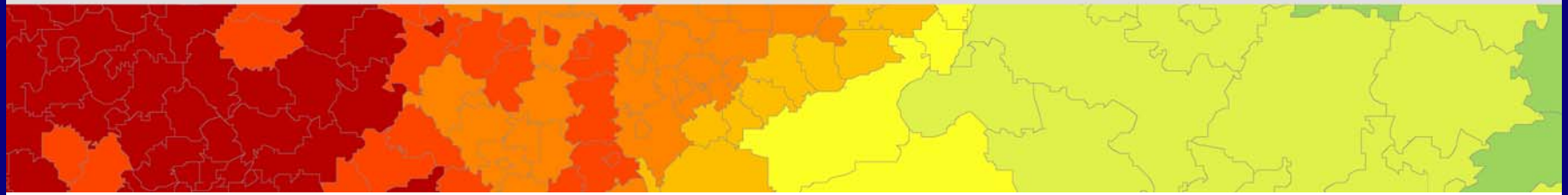




EUROPEAN SPATIAL PLANNING
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ESPON YoungStars Seminar 2 Budapest, 18-19 May 2006

Introduction to the seminar programme

Welcome

YoungStar Seminar 2

- The seminar is the second one in a series
- Intended to be continued regularly (annual...?)
- Addresses young researchers, planners involved and interested in planning, observing at the European scale
- Presents results of ESPON and gives opportunity to YoungStars to reflect and discuss European spatial issues
- Excellent opportunity for network building of YoungStars

The first YoungStars Seminar – Create Europe!

- Place: Ljubljana
- General ESPON presentations (mainly the first projects)
- Organizing ECPs: SLO-DE-GR-UK-NL-A
- Idea of having a next YoungStars Seminar in Budapest

YoungStars Seminar 2 – Reach each other!

- Continuation of the first one
- Organized by six ESPON contact points
Hungary, Germany, Slovenia, Finland, Greece, Belgium
- Co-financed by INTERREG III ESPON 2006 programme and the National Office for Regional Development (official ESPON contact point of Hungary)

YoungStars Seminar 2 – Reach each other!

- Focus topic: ACCESSIBILITY
transport, telecommunications, public services, information society
- Participants: 41
 - from 10 countries:
Austria, Belgium, Croatia, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Netherlands, Poland, Sweden, UK
 - average age: 33
 - fields of profession:
economics, environment, geography, landscape planning, law, political science, regional science, sociology, transport, urban planning
- Speakers: more experienced colleagues open to new thoughts
- Atmosphere: intended to be casual – feel free to talk!☺

Seminar programme

Day 1:

- Introduction to ESPON, Structural Funds and territorial cohesion
 - polycentric development
 - Accessibility in an enlarged Europe
- Policy trends and territorial impacts
 - Transport trends
 - Telecom trends and information society
 - Transport policy impact
 - Accessibility to the governance
 - Does an interrelation ship between accessibility and economic growth exist?

Seminar programme

- Day 2: Practical and interactive part of the seminar
 - Workshops:
 - Transport trends and territorial impacts;
 - Telecommunication trends and territorial impacts;
 - Information society, public services and its territorial impacts
 - Outlook on European Spatial Development
 - Scenarios for Europe
 - The Future of European Spatial Planning in relation to the next programming period

YoungStars Seminar 2 – Reach each other!

- Aspects arising during the Seminar:
 - Spatial analysis, spatial trends
 - Policy making, policy impacts
 - Implementation, instruments, structural funds
 - Common thinking about present and future Europe
 - Scenarios for the future
- The role of us, YoungStars in the future of Europe is significant

Enjoy the seminar