



# Invitation to an Experts' Coffee Break

The Climate Change Centre Austria hosts an interactive expert dialogue on

## Fostering Resilience in Urban and Rural Settings

Perspectives on Health, Communication and Implementation

at the
Austrian Pavilion (Hall E, Space 1)
13.12.2018



kick-off presentations followed by an interactive dialogue in groups Chair: **WORLICZEK Elisabeth, Ms**, Climate Change Centre Austria

#### 14:00 - 15:00 Perspectives on Health and Communication

HAAS Willi, Mr University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna Co-benefits of health adaptation and mitigation measures

**UHL-HAEDICKE Isabella, Ms**University of Salzburg

Undesired Side-effects of Climate Change Communication

'Zero emission' on the ground -

#### 15:30 - 16:30 Perspectives on Implementation

MILOS Jelena, Ms European Commission yet to be decided

WOERTHER Gernot, Mr

Climate and Energy Fund Austria

Implementing the vision 'Zero Emission Austria'

SIMADER Alexander, Mr Climate and Energy Model

Climate and Energy Model key learning points from Region Unteres Traisental & Fladnitztal pioneering rural regions in Austria

**GLOECKLE Dorothee, Ms** 

Climate Change Adaptation Model Region Vorderwald-Egg

Implementing climate change adaptation measures in rural areas in Austria

**KOWALSKI Katharina, Ms** 

klimaaktiv

klimaaktiv- best practices from Austria's impulse programme for climate change mitigation





### The CCCA as a Model for Collaboration: Connecting Science and Civil Society

The Climate Change Centre Austria (CCCA) contributes to the Conference of the Parties from the perspective of the national scientific community, highlighting the role science can play in fostering mitigation and transformative adaptation on local, regional and national levels. The CCCA represents the network of Austrian research institutions whose tasks include the scientific examination of and research on climate change related topics; this common effort increases the research community's visibility in civil society, the media and for national decision makers.

The approach of pooling scientific competences in a network may serve as an interesting example for smaller countries in particular, where the expertise in climate research is rather dispersed and a structured expert dialogue between politicians and science has not yet been institutionalised (e.g. Climate Policy Councils). The CCCA wants to motivate other science communities to engage in new formats of communication within their own communities in order to accelerate transformation processes and enable evidence-based policy making on all political levels.

Since 2011, the CCCA has been serving as a knowledge and data hub for scientific results, especially with a focus on inter- and transdisciplinary climate (impact) research. In accordance with the IPCC, the Austrian Panel on Climate Change (APCC) published its first Assessment Report[1] in 2014, addressing policymakers and advisors, experts, the private sector and civil society with a clear message concerning potential risks (of inaction), scenarios and priorities connected to different goals of decarbonisation. Since then, dissemination efforts have been made to provide decision makers in various sectors with tailored information such as the 2018 Special Report on Health, Demography and Climate Change[2]. In terms of dissemination activities, the CCCA targets the co-creation of knowledge by facilitating a dialogue between science and practitioners.

[1] Financially supported by the Austrian Climate and Energy Fund; 240 scientists from around 50 Austrian research institutes contributed; over 2900 review comments; https://www.ccca.ac.at/en/climate-knowledge/apcc/
[2] http://sr18.ccca.ac.at/