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Green transition, opportunity spaces and change agency in peripheral regions

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The ongoing grand transition under the slogan "greening of industries" is fundamentally changing existing economic systems. It can be assumed that this will have an impact on the emergence of new development paths at the regional level. This lecture discusses the contribution of the concepts of opportunity spaces and change agency to explaining new development paths in peripheral regions against the background of the green transition. On this basis, empirical illustrations will be presented using the example of the bioeconomy in north-eastern Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania. Conclusions for future research are drawn from these results.

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Bridging the old and the new in sustainability transitions: The role of transition intermediaries in facilitating urban experimentation

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As experimentation with niche innovations confronts the old with the new, intermediaries are important to bridge innovative niches and established regimes. The study moves beyond the "niche-regime dichotomy" to provide a more fine-grained conception of how novelty emerges in-between niches and regimes, as well as through within-regime dynamics. It provides an empirical exploration of intermediaries in local experimentation by analysing the research project "Dresden – City of the Future: Empowering Citizens, Transforming Cities!".

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Daniel Schiller is a full professor of economic and social geography at the University of Greifswald since 2016. He received his PhD and habilitation in economic geography from the University of Hannover and has worked at an economic research institute before accepting his recent position in Greifswald. His research is focused on sustainable transitions of regional economies, sustainable futures of globalization, spatial justice, and sustainable urban-rural systems. Daniel Schiller is currently the spokesperson of the BMBF-funded WIR! innovation alliance Plant³ which aims at initiating an innovation-based, sustainable structural change towards the bioeconomy in north-eastern Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania. He is principal investigator of research projects on change agency in relational-peripheral regions, societal innovation capacity and cooperation between science and business. His research has a regional focus on Germany, the Baltic Sea region and East and Southeast Asia.

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