

## The workshop

The Blankensee workshop will explore linkages between studies of socio-technical change and governance. The objective is to foster exchange and understanding between the two research perspectives. Such encounters can generate new insight into the dynamics of the policy process as it interacts with socio-technical change. A consequence, hopefully, will be more politically robust approaches to shaping sustainable socio-technical transitions. The workshop's core themes are:

- Agency & Power: political contests over system innovations
- Participation & Legitimacy: cognitive and ethical orientation for system innovations
- Institutions & Change: conditions of political reform for system innovations

Full draft papers must be made available for circulation among workshop participants by 31 August 2007. Participants are expected to read all papers before the workshop.

The workshop is part of a series of three workshops entitled "System innovations for sustainable development" (see separate flyer attached below) and is endorsed by the working group "Politics & Technology" of the German Association for Political Science (DVPW). The workshop series is funded by the German research ministry's programme "Socio-Ecological Research", the Dutch Ministry for Housing, Spatial Planning and Environment as well as by the Dutch "Knowledge Network for System Innovations and Transitions" (KSI).

## Reimbursement

Accommodation costs are directly covered by the organisers. For reimbursement of travel costs, please submit original receipts by 31/10/07 (s.leukert@oeko.de).

## Organisation

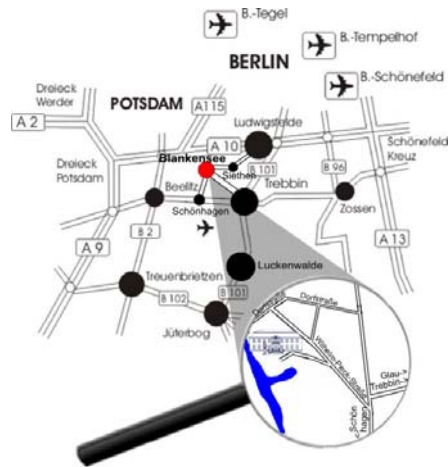
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## Venue

Schloss Blankensee  
Dorfstraße 1  
14959 Trebbin/Blankensee near Berlin  
www.schloss-blankensee.de



## How to get there

From Tegel Airport, take local Bus "TXL" to Berlin Central Station (Hauptbahnhof) (20 min). From Schönefeld Airport, take regional express or metro (S-Bahn) to Berlin Central Station (Hauptbahnhof) (ca. 30 min). At Central Station, change to regional express (RE 5 to Falkenberg or Lutherstadt Wittenberg, departure every hour) to Trebbin (35 min). You can find a trip planner at [www.vbb-fahrinfo.de](http://www.vbb-fahrinfo.de)

Train tickets through to Trebbin are available at the airport or station (3,60 €) at the ticket counters of all public transportation companies (including S-Bahn) and the ticket machines of BVG or DB. You can also purchase a BVG-ticket to Central Station (Zone A-B) and get a train ticket there.

For journey by car, see [www.schloss-blankensee.de](http://www.schloss-blankensee.de)

## Accommodation

Participants will either stay in Schloss Blankensee or in the nearby hotels "Park Hotel Trebbin" or "Zur Rose" (see accommodation list attached). For participants staying at the Schloss, taxi transfer will be organised from Trebbin Station. For participants staying at the other hotels (each in walking distance from Trebbin Station), a shuttle service will be organised to the Schloss where the workshop takes place. All participants are asked to let us (s.leukert@oeko.de) know by 6 Sept. when exactly they are due to arrive at Trebbin.

# Politics and governance in sustainable socio-technical transitions

19-21 September 2007  
Schloss Blankensee/Berlin

Third international workshop in series  
'System innovations for sustainable development'

Wednesday, 19 September 2007

**I. Transition management and policy-studies: an encounter**

- 16:00 **Introduction/ Chair**  
Jan-Peter Voß, Öko-Institut; Adrian Smith, University of Sussex/ SPRU; John Grin, Amsterdam University
- 16:30 **Theory and practice of transition management: the co-construction of a new strategic framework for sustainable innovation policy in the Netherlands**  
Jan Rotmans, Erasmus University Rotterdam/ DRIFT; René Kemp, University of Maastricht/ MERIT; Derk Loorbach, Erasmus University Rotterdam/ DRIFT
- 17:30 **Does transition management travel? Two case studies from Finland**  
Raimo Lovio, Helsinki School of Economics; Sirkku Kivisaari, University of Kuopio; Eva Heiskanen, National Consumer Research Council Finland
- 17:45 **Translating system innovation and new forms of governance to a 'pristine' policy context. Flemish experiences and a research agenda**  
Erik Paredis, University of Gent
- 18:00 **Environmental Political Economy, Technological Transitions and the State**  
James Meadowcroft, Carleton University
- 18:45 **Discussion**
- 19:30 **Dinner**

Thursday, 20 September 2007

**II. Engaging with system innovations**

- 9:00 **Introduction/ Chair**  
Adrian Smith, University of Sussex/ SPRU
- 9:15 **Empowerment and Transition Management**  
Flor Avelino, Erasmus University Rotterdam/ DRIFT
- 10:00 **Governing innovations in sustainable practice**  
Elizabeth Shove, Gordon Walker; Lancaster University
- 10:45 **Break**

- 11:15 **Biofuels transitions, power and sustainability: lessons for global governance from Brazil**  
Markku Lehtonen, University of Sussex/ SPRU
- 12:00 **Transition analysis of sanitary niches: Dynamics of purposive transition contexts within sanitary regimes in Indian cities**  
Govind Gopakumar, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- 12:45 **Discussion**  
Input I: Frank Geels, University of Eindhoven  
Input II: Franziska Wolff, Öko-Institut
- 13:15 **Lunch**
- III. Building legitimacy for system innovations**
- 14:15 **Introduction/ Chair**  
John Grin, University of Amsterdam
- 14:30 **Making democratic sense of socio-technical transitions for sustainability**  
Carolyn Hendriks, University of Canberra
- 15:15 **Technical knowledge in public deliberation: Toward a theory of contributory policy expertise**  
Frank Fischer, Rutgers University NJ
- 16:00 **Break**
- 16:30 **Mobbing for socio-technical transitions?! The normative dimension of transition dynamics as observed in Energy Regions**  
Philipp Späth, University of Klagenfurt/ IFZ
- 17:15 **Opening the black box: The political economy of participatory governance for sustainability**  
Jens Newig, Fritsch, Oliver; University of Osnabrück
- 18:00 **Discussion**  
Input I: Boelie Elzen, University of Twente  
Input II: Benjamin Nölting, Technical University of Berlin
- 19:00 **Dinner**

Friday, 21 September 2007

**IV. Institutional dynamics interfering with system innovation policy**

- 9:00 **Introduction/ Chair**  
Jan-Peter Voß, Öko-Institut
- 9:15 **Implementing Complex Policy Initiatives: Layering, Drift, Conversion and Policy Design as Alternative Outcomes of System Reform Efforts**  
Michael Howlett, Simon Fraser University
- 10:00 **Learning from the Other Team: The Small Aircraft Transportation System as a Governance Model for Sustainable Sociotechnical Transitions**  
Maurie J. Cohen, University of Leeds
- 10:45 **Break**
- 11:15 **Sustainable transition of electronics products: WEEE and RoHS linking innovation to governance policies on electronics waste**  
Erik Hagelskjær, Ulrik Jørgensen; Technical University of Denmark
- 11:45 **Adapting to protest as a form of state restructuring? The unintended consequences of Participatory Instruments on airport policy in France and Germany**  
Charlotte Halpern, Science-Po/IEP
- 12:45 **Discussion**  
Input I: Marten Arentsen, University of Twente  
Input II: Raymund Werle, Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies
- 13:15 **Lunch**
- V. Concluding discussion**
- Chair**  
Franziska Wolff, Öko-Institut
- 14:15 **Input**  
Mike Hodson, University of Salford/ SURF  
Victor Galaz, Stockholm University/ CTM
- 15:30 **End**

## Annex

### Train connections

→ Berlin Central Station (basement level) – Trebbin: Wed., 19<sup>th</sup> Sept. afternoon

Station/Stop	Date	Time	Duration	Chg.	Products
Berlin Hbf (tief)	Th, 19.07.07	dep 12:17	0:27	0	RE (Regional Express)
Trebbin	Th, 19.07.07	arr 12:44			
Berlin Hbf (tief)	Th, 19.07.07	dep 13:17	0:27	0	RE (Regional Express)
Trebbin	Th, 19.07.07	arr 13:44			
Berlin Hbf (tief)	Th, 19.07.07	dep 14:17	0:27	0	RE (Regional Express)
Trebbin	Th, 19.07.07	arr 14:44			

### Hotel accommodation

#### a. Schloss Blankensee

→ *Dorfstraße 1, 14959 Trebbin/Blankensee, Tel. +49-(0)33731 31190; [www.schloss-blankensee.de/](http://www.schloss-blankensee.de/)*

Participants: Avelino; Cohen; Fischer; Gopakumar; Grin; Hagelskjær; Halpern; Hendriks; Howlett; Lehtonen; Lovio; Meadowcroft; Newig; Paredis; Rotmans; Shove.

#### b. Park Hotel Trebbin

→ *Parkstraße 5, 14959 Trebbin, +49 33731 71-0; [www.parkhotel-trebbin.de/](http://www.parkhotel-trebbin.de/)*

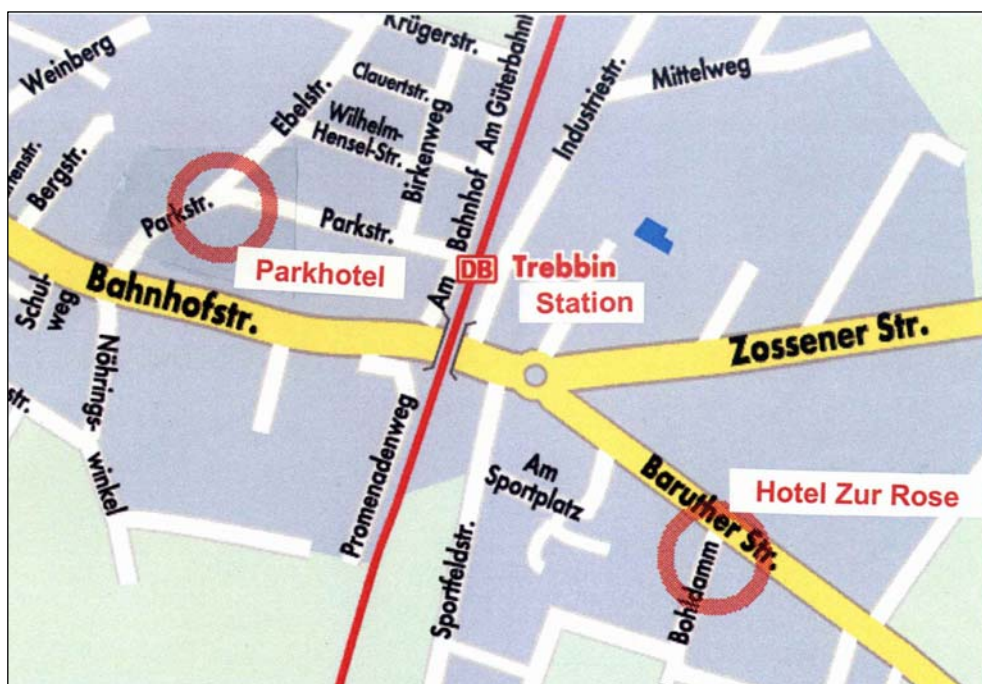
Participants: Arentsen; Elzen; Galaz; Geels; Hodson; Jorgensen; Kemp; Loorbach; Olsson; Raven; Smith; Stankiewicz; Walker, Werle.

#### c. „Zur Rose“

→ *Baruther Str. 34, 14959 Trebbin, Tel.: +49-(0)33731 846-0; [www.zur-rose-trebbin.de/](http://www.zur-rose-trebbin.de/)*

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### Map of Trebbin



Schloss Blankensee is ca. 10 km west of the village of Trebbin.

## Preliminary participant list

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