



3rd BOLSTER regional policy dialogue

Youth and Just Transition – between disengagement and active participation



15th March 2024 - 10:30 - 13:00 CET



Online

ABOUT THE EVENT

The [BOLSTER project](#) (Bridging Organizations and marginalized communities for Local Sustainability Transitions in EuRope) aims to understand how marginalised communities are affected by European Green Deal (EGD)-related policies and to see whether involving them in decision-making processes increases the support for transition plans.

In this framework, ECAS and the BOLSTER consortium partners are organising a series of 10 regional policy dialogues focused on the [project's target regions](#) and 3 EU policy dialogues..

The 3rd regional dialogue will focus primarily on the region of Halle (Saxony-Anhalt, Germany) while also including views from other regions and international perspectives on the just transition. The speakers will share their insights on the perception and the role of young people in relation to the green transition process. The dialogue aims to identify challenges and best practices to support youth engagement with the Just Transition process and to assess the effectiveness of participatory methods for involving youth in decision-making related to environmental issues.



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Programme of the event

Agenda

10:30 – 10:35 **Welcoming of participants and icebreaker questions**

Introduction on the BOLSTER project

10:35-10:50

Speaker: **Dr. Michiel Stapper**, Department of Public Law & Governance, University of Tilburg (The Netherlands)

10:50 – 11:15

Presentation: The Role of youth in the regional Just Transition in Halle (Saxony Anhalt, Germany)

Speaker: **Dr. Ammalia Podlaszewska**, Chairwoman at Culture Goes Europe Erfurt e.V. (Germany)

11:15 – 12:45

Panel discussion: challenges and best practices for an inclusive youth engagement in the green transition

11:15 – 11:45: Tour de table and introduction of the panel discussants

11:45 -12:45: Slido questionnaire and discussion with the panelists

Speakers:

- **Dr. Ammalia Podlaszewska**, Chairwoman at Culture Goes Europe Erfurt e.V. (Germany)

- **Alina Beigang**, Scientific Associate at Independent Institute for Environmental Issues (UfU) and Project Coordinator of the project RevierUpgrade. We. Now. Sustainable. (Germany)

- **Prof. Jonathan Everts**, Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, (Germany)

- **Katharina Krause**, Scientific project assistant at the Federal Institute for Research on Building, Urban Affairs and Spatial Development (Germany)

- **Daniele Taurino**, Board member of the European Youth Forum

- **Anna Bohuschenko** (Ukraine), International Researcher at Ecologic Institute (Berlin, Germany) and Climate Connaction fellow

Moderator: **Anita Marullo**, Project Coordinator at European Citizen Action Service (ECAS)

12:45 – 13:00

Final comments from speakers and attendees