

# PARTICIPATORY URBAN AGRICULTURE FOR INCLUSIVE CITIES

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The final conference of the AgriGo4Cities project aims to promote participatory urban and periurban agriculture (UPA) in order to tackle socio-economic exclusion of vulnerable groups and stimulate sustainable urban environment.

Since the beginning of the project the partnership collected and synthesized relevant knowledge about UPA, developed a concept of participatory UPA and implemented pilot actions in six locations in the Danube Region to test the jointly developed methods.

The transnational conference, coordinated by the Central Transdanubian Regional Innovation Agency, will bring together scholars, practitioners, NGOs, activists, policymakers and public institutions' representatives with the aim of discussing the following topics:

- How UPA contributes to the development of vibrant community-building spaces, platforms for competitive economic models and clean and sustainable urban environment?
- How to integrate participatory approach into public decision-making?
- How to motivate and empower vulnerable/marginalized groups to become socially and economically more engaged by participating in decision-making processes?

The language of the conference is English, but Hungarian translation will be provided by the organizers.

There is no registration fee for the participants. However, the participants should cover their travel and accommodation costs themselves. Lunch and catering on the day of the conference will be provided by the organizers.





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8.30 - 9.00

## REGISTRATION

9.10 - 9.30

## INTRODUCTION

Johannes Gabriel, DTP JS  
Claudia Singer, EUSDR PA10  
Rudolf Shicker, DSP

9.30 - 10.30

## THEMATIC INSIGHTS: KEY SPEAKER LECTURES

Benoit Esmanne, DG for Agriculture and Rural Development  
Stefano Palmieri, President of Economic and Monetary Union  
and Economic and Social Cohesion,  
European Economic and Social Committee  
György Alföldi, Budapest University of Technology and  
Economics

10.30 - 11.00

## BREAK

11.00 - 12.00

## AGRIGO4CITIES TREASURES

Project basics  
Methodology of participatory UPA  
Application of participatory UPA  
Policy recommendations

12.00 - 13.00

## GOOD SEEDS: BEST PRACTICES FROM DANUBE

Dona Pickard, Bulgarian Academy of sciences  
Rudolf Shicker, Danube Strategy Point  
Ella von der Haide, University of Kassel

13.00 - 14.00

## LUNCH

14.00 - 15.30

## SPECIAL FOCUS: UPA IN HUNGARY

Tracey Wheatley, Transition trainer  
and Hungarian HUB member,  
Transition Wekerle founding  
member  
Imre Héglí, Head of the  
Environmental Department of XIth  
District Council Újbuda  
Monika Kertész, Head of  
Contemporary Architecture Center's  
Community Gardening Project

15.30 - 16.30

## FERTILE GROUNDS: UPA FOR THE FUTURE

Benoit Esmanne, DG for Agriculture and  
Rural Development  
Jani Kozina, Research Centre of the  
Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts  
Monika Kertész Head of Contemporary  
Architecture Center's Community  
Gardening Project representative  
Claudia Singer, EUSDR PA 10

\*UPA (Participatory urban and periurban agriculture)

