The Regional Science Academy

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The Regional Science Academy (TRSA)

SAS date: Thursday, 31 August, 2023, 08:55-18:00 CET (local time)

Theme:
The Geography of Happiness:

The Urban Paradox in Well-being, Satisfaction and Love

Location & Room:
University of Alicante
(Aulario II Building)
Carretera San Vicente del Raspeig s/n
03690 San Vicente del Raspeig
Alicante, Spain
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Organizers:
Martijn Burger

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08:55 – 09:00   **Welcome and Introduction to SAS: Peter Batey, President,**

The Regional Science Academy (TRSA)

09:00 – 10:30   **SESSION A**

Chair: Peter Nijkamp

Keynote speaker: **Ruut Veenhoven**, on: '*Ways to Greater Happiness in Nations*'

Arthur Grimes

Micro-geography and Public Housing Tenant Wellbeing

Stefan Leknes

Who are Satisfied with Life in Cities? Evidence for 28 European Countries

Fabio Tejedor

Getting Started with Broader Welfare at the City Level: a Comparison with SDGs and the Doughnut Economy Approaches

Ioana Bejenaru

The Subtle Relation Between Smart City and Quality of Life: A Comprehensive Example from the City of Iași, Romania

10:30 – 11:00   **COFFEE BREAK**

11:00 – 13:00   **SESSION B**

Chair: Karima Kourtit

Rubia Valente & Adam Okulicz-Kozaryn

The Impact of COVID on the Urban-Rural Happiness Gradient

Soushi Suzuki

Evaluation of Educational Efficiency in European Countries – A Study on Improved Ratio Minimization in Data Envelopment Analysis

Jens Fyhn Lykke Sørensen

The Rural Happiness Paradox in Developed Countries

Paulo Jorge Reis Mourao & Alina Irina Popescu

Innovation on Happiness - Does it Matter?

Chiara Garau

Reframing the Smartness in the Context of Sustainable Islands Through the Perspective of Human Happiness

Darja Reuschke

A lifecycle Perspective on the Urban-Rural Divide of Life Satisfaction and Happiness

13:00 – 14:00   **LUNCH BREAK**

14:00 – 15:45   **SESSION C**

Chair: Peter Batey

Philip Morrison

Resolving the Urban Wellbeing Paradox: The Role of Education and Social Contact

Martijn Burger

Housing and Urban-Rural Differences in Subjective Well-Being in the Netherlands

Pui Hang Wong, Guney Celbis, Karima Kourtit & Peter Nijkamp

Job Satisfaction and the 'Great Resignation': An Exploratory Machine Learning Analysis

Yongda Yu & Xizhan Gao

Research on the High-Quality Development of China's Manufacturing Sectors and Spatial Effects

Arzu Taylan Susan

Assessment of Life Satisfaction and Social Capital in Urban Neighborhoods

Finbarr Brereton

Blue Space and Subjective Well-Being: A Review of Published Literature in the European Union

15:45 – 16:15   **COFFEE BREAK**

16:15 – 18:00   **SESSION D**
Chair: Martijn Burger
Camilla Lenzi
Urbanization and the Geography of Societal Discontent
Adam Okulicz-Kozaryn
Urban-Rural Happiness Gradient Theory: Mechanisms of Urban Unhappiness
Paolo Veneri
Good-life Cities. Identifyingt the Local Conditions Driving Subjective Well-being
Barsi Boglárka
Theoretical and Methodological Problems of Measuring Spatial Aspects of Happiness
Zeynep Elburz, Karima Kourit and Peter Nijkamp
Well-being and Geography: Analysis of Regional Well-being with Spillover Effects
Jaewon Lim
Does the Social Capital Accumulation Matter for the Happiness of Urban America?

Concluding Words