Where?

Study Region

During the first phase of the project, transdisciplinary work will take place in the region of Schwerin (city as well as adjacent districts Nordwestmecklenburg and Ludwigslust-Par chimpan), which was chosen as an exemplary urban-rural-transect.

Who?

Project Partners

- Leibniz Centre for Agricultural Landscape Research Müncheberg (ZALF) e.V.
- Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research GmbH – UFZ Leipzig
- Technische Universität Dresden, Media Centre
- Leibniz Institute for Research on Society and Space, Erkner
- Landeshauptstadt Schwerin, Urban Development and Business
- Amt für Raumordnung und Landesplanung Westmecklenburg
- Landgesellschaft Mecklenburg-Vorpommern mbH

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- Bundesverband der gemeinnützigen Landgesellschaften (BLG)
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Challenges

City and countryside are often seen as opposites. However, spatial development and the deployment of infrastructures are often only feasible through collaboration.

Frequently discussed topics include the development of settlements, safeguarding of open spaces, indirect change of locational qualities through digitalization, but also the possibilities of linking energy production and consumption.

Why?

Partners coming from both research and practice will work together over the course of the next five years in order to create solutions to reduce conflicts between cities, surrounding regions and rural areas and to establish new ways of reconciling seemingly opposing interests. Different aims regarding land use, infrastructures and energy production are the main focus of the project.

The project answers two main questions:

- Why do regional conflicts about land use emerge?
- How can fair and viable solutions for these conflicts be developed?

Objective

The project uses an approach that combines research and practical experience from the very beginning. Through transdisciplinary collaboration the different actors and their perspectives are included in developing and testing solutions for land use conflicts from as early on as possible.

Key steps:

- Analysing the exchange between city and rural areas as well as the existing regional collaboration
- Developing a regional dialogue between actors from practice and research regarding land use-based urban-rural interrelations
- Advancing models of regional interrelations and concepts of regional justice
- Developing new forms of land governance in the context of urban-rural interrelations
- Developing, implementing and transferring regional solutions

Approach

For whom?

The project aims at local, regional and national politics, businesses and non-governmental organizations.

Target groups

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