

Dear EUCALAND members and friends,

In our last newsletter we have informed you about two important EUCALAND dates:

1. Special EUCALAND session at the next PECSRL conference “Energy Production Systems and Rural Landscape Qualities”. The deadline for submitting abstracts was 31<sup>st</sup> January 2014. We have received quite a nice number of abstracts as well by members as also by non-members. The abstracts will be evaluated by the session’s organisers during the next two weeks.

Even if you have not submitted an abstract, the registration as participant is still open.

**Attention:** the number is limited to 200! (<http://www.pecsrl2014.com/index.html>)

2. The next EUCALAND working meeting will be hosted by our member Zdenek Kucera / Charles University Prague in March 2014. This year topic will be “enclosed fields”. We still have two places left. If you are interested in participating, you can contact the secretariat.

On the next pages you will find further calls and information in the customary form. We hope that they will be suitable for you. Your feedback is always welcome.

With my very best regards,

On behalf of the board,

Alexandra

## Conferences

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### **Tagung des ZELE "Ländliche Regionen mit Zukunft. von der Schrumpfung zu neuen Perspektiven für die ländlichen Räume in NRW"**

Location: Evangelischen Akademie in Schwerte, Germany  
 Date: 24-25 February 2014  
 Contact: Ulrike Pietsch; [ulrike.pietsch@kircheundgesellschaft.de](mailto:ulrike.pietsch@kircheundgesellschaft.de) (Tagungssekretariat)  
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 Iserlohner Str. 25; 58239 Schwerte; Germany  
 Web: [https://www.umwelt.nrw.de/landwirtschaft/pdf/zele\\_einladung\\_140224.pdf](https://www.umwelt.nrw.de/landwirtschaft/pdf/zele_einladung_140224.pdf)

### **1<sup>st</sup> European Conference for the Implementation of the UNESCO-SCBD Joint Programme on Biological and Cultural Diversity**

Location: Florence, Italy  
 Date: 8-11 April 2014  
 Web: <http://landscapeunifi.it/en/unesco-cbd-eng>

### **Combining Scientific Expertise with Participation: the Challenge of the European Landscape Convention**

Location: Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB), Brussels, Belgium  
 Date: 28-29 April 2014  
 Web: <http://igeat.ulb.ac.be/en/elc2014>

### **Methodische Zugänge zu ländlichen Räumen: Innovatives und Altbewährtes**

Location: Braunschweig, Germany  
 Date: 8-9 May 2014  
 Contact: Dr. Annett Steinführer; [annett.steinfuehrer@ti.bund.de](mailto:annett.steinfuehrer@ti.bund.de)  
 address: Thünen-Institut für Ländliche Räume; Johann Heinrich von Thünen-Institut;  
 Bundesallee 50; 38116 Braunschweig; Germany  
 Dr. Anja Reichert-Schick: [anja.reichert@uni-trier.de](mailto:anja.reichert@uni-trier.de)  
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 Fach Wirtschafts und Sozialgeographie; 54286 Trier; Germany  
 Web: [http://www.uni-muenster.de/imperia/md/content/aklaendlicherraum/aktuelles/ak\\_Ir\\_nachwuchs\\_workshop\\_ankuendigung.pdf](http://www.uni-muenster.de/imperia/md/content/aklaendlicherraum/aktuelles/ak_Ir_nachwuchs_workshop_ankuendigung.pdf)

### **International Conference of Rural Geography 2014**

Location: Nantes, France  
 Date: 8-13 June 2014  
 Web: [http://rural.conference.univ-nantes.fr/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=3:einladung&catid=1:allemand&lang=de&Itemid=110](http://rural.conference.univ-nantes.fr/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=3:einladung&catid=1:allemand&lang=de&Itemid=110)

**ISSRM Conference "Challenges of Urban and Rural Transformation"**

Location: Hannover, Germany  
Date: 8-13 June 2014  
Web: <http://www.issrm2014.iasnr.org>

**ICON-LA 2014 conference "Restoration, reconstruction and development of cultural, industrial and natural landscapes"**

Location: St. Petersburg, Russia  
Date: 10-13 June 2014  
Web: [http://icon-la.org/cin/eng\\_cin\\_index.html](http://icon-la.org/cin/eng_cin_index.html)

**SGEM 2014 14<sup>th</sup> International Multidisciplinary Scientific Geo Conference**

Location: Varna, Bulgaria  
Date: 17-26 June 2014  
Web: <http://www.sgem.org>

**GI Forum 2014**

Location: Salzburg, Austria  
Date: 1-4 July 2014  
Web: <http://www.gi-forum.org>

**WCEH 2014 World Congress of Environmental History**

Location: Guimarães, Portugal  
Date: 8-12 July 2014  
Web: <http://www.wceh2014.ecum.uminho.pt/>

**9<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Ecological Restoration**

Location: Oulu, Finland  
Date: 3-8 August 2014  
Web: <http://www.ser2014.org/>

**PECSRL 2014 The Permanent European Conference on the Study of the Rural Landscape "Unraveling the Logics of Landscape".**

Location: Gothenburg, Mariestad, Sweden  
Date: 8-10 September; 11-12 September  
Web: <http://www.pecsrl2014.com/>

**IRLA 2014 1<sup>st</sup> International Symposium on Efficient Irrigation Management and its Effects in Urban and Rural Landscapes**

Location: Patras, Greece  
Date: 26-28 November  
Web: <http://irla2014.irrigation-management.eu/>

## Miscellaneous

### AWARD BY THE SOCIETY OF AGRAR HISTORY (Gesellschaft für Agrargeschichte)

Call for diplomas

Prize: 1000 Euro

Target group: Alumni of history, agrar history, geography, ethnology and related topics.

Deadline: 31 January 2014

For more information: <http://www.agrarkulturerbe.de/preis.php>



### DOCTORAL COURSE ON LANDSCAPE AND MODERNITY IN LUND

The first aim of the course is to provide a methodological and epistemological foundation for research on landscapes. Although modernity is often associated with urban and industrial space, the course will pay particular attention to modernity as a long-term force in rural landscapes. The course will hence give attention to both the material, pictorial and scenic aspects of landscape, and historicize these in relation to processes of cultural modernization.

Last date for application: 1 March 2014 (on a first come – first served basis)

If you are interested send an email to: [tomas.germundsson@keg.lu.se](mailto:tomas.germundsson@keg.lu.se)

For more information: <http://www.keg.lu.se/en/education/doctoral-program/doctoral-course>



National PhD Course in  
Human Geography  
Spring semester 2014

## Recent publications about cultural landscapes

### CHALLENGES IN LANDSCAPE CARTOGRAPHY

Series editor(s): prof. Terry Marsden

Editors: J. Nogué, L. Puigbert, G. Bretcha and À.L.D. Ortiz-Miranda, A. Moragues-Faus & E. Arnalte-Alegre

Olot: The Landscape Observatory de Catalunya, Series 3, 2013, ISBN: 978-84-616-2668-7

The Observatory has recently published a new book on landscapes and cartography. It is the third volume in the series "Tools" in the "Landscape Documents" collection. It includes the results from the seminar entitled, "Challenges in Mapping the Landscape: Territorial Dynamics and Intangible Values", held on September 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011, in Tortosa. The book focuses on maps, leaving aside other ways of representing landscapes, and the challenges landscape cartography represents in terms of reflecting territorial dynamics and intangible values. The book will be officially presented on November 21<sup>st</sup>, at 7.00 pm in the Pi i Sunyer Hall at the IEC (Institute of Catalan Studies) in Barcelona.

[http://www.catpaisatge.net/eng/documentacio\\_plecs\\_ei\\_3.php](http://www.catpaisatge.net/eng/documentacio_plecs_ei_3.php)



**DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGE IN AUSTRALIA'S RURAL LANDSCAPES****Implications for Society and the Environment****Editors:** G. Luck W.; D. Race; R. Black

Springer Verlag & CSIRO Publishing, Collingwood, VIC, Australia, Landscape Series, (XVIII), 2010, 388 pp., ISBN: 978-90-481-9652-4 (Print) 978-90-481-9654-8 (Online)

Throughout history, humans have lived primarily in rural landscapes. In 2008, for the first time, the global population became predominantly urban. While much research has focussed on the impacts of increasing urbanisation, we have very little knowledge of the implications of these changes for rural landscapes. Global trends suggest populations in rural landscapes are, relatively speaking, in decline. Yet this broad trend is too simplistic and can be very misleading for researchers, land managers and policy makers. This generalisation often masks a much more complex and dynamic process of demographic change, with some rural areas increasing in popularity and experiencing new environmental pressures. The patterns of change can be broadly characterised in two ways: population decline and dissolving rural communities; and amenity-led in-migration - a trend identified in developed regions such as North America and Australia. Both of these patterns have substantial implications for the management and sustainability of rural landscapes and communities. This book examines broad and local-scale patterns of demographic change in rural landscapes, identifying some of the drivers of these changes using local case studies, and outlining the implications of changes for society and the environment.

<http://www.springer.com/life+sciences/ecology/book/978-90-481-9652-4>

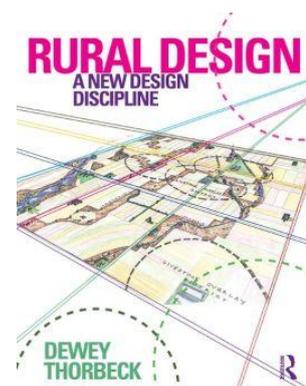
**RURAL DESIGN: A NEW DESIGN DISCIPLINE****Author:** D. Thorbeck

New York: Routledge, 2012, 272 pp., ISBN 978-0-415-59320-5.

Rural areas worldwide are undergoing profound change creating considerable challenges and stress for its residents and on the ecosystems upon which they depend. Rural design brings design thinking and the problem-solving process of design to rural issues recognizing that human and natural systems are inextricably coupled and engaged in continuous cycles of mutual influence and response.

This book is the first step along the path for rural design to emerge as an important new design discipline. Rural Design: A New Design Discipline establishes the theoretical base for rural design and the importance of looking at connecting issues to create synergy and optimal solutions from a global, national, state, region, and local perspective. To be effective and relevant, this new discipline must be founded on solid research, and practice must be based on data-driven evidence that will result in transformational changes.

<http://www.barnesandnoble.com/w/rural-design-dewey-thorbeck/1102342425?ean=9781136587368>

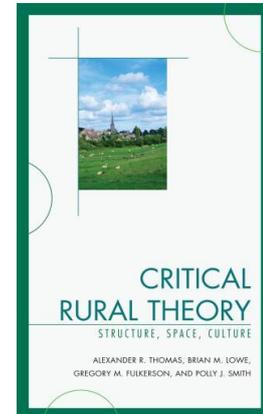


**CRITICAL RURAL THEORY STRUCTURE, SPACE, CULTURE****Author:** A.R. Thomas

Lexington Books; Reprint edition, 2013, 224 pp., ISBN 978-0-7391-3560-0 (paper back)

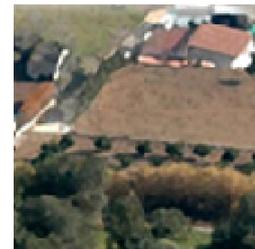
The overarching theme revolves around the many ways-structural, spatial, and cultural - in which urban systems create and maintain a hegemonic relationship with rural areas and people. Central to this theme is the concept of urbanormativity: the cultural assumption of the dominance and superiority of urban communities and patterns of life. Urbanormativity is an outgrowth of the structural forces in an urban society that favour the interests of cities over those of the countryside, of a generally exploitative relationship between the two. The structure of a society is encoded in the settlement space, which in turn influences one's experience. The experience of social space produces cultural dynamics that are reproduced from generation to generation.

<http://www.worldcat.org/title/critical-rural-theory-structure-space-culture/oclc/707726487>

**RECOMMENDED WEB SITES****LANDSCAPE AT LOCAL LEVEL**

The Landscape Observatory of Catalonia is highly aware of the importance landscape has at the local level. It thus recently launched its new website dedicated to landscape at the local level. This new space serves to gather, classify and order a selection of the main experiences around Europe on the promotion of landscapes locally, making them available to town halls, communities, local entities, specialised experts and the general public.

<http://www.catpaisatge.net/monlocal/esp/index.php>

**Publication possibilities****EKOLOGIA-BRATISLAVA**

**Publisher:** Institute of Landscape Ecology of SAS, Bratislava, Slovakia  
ISSN 1337-947X

Indexed in databases: <http://www.degruyter.com/view/j/eko>

The journal places the main emphasis on papers dealing with complex characteristics of ecosystems. Treated are not only general, theoretical and methodological but also particular practical problems of landscape preservation and planning. The ecological problems of the biosphere are divided into four topics: ecology of populations: study of plant and animal populations as basic components of ecosystems; ecosystem studies: structure, processes, dynamics and functioning of ecosystems and their mathematical modelling; landscape ecology: theoretical and methodical aspects, complex ecological investigation of territorial entities and ecological optimization of landscape utilization; human impacts: ecological consequences of anthropic activities on ecosystems. Published by Versita, open access journal.

<http://www.degruyter.com/view/j/eko>



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<http://www.eucalandnetwork.eu>**JOURNAL OF LANDSCAPE ECOLOGY****Editor-in-Chief:** P. Kovar, Charles University in Prague, Czech Republic**Deputy editor:** Z. Lipsky, Charles University in Prague, Czech Republic**Executive Editor:** P. Madera, Mendel University in Brno, Czech Republic

ISSN 1805-4196

Indexed in databases: <http://www.degruyter.com/view/j/jlecol>

Journal of Landscape Ecology is a peer-reviewed scientific journal publishing original research papers on spatial and temporal heterogeneity in natural and cultural land. The journal publishes papers supporting integration of knowledge from geo-, bio- and socio-sciences at the ecosystem and landscape level. Expertise from the spheres of land use planning and design, habitat and landscape typology, ecosystem management and biodiversity protection, spatial pattern in various area scales and rules of ecological processes are promoted. Published by Versita, open access journal.

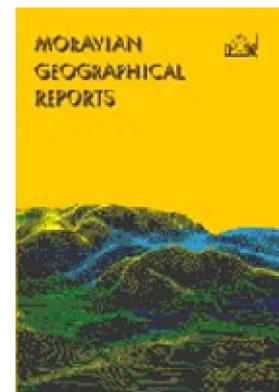
<http://www.degruyter.com/view/j/jlecol>**MORAVIAN GEOGRAPHICAL REPORTS****Publisher:** Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic (ASCR), Institute of Geonics, v.v.i., Brno, Czech Republic

ISSN 1210-8812

Indexed in databases: <http://www.scopus.com/home.url>

The emphasis at MGR is on the role of 'regions' and 'localities' in a globalized society, given the geographic scale at which they are evaluated. Several inter-related questions are stressed: problems of regional economies and society; society in an urban or rural context; regional perspectives on the influence of human activities on landscapes and environments; the relationships between localities and macro-economic structures in rapidly changing socio-political and environmental conditions; environmental impacts of technical processes on bio-physical landscapes; and physical-geographic processes in landscape evolution, including the evaluation of hazards.

Open access journal, available online.

<http://www.geonika.cz/CZ/CZresearch/CZMgr.html>**KLAGENFURTER GEOGRAPHISCHE SCHRIFTEN****Publisher:** Institut für Geographie und Regionalforschung der Universität Klagenfurt, Germany

ISBN 978-3-901259-10-4; ISSN 2308-9849

In der Schriftenreihe "Klagenfurter Geographische Schriften" veröffentlichen wir aktuelle Arbeiten der Mitarbeiterinnen und Mitarbeiter des Instituts für Geographie und Regionalforschung oder Arbeiten mit regionalem Bezug zu Kärnten sowie der Grenzregion Italien/Österreich/Slowenien. Von 1980 bis 2008 wurde die Reihe als eine traditionelle wissenschaftliche Schriftenreihe des Instituts für Geographie und Regionalforschung geführt. Mit dem Wechsel der Professuren im Jahr 2010 ging auch ein Transformationsprozess des Instituts einher und die Reihe wird nun in elektronischer Form (PDFs zum Downloaden) unter der Reihenherausgeberschaft von Univ.-Prof. Dr. Heike Egner weitergeführt.

<http://igr.aau.at/KGS>

Hans Peter JESCHKE und Peter MANDL (Hrsg.)  
Eine Zukunft für die Landschaften Europas  
und die Europäische Landschaftskonvention