

Exploring the Foundational Economy for a Just Transition



Call for Papers & Contributions

From the 14-16 September 2023 we welcome the 6th Foundational Economy Conference in the heart of Vienna! During the course of our conference there will be keynote speakers and plenary sessions, parallel sessions as well as working groups and city walks. **Keynotes** will be given by **Julie Froud** from the University of Manchester, **Corinna Dengler** from the Vienna University of Economics and Business and **Adrienne Buller** from the Common Wealth Think Tank.

Multiple crises – war, global warming, natural disasters, famine and social injustice – are generating heightened insecurity among populations and trigger the search for security and stability. Defending, strengthening and expanding accessible, affordable and sustainable foundational goods and services is thus a cornerstone of an eco-social transformation that can secure everyone's basic needs. This conference brings together academics and practitioners to critically engage with the concept of the Foundational Economy and explore potentials for strengthening and building better foundational systems. A key concern thereby is to put approaches to the Foundational Economy in conversation with feminist and intersectional perspectives on social provisioning and eco-social transformation.

We invite researchers, practitioners and organisations to submit

- individual or co-authored academic (theoretical-conceptual, methodological and/or empirical) papers
- individual or co-authored policy papers
- self-organised thematic sessions with 2-3 academic and/or policy papers as well as
- self-organised panel sessions focussing on practice

Abstracts should be between 500 and 1000 words. We strongly encourage the submission of parallel sessions that include different kinds of input (e.g. a combination of scholarly

research, policy papers and contributions from practitioners) and actively create the space for interactive debate and mutual learning. We also strongly encourage early career researchers to submit their work.

1. THEMES & ISSUES FOR PAPERS & CONTRIBUTIONS TO PARALLEL SESSIONS

While we welcome papers and proposals for self-organised panel sessions on all topics relating to the Foundational Economy, we particularly welcome submissions addressing the following themes and issues:

- Feminist perspectives on care and the Foundational Economy
- Industrial ecosystems in support of the Foundational Economy
- Digital infrastructures and the Foundational Economy
- Energy infrastructures and systems, including issues of governance and regulation
- The dialectics of growth and shrinking: the Foundational Economy and post-growth approaches
- Challenges for public budgets & finance in enabling the transformational potential of the Foundational Economy
- Intersectoral and cross-sectoral approaches for the Foundational Economy

Submissions of academic papers will be reviewed by an academic committee; submissions by practitioner for panel discussions will be reviewed by the organising committee.

For further details on the call for papers and information regarding contributions & sessions please visit the conference website.

2. DEADLINES & ORGANISATION

Deadline for submissions: 15 April 2023

Acceptance notification for self-organised practice-orientated panel sessions: mid-May 2023 Acceptance notification for academic and policy papers: Early/mid June 2023 For papers to be included in the conference programme at least one author has to be registered for the conference by 3 July 2023.

For a full parallel session to be included in the conference programme it has to be confirmed by the group or organisation that submitted it by 3 July 2023.

The **conference language** is **English.** The conference will be held at the Vienna University of Technology (TU Wien). Further information on registration, the conference programme and other organisational issues will be made available on the conference website in due course.

The local organising committee of the conference consists of:

- Michael Getzner, TU Wien
- Leonhard Plank, TU Wien
- Astrid Krisch, TU Wien & University of Oxford
- Richard Bärnthaler, WU Wien
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