



16th International NECTAR Conference
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**Call for papers for the thematic session of Cluster 4 (Travel, Migration,
Housing and Labour Markets)**

**Low emission zones: potential effects on vulnerable households,
housing prices and labor markets**

Low emission zones are gaining popularity because they seem a sensible means to act for better air quality, lower fossil fuel consumption, as well as for improving the quality of neighborhoods by preventing people to use their older cars. However, cars are still essential in many urban areas to access remote jobs, as well as for other mobility reasons, and less wealthy households can be heavily impacted by these measures.

Moreover, the effects of low emission zones extend well beyond car possession and car usage. Housing prices can be affected inside the low emission zones, which become “preserved” zones, reinforcing the border between center and suburb. Besides, activity poles can be discouraged to settle inside low emission zones because of logistics problems as well as reduced labour market.

Several low emission zones have been implemented long enough to evaluate the first global impacts of these initiatives so that researchers can evaluate their effects and impacts in all the spheres of sustainable development.

We invite papers discussing the following specific topics of interest:

- Effects of low emission zones on household’s economic vulnerability
- Effects of low emission zones on housing prices
- Effects of low emission zones on attractiveness for employment centers

Deadline for abstract submission: February 28, 2022. Abstracts should be submitted electronically, using the form available on the conference website and following the instructions found there:

<https://nectar2022.artsci.utoronto.ca>

A copy of the abstract should also be sent to Olivier Bonin (olivier.bonin@univ-eiffel.fr) and John Östh (john.osth@oslomet.no).

Criteria for acceptance

Criteria for acceptance are scope, scientific quality, NECTAR membership and the possibility to fit the presentation in a coherent conference session. We allow one paper presentation per participant. The number of participants of this thematic cluster session will be limited to 8. Abstracts out of scope for the thematic session can be transferred to a general sessions of the conference.

Venue

The NECTAR conference will be organized by the University of Toronto and hosted on its downtown St. George campus. Founded by royal charter in 1827, the University of Toronto is Canada's largest and top-ranked university, located in a growing global city with direct air connections to over 60 countries.

Participation and NECTAR membership

Registration, meals, and accommodation for one night will be offered to NECTAR members, for only one author per paper. One night of hotel accommodation will be offered to participants who have confirmed their participation before May 31, 2022. One night of hotel accommodation might be charged in case of late cancellations. All practical details will be communicated through the conference website. In order to participate in the conference, a consecutive and current two-year NECTAR membership is necessary (2021-2022). Non-members can find details of how to join the association on the "Membership" page of NECTAR's website: www.nectar-eu.eu/membership

COVID-19 considerations

For most travelers, entry into Canada requires proof of full vaccination. In addition, the University of Toronto requires proof of full vaccination for many activities that occur on campus. Please refer to the NECTAR 2022 conference website for up-to-date COVID-19 related requirements.

Important dates:

Abstract submission: February 28, 2022.

Notification of acceptance: March 31, 2022

Confirmation of attendance: May 31, 2022

We look forward to seeing you in Toronto!

Cluster 4 organizers:

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NECTAR is a European-based scientific association. The primary objective is to foster research collaboration and exchange of information between experts in the field of transport, communication and mobility from all European countries and the rest of the world. It is a multidisciplinary social science network bringing together a wide variety of perspectives on transport and communication problems and their impacts on society from an international perspective. For further information on NECTAR, use the link: <http://www.nectar-eu.eu>.