



## Energy Systems in Transition – The Role of Actors in Regional Change Processes

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### Programme

Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2018

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| 13:30 | Welcome (with Snacks and Drinks)   |   |
| 14:00 | Greetings (Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence – Europeanising Coastal Regions)<br>Introduction and Getting to Know Each Other  |   |
| 14:45 | <b>The Social Processes of Negotiating, Norming and Learning in Regional Energy Transitions</b><br>Jannika Mattes, Camilla Chlebna, Meike Löhr, Sebastian Rohe<br><i>University of Oldenburg</i> | Combining insights from transition studies, regional innovation systems and strategic action fields to understand regional change processes |
| 15:15 | <b>Understanding Actors and Their Role in Change Processes</b><br>Julia Wittmayer<br><i>DRIFT,</i><br><i>University of Rotterdam</i>   | Actor roles in transitions  |
|       | Deborah Rice<br><i>University of Oldenburg</i>   | Actors and agency in institutional theory   |
| 16:15 | Coffee Break   |   |
| 16:45 | Mario Neukirch<br><i>University of Stuttgart</i>   | Protests against electricity grid extension - Agents fighting for a decentralization of the energy system?                                  |
| 17:15 | <b>Discussion: Actors in Energy Transitions</b>  |   |
| 17:45 | End of First Day   |   |
| 19:30 | Dinner   |   |



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Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> May 2018

- 08:45 Welcome (with Snacks and Coffee)
- 09:15 **Wrap Up: Actor-centered Perspectives on Change**  
REENEA-Team
- 09:45 **The Role of Actors in Transition Studies and Institutional Theories**
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| Gerhard Fuchs<br><i>University of Stuttgart</i>                | Shedding light on actors by combining the multi-level-framework and field theory |
| Anne von Streit<br><i>Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich</i> | Actor constellations as drivers for regional energy transitions                  |
- 10:45 Coffee Break
- 11:00 **The Global – Local Dimension: Transitions and Scale**
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| Teis Hansen<br><i>Department of Human Geography, Lund University</i>        | Developing green industries in regions  |
| Christian Binz<br><i>Eawag, Zurich</i>                                      | Transnational innovation dynamics – Space, scale and the regional dimension of technological innovation systems |
| Ulrich Dewald<br><i>GEFAK Gesellschaft für angewandte Kommunalforschung</i> | Scale-transcending innovation systems for different technologies  |
- 12:30 **Discussion: Perspectives on Change**
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:15 **Transition Processes – Integrative Perspectives**
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| Peter Stegmaier<br><i>University of Twente</i>            | Discontinuity in socio-technical regimes – A typology of pathways and governance |
| Johannes Weyer<br><i>Technical University of Dortmund</i> | Governance of transitions  |
- 15:15 **Discussion: Synergy Effects and Research Gaps in Analysing Change Processes**
- 16:15 End of the Workshop