



## **CALL FOR PAPERS:**

**The 1<sup>st</sup> International**

## **Smart Cities in Smart Regions 2016 Conference**

**May 10 - 12, 2016 in the Sibelius Hall, Lahti, Finland**

The Conference is organized by the Lahti University of Applied Sciences in co-operation with number of international, national and regional partners and operators. Esteemed keynote speakers will give deep insight and latest knowledge during the conference. The first Keynote will be given by Mr. Markku Markkula, President of the European Union Committee of the Regions.

The Conference is an excellent meeting, networking and discussion forum and brings together thinkers, planners, practitioners, academics and experts from businesses, private and public sector government to share latest ideas, discuss products, processes and to debate issues and challenges around themes relating to the creation of more 'Smart Cities in Smart Regions'. Do not miss the most exciting happening in the field!

Programme will include interesting and up to date keynotes, parallel and poster sessions, workshops and site visits. More keynote speakers will be announced shortly.





## Conference themes and subthemes

### Future Development of Regions

- The Role and Impact of HEIs in Regional Development
- Entrepreneurial Universities
- Cities and Regions in Value Creation
- Smart Specialization
- Changing Work Life

### Citizens and Urban Sustainability

- Sustainable and Innovative Urban Planning
- Clean Technologies and Transfer Processes
- Digital Living
- Wellbeing and Social Cohesion
- Living Lab Activities

### Smart Industry and Innovation

- Promotion of Entrepreneurship
- Digital Business Opportunities
- Clean and User-driven Design
- Commercializing Innovations
- Alternative Financing

### Abstracts for oral presentations and posters

The call for proposals for oral presentations and posters on the above mentioned themes and subthemes is now open. Alongside academic papers, also best practises and case studies are welcomed and they will be accepted according to a more practical criteria. We encourage you to submit abstracts of academically or practically focused proposals, best practices and cases. Theory and practice will be equally emphasised in the programme.

### Important dates

January 31, 2016:	Abstract submission deadline
March 11, 2016:	Notification of acceptance and instructions
July 31, 2016:	Full paper submission deadline
September, 2016:	Conference Proceedings will be published online

### Registration fees

380 € / early bird for 3 days  
470 € / 3 days (registered after March 25, 2016)  
280 € / student

### Submission and further information

Submission: [Smart Cities in Smart Regions 2016 Call for Papers](#)

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