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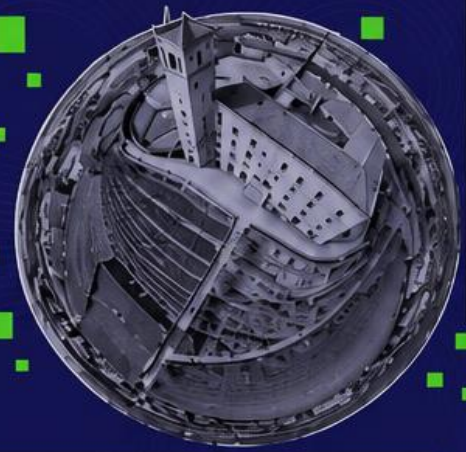
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THEMATIC AREAS



1. Society & Rural Communities

- Social change in contemporary rural areas
- Education, skills and pedagogical innovation in low-density territories
- Health, well-being and active ageing
- Rural youth, generational renewal and community leadership
- Traditions, intangible heritage and local identities
- Social inclusion, equity and territorial cohesion
- Social and economic sustainability in rural communities
- Community empowerment, participation and collaborative practices



2. Innovation & Rural Entrepreneurship

- Rural entrepreneurial ecosystems and enabling environments
- Social innovation and community-based solutions
- Collaborative workspaces, impact hubs and co-creation labs
- Rural economies and short value chains
- Digital transition and smart ruralities
- Social, technological and institutional innovation
- Rural entrepreneurship and emerging business models



3. Territorial Planning & Landscape

- Sustainable agriculture and local food systems
- Integrated landscape and ecosystem management
- Biodiversity conservation and environmental valorisation
- Circular economy and sustainable resource management
- Urban-rural linkages and territorial planning
- Land governance, land access and territorial justice
- European and national rural policies (CAP, Rural Pact, LTVRA)
- Energy transitions in rural territories



4. Climate & Territorial Resilience

- Vulnerability and resilience in rural territories
- Natural hazards, wildfire risk and civil protection
- Climate change adaptation and territorial planning
- Green technologies and renewable energies
- Environmental governance and risk management instruments
- Climate literacy and community capacity-building
- Climate change, environment and sustainable development



5. Tourism & Territorial Promotion

- Sustainable tourism in rural areas
- Tourism and environmental risks
- Events, culture and sport as local anchors
- Nature-based, cultural and creative tourism
- Geotourism, landscapes and human-nature interactions
- Authentic experiences, storytelling and new territorial narratives
- Integrated marketing and territorial branding strategies
- Creative hubs, collaborative places and culture-led regeneration



6. Security & Human Mobility

- European and global security in rural and cross-border regions
- Geopolitics, geostrategy and rural borderlands
- Migration, human mobility and community integration
- Human security and fundamental rights
- Geopolitical impacts on rural territories (energy, demography, markets)
- International cooperation and peacebuilding in rural contexts

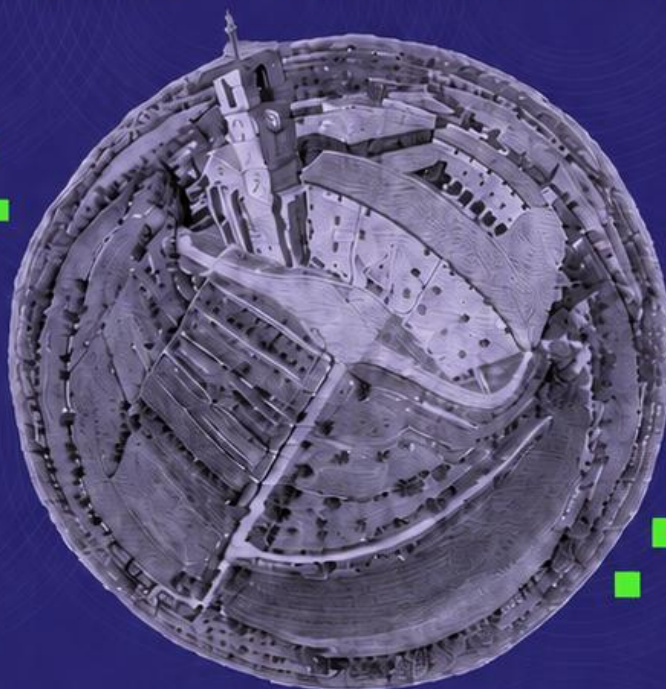


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Social change, cultural heritage, demographic transitions and community dynamics in rural territories.



2. Innovation & Rural Entrepreneurship

Innovation ecosystems, digital transformation, circular economy and new rural business models.



3. Territorial Planning & Landscape

Spatial planning, land governance, biodiversity conservation and sustainable land management.



4. Climate & Territorial Resilience

Climate adaptation, risk management and resilience strategies for rural regions.



5. Tourism & Territorial Promotion

Sustainable tourism, cultural events and strategies for promoting rural territories.



6. Security & Human Mobility

Migration, geopolitics, cross-border dynamics and security challenges in rural areas.



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