



Teleworking, commuting and the housing market in the post COVID19 era

NECTAR Cluster 4 workshop

Marne-la-Vallée, France

March 17-18 2022

Call for papers

It is our pleasure to invite you to a workshop of NECTAR Cluster 4 which will be held at Université Gustave Eiffel, Marne-la-Vallée, France, March 17-18 2022.

Main topic

The COVID-19 health crisis led to the widespread deployment of telework from home measures. This led many workers to re-evaluate their residential strategy, especially since these telework measures were accompanied by distance learning, and thus households could relocate with little or no constraint.

In the Paris region, it was observed that nearly 10% of the inhabitants left the region during the first lockdown of 2020, to move to their second homes or to family in the provinces. One year later, the demand for houses in the suburbs and suburban areas has increased very quickly, causing a rise in real estate prices. Medium-sized cities are attracting the same interest and the same increases in housing prices is observed.

The outcomes of such transformation are for the moment largely unknown. It is not clear if these changes will have a positive impact on global climate change. On one hand, telework seems to decrease drastically the commuting distances, but on the other hand e-commerce and new residential strategies of households yield higher GHG emission. Moreover, it is not certain that these observed trends in evolutions of the housing market are definitive.

This workshop proposes to address the question of the evolution of housing markets and access to the city due to the very rapid evolution of telework driven by the COVID-19 crisis, as well as the impacts of such transformations. Topics of interest include the creation of teleworking centres in neighbourhoods and policies to develop local retail and services such as seen in the quarter-hour city concept.



Topics of interest

The workshop will focus on the following topics:

- Housing prices in the post-COVID area
- Residential mobility, household residential strategies
- Evolution of commuting patterns
- Unemployment and shortage of skilled workers in specific sectors
- Evolution of telework and telework centers
- E-commerce, shops and business location strategies
- The quarter-hour city

Venue

The workshop is organized by Université Gustave Eiffel and NECTAR and will take place in Marne-la-Vallée, France.

Participation and fees

Up to 15 authors will be invited to present a paper in the workshop. The participation of one author per paper is free and includes one night's accommodation, dinner and coffee-breaks. NECTAR membership for the year 2022 (€70 or, for those under the age of 30, €40) is required in order to attend the meeting. Non-members can find details on how to join the association on the 'Membership' page of NECTAR's website: <http://www.nectar-eu.eu/membership/>

Abstract and CV submission:

If you are interested to participate in this workshop, please send an **abstract** of your presentation (about 500 words) including author names and affiliations and keywords, to Olivier Bonin (olivier.bonin@univ-eiffel.fr) and John Östh (john.osth@oslomet.no), before December 15th 2021.

The notification of abstract acceptance will be distributed early January 2021.

Organizing committee

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