



## Launch Pad for Young Researchers: Call for Presentation Proposals

### Academic Symposium on Metropolitan Innovation Ecosystems for Sustainable Transformation – Responding to Grand Challenges (Hybrid Event)

*Saturday, September 3, 2022, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm*

*Venue: Ruhr-Universität Bochum, Universitätsstraße 150, 44801 Bochum, Building IA, Room 1-117/123 Organizer: Competence Field of Metropolitan Research (KoMet) within the University Alliance Ruhr*

The organizing committee of the Academic Symposium announces an open call for **presentation proposals** directed towards **young researchers** (postgraduates and postdocs) in the field of metropolitan innovation ecosystems and the sustainable transformation of metropolitan regions.

The Academic Symposium is closely related to the **Metropolitan Innovation Summit Ruhr 2022: Creating Innovation Networks for Sustainable Transformation** (August 31 to September 2, 2022). The Metropolitan Innovation Summit brings together politicians, academics, and business leaders from the Ruhr and six other metropolitan regions that have undergone transformation processes towards knowledge economies: Tsukuba (Japan), Pittsburgh (USA), Tel Aviv (Israel), Randstad (Netherlands), Upper Silesia (Poland) and Greater Manchester (United Kingdom). Representatives from these regions are invited to take part in the Academic Symposium as well.

At the Academic Symposium, young researchers from different disciplines are given the opportunity to present their research projects and network internationally. Young researchers studying metropolitan ecosystems and processes of sustainable metropolitan transformation are invited to submit an abstract of 300 words or less, outlining title and content of the proposed presentation. In the abstract, you can present your research ideas, first results or the outcome of your dissertation or postdoc project. Please keep in mind that the presentations will be held in English and must not exceed the limit of five minutes and five slides. This short presentation will allow you to gain visibility with your research and to get connected with other young researchers and renowned scholars in the field.

Accepted submissions will lead to an invitation to present at the Academic Symposium's Launch Pad for Young Researchers (Saturday, September 3, 2022, 1:30 to 2:30 pm). Online presentations and participations are possible.

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#### **Submission process:**

Please mail the following information to Mr. Markus Gornik ([metropolenforschung@uaruhr.de](mailto:metropolenforschung@uaruhr.de))  
**by 15<sup>th</sup> July 2022:**

- Full name and academic title (if applicable) of the presenting young researcher
- Presentation title
- Brief abstract of maximum 300 words as a PDF

All submitted presentation proposals will be evaluated after the submission deadline. You will receive feedback as soon as possible after the submission deadline.

For further information, please contact the coordination office of KoMet [metropolenforschung@uaruhr.de](mailto:metropolenforschung@uaruhr.de) (Markus Gornik or Dr. Elke Hochmuth).