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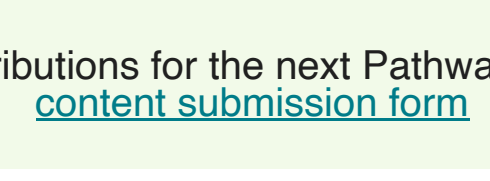
Pathways Newsletter May 2022

Dear Pathways enthusiasts,

It is never too soon to celebrate a community. The Pathways Initiative launched in September 2020 with the intention to foster a community of practice made up of researchers dedicated to advancing sustainability science by sharing knowledge, exchanging thoughts, and building capacity regarding pathways for sustainability. 8 months later, the consistent engagement and contributions from many of you in our activities, such as the [Pathways Forum](#) and the [Communication Grants program](#), shows that the Pathways community has come together in a beautiful way. This also attests to the welcoming and stimulating space of critical reflections and discussions you have contributed to create.

We look forward to continuing this journey with all of you.

Gilles Marciniak
& the Pathways Initiative Steering Group

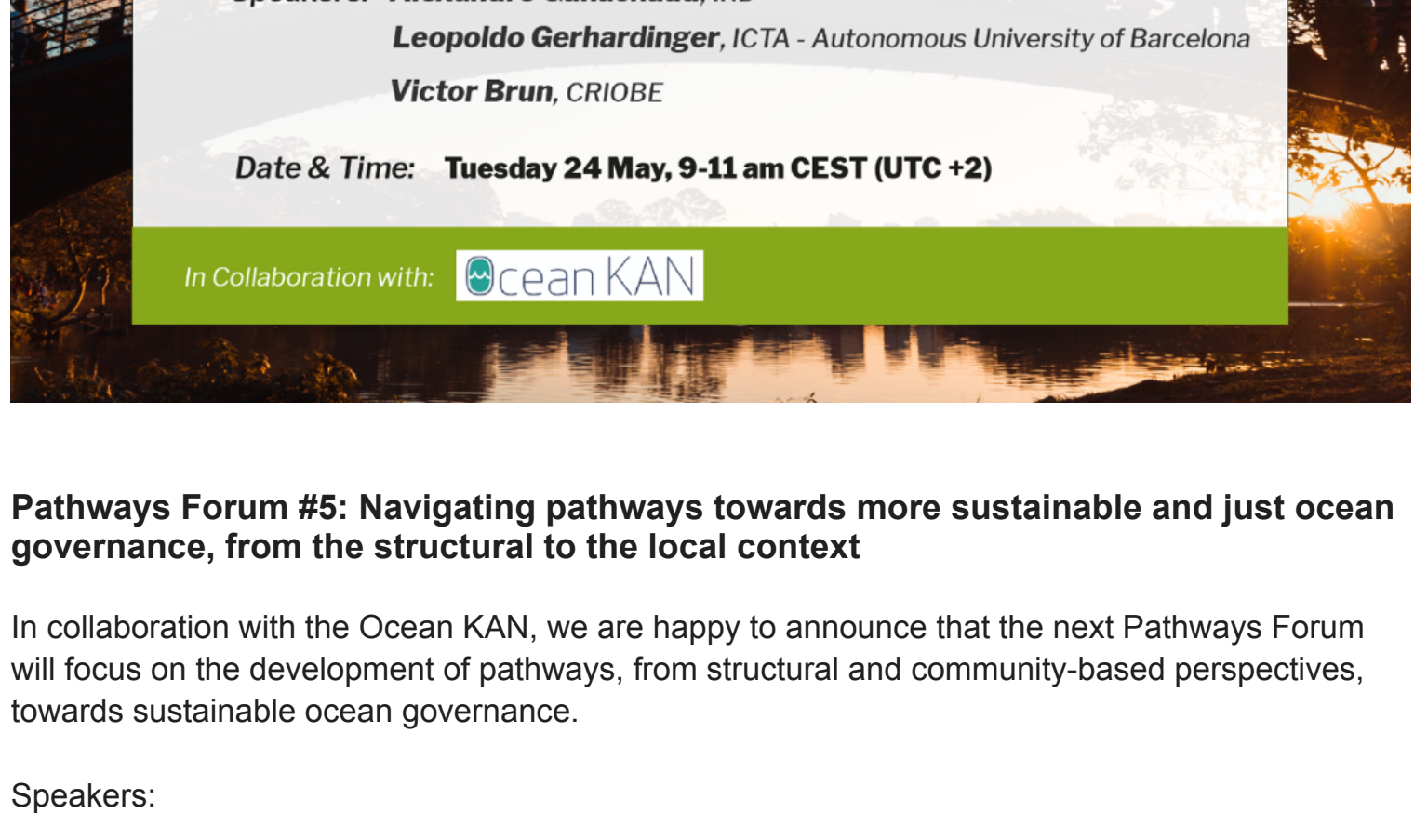


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News and Events

Pathways Forum



Pathways Forum #5: Navigating pathways towards more sustainable and just ocean governance, from the structural to the local context

In collaboration with the Ocean KAN, we are happy to announce that the next Pathways Forum will focus on the development of pathways, from structural and community-based perspectives, towards sustainable ocean governance.

Speakers:

[Alexandre Ganachaud](#) (IFD) works with the [Pacific Community \(SPC\)](#) on the vulnerability of Oceania's fisheries to climate change. He leads PACPATH, a transdisciplinary pathways-oriented research project aiming to contribute to ocean sustainability.

[Leopoldo Gerhardinger](#) (ICTA - Autonomous University of Barcelona) has been conducting transdisciplinary research using a networked knowledge-to-action approach focused on pathways towards structural changes in marine governance systems in Brazil.

[Victor Brun](#) (CRIOBE) is currently conducting research in the Philippines on the participatory processes through which [Sulubaa](#), a local NGO, works with local villages to create community-managed marine protected areas.

Date & Time: Tuesday 24 May, 9-11am CEST (UTC+2)

[Register for this event](#)

Opportunities

2nd Call for Proposals: Pathways Communication Grant



Pathways Communication Grant (Round 2)

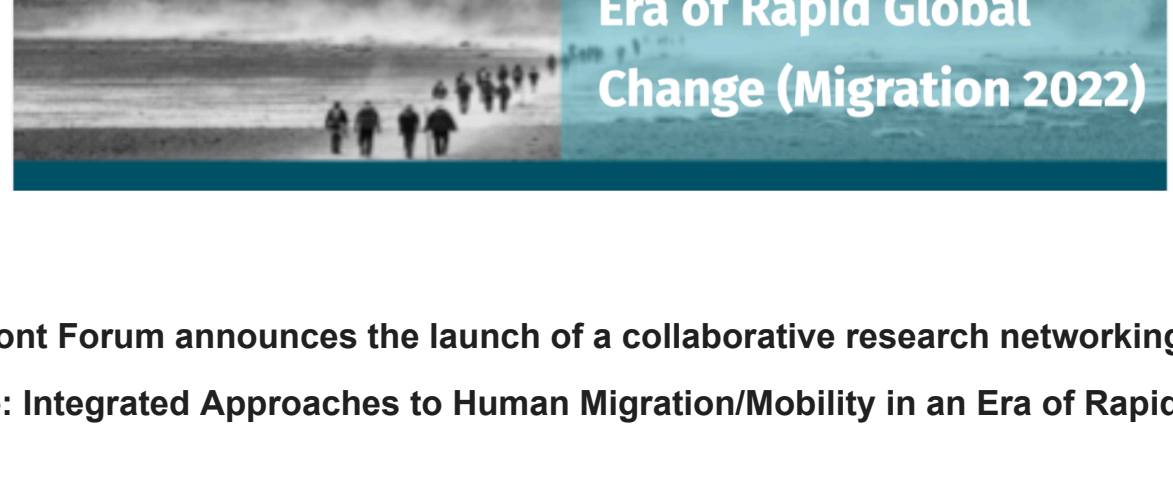
Following the success of the first round of the [Pathways Communication Grant](#), which closed on January 31, 2022, we are happy to announce a second round of funding which is **now open**.

Proposals should outline and describe the importance of the communication product and its potential impact on the development of sustainable pathways and refer to completed research outcomes of projects that advance the understanding of at least one of the three guiding questions of the Pathways Initiative (found in the call text).

[Learn more here](#)

Deadline for Proposals: September 30, 2022

Networking Call: Belmont Forum Collaborative Research Actions



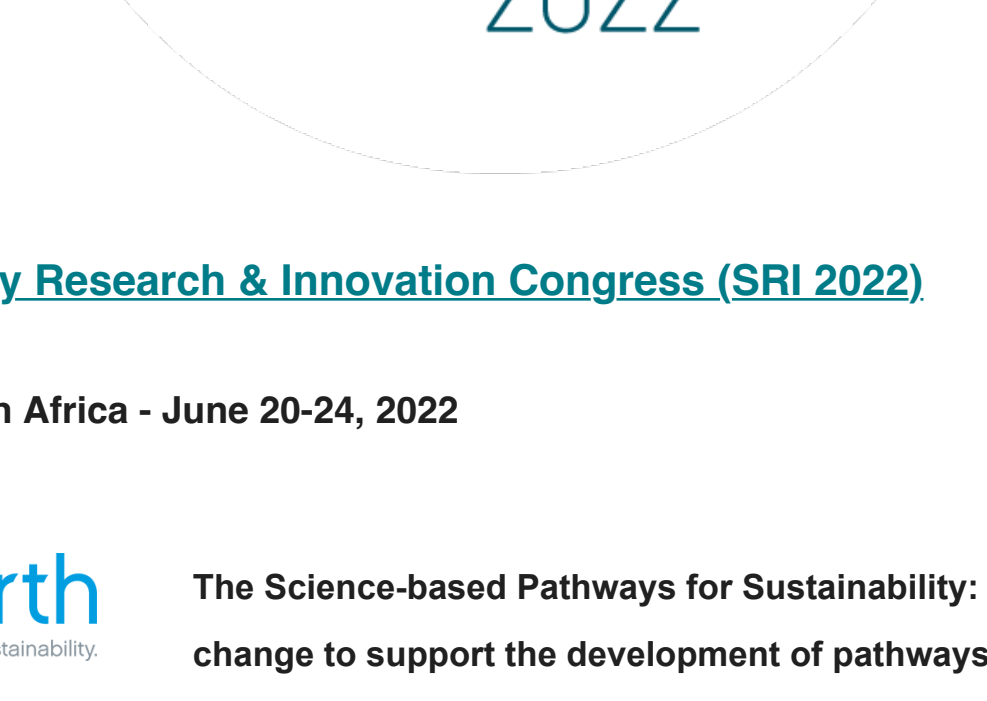
The Belmont Forum announces the launch of a collaborative research networking call on the theme: Integrated Approaches to Human Migration/Mobility in an Era of Rapid Global Change

This call is for proposals that contribute to an integrated systems approach to accurately characterise migration and mobility and its intersection with Global Change, both closely related and intersecting phenomena. Successful proposals will focus on illuminating the determinants of migration - why people move, do not move, from and to where and when, and on what time scale, in relation to Global Change processes like environmental and climate change, demographic changes, consumption patterns, energy use and land-use. Exploration of dependencies, linkages, and/or impacts between Global Change, migration and mobility, human constructs, social science and humanities approaches, and other studies are encouraged.

[Learn more here](#)

Deadline for Proposals: July 29, 2022, 20:00 UTC

Pathways Sessions @ Sustainability Research & Innovation Congress (SRI) 2022



Sustainability Research & Innovation Congress (SRI 2022)

Pretoria, South Africa - June 20-24, 2022

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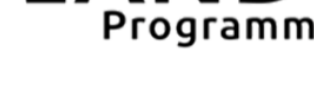
The Science-based Pathways for Sustainability: A theory of change to support the development of pathways on the ground

This session is connected to a set of pathways-related sessions stemming from Future Earth's GRNs (see below). It will serve as an open discussion, using the Pathways Initiative's proposed theory of change as a starting point, on the enabling and limiting factors that can be respectively mobilised and navigated in institutional landscapes that do not always support and encourage the uptake of pathways approaches.



Science-based pathways to sustainability in mountains

This session aims to explore understandings of and visions for a sustainable future in and for mountains, as well as to engage with researchers and practitioners in a process of joint learning on science-based pathways for Sustainable Mountain Development.



Ten Facts about land systems for sustainability

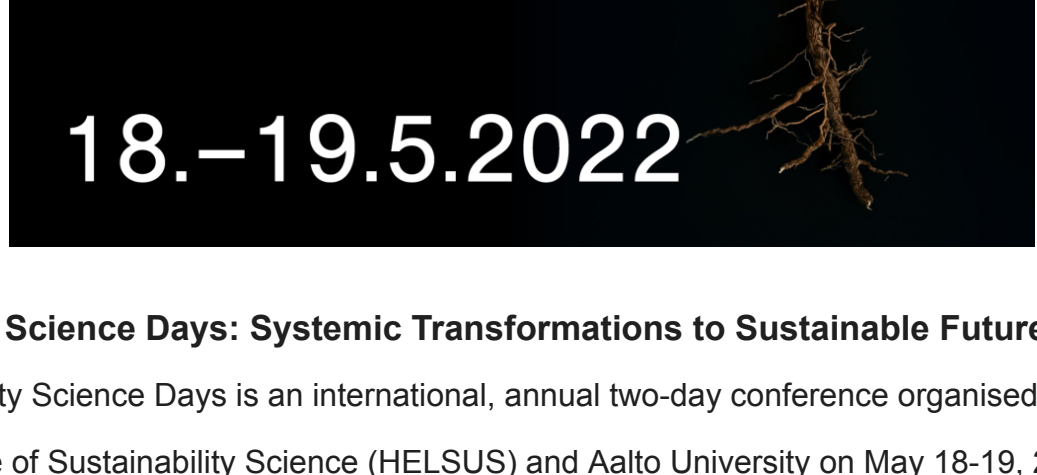
This session showcases an integrated science-policy interface GRN initiative launched in February 2022, with the publication of "Ten Facts Land Systems for Sustainability" as a peer-reviewed work of a group of 50 scientists (scientific steering committee members, fellows, and early career researchers) from 20 countries led by the Global Land Programme (GLP) who synthesized knowledge across the field of Land System Science (LSS) into 10 facts, with strong, widespread, empirical support in the Proceedings of the National Assembly of Sciences (PNAS). Identifying "10 Facts" about global land use and detailing opportunities for designing more sustainable and equitable pathways to land, taking the diversity of development goals associated with land use and management, the paper is accompanied by a website, [10facts.glp.earth](#) and 'report for policy and practice' guided by GLP's theory of change that improved understanding of land systems via the 10 facts can help people from civil society co-designers to global-level decision makers make better decisions on land.



Knowledge inclusion to promote ocean sustainability

This session aims to engage local communities and thus a significant part of the speakers and participants will be on-site. Other speakers will be from abroad and might or might not be able to travel depending on the pandemic situation. The session aims to engage with knowledge holders and communities in Africa and link case studies and experiences with other regions.

Sustainability Science Days: Systemic Transformations to Sustainable Futures



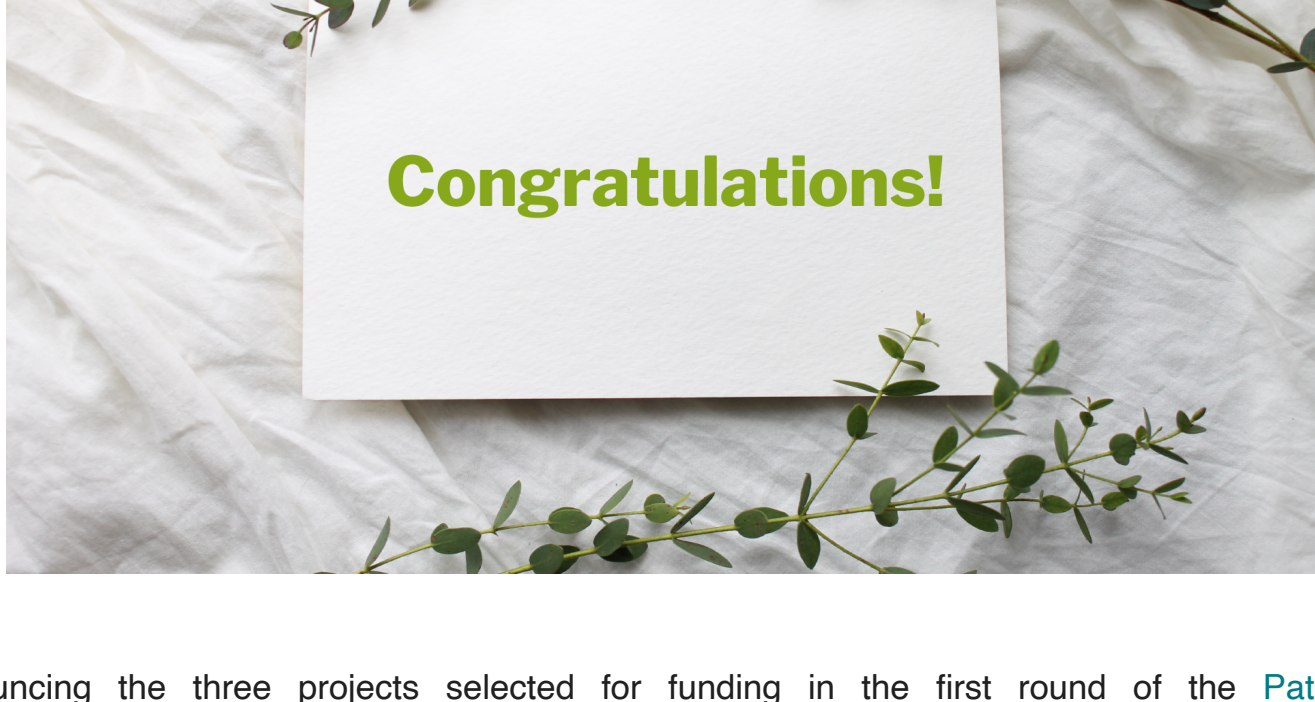
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The Sustainability Science Days is an international, annual two-day conference organised jointly by Helsinki Institute of Sustainability Science (HELSUS) and Aalto University on May 18-19, 2022. This year the conference will focus on the theme of systemic transformations to sustainable futures in a globally connected world and highlight the urgency to act now. This conference is open for all and free of charge, but registration is required.

[Learn more here](#)

Spotlight

Pathways Communication Grant Awardees (Round 1)



Announcing the three projects selected for funding in the first round of the [Pathways Communication Grant](#):

The backstage of transformations: a case of envisioning small-scale fisheries futures in a Global South context

10 Facts on Land Systems for Sustainability

Fair Food Futures: Engaging civil society in transforming food systems and localising the Sustainable Development Goals

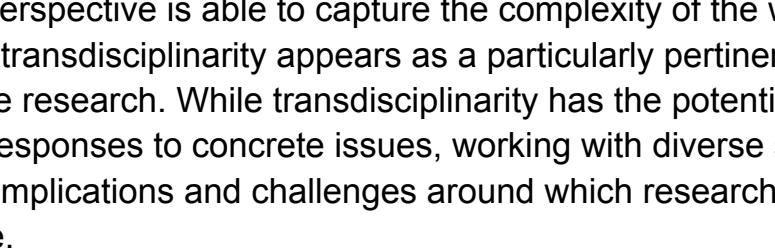
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-- Congratulations to all our winners and thank you for everyone who applied! --

The second round of the Pathways Communication Grant is **now open!**

[Find out how to apply here](#)

News from the Belmont Forum Pathways CRA

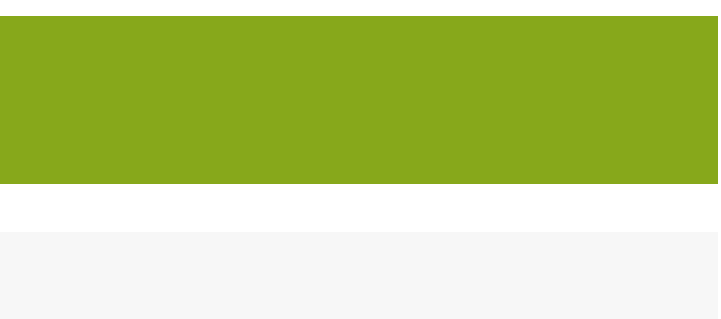
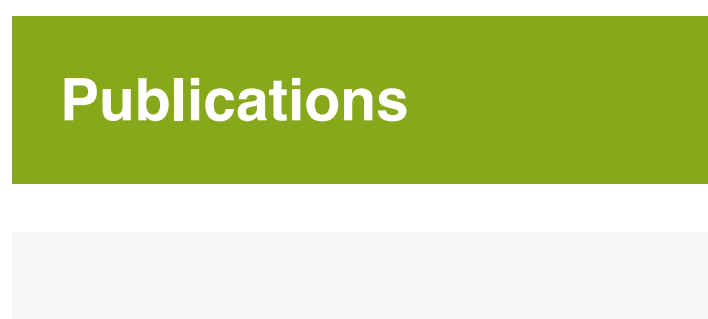


This section is dedicated to informing you about the 13 research networks that have been funded under the [Belmont Forum Collaborative Research Action \(CRA\)](#) on Pathways for Sustainability. [Learn more about the funded networks](#)

Because no single perspective is able to capture the complexity of the wicked problems we are currently facing, transdisciplinarity appears as a particularly pertinent approach for sustainability science research. While transdisciplinarity has the potential to heighten our understanding and responses to concrete issues, working with diverse stakeholders also comes with a set of implications and challenges around which researchers need to develop skills and knowledge.

In March, the Pathways CRA project partners convened for a webinar on the topic of practical implications of conducting transdisciplinary research, focused particularly on ways to ensure good stakeholders representativeness and to engage in processes of knowledge co-production. During the webinar, thematic discussions, respectively facilitated by Christine Fürst ([DREAMS](#)) and Bárbara Willaarts ([SDG Pathfinding](#)) led to the following suggestions based on the experiences of the Pathways CRA project partners. Due to evident time constraints these suggestions are not exhaustive, but can nevertheless serve as starting points for further exploration and discussion:

- Stakeholders representativeness
- Processes of knowledge co-production



Publications

Inclusive conservation and the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework: Tensions and prospects (2022, One Earth)

[Read the paper](#)

Co-creation research for transformative times: Facilitating foresight capacity in view of global sustainability challenges (2022, Environmental Science & Policy)

[Read the paper](#)

Towards a cultural lens for adaptation pathways to climate change (2022, Regional Environmental Change)

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Science with society: Evidence-based guidance for best practices in environmental transdisciplinary work (2021, Global Environmental Change)

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