftung für Bürger (climate foundation for citizens)

Speakers' Perspectives

16h35 – 17h25

Moderator: Stefano Marta, Coordinator, A Territorial Approach to the SDGs, OECD

Discussion with high-level speakers (30 min)

- Aziza Akhmouch, Head of the Cities, Urban Policies and Sustainable Development Division, OECD
- Stefan Dallinger, Chairman of the Rhine-Neckar Regional Association
- Peter Kurz, Mayor of the City of Mannheim

Discussion with the audience (20 min)

Closing remarks and outlook on the 2nd mission

17h25 – 17h30

Stefano Marta, Coordinator, A Territorial Approach to the SDGs, OECD

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