



In the context of the JPI Urban Europe's project Smart-U-Green, funded by the ERA-NET Cofund Smart Urban Futures call (<http://jpi-urbaneurope.eu/calls/ensuf-call/>), the **University of Reims Champagne-Ardenne** is opening,

A PhD position in Sustainable Urban Planning, addressing the following topic: Smart governance strategies for the urban rural continuum, in European urban regions.

The project

Urban landscapes witness major transformations that come with manifold conflicts involving different panels of actors. The project aims at determining new forms to address the reconfiguration of the rural-urban continuum—in the wake of transition to sustainability—in urban regions of the Netherlands, Italy, and France, together with local governments, local businesses, citizen initiatives and NGOs

This PhD position will focus on developing a **participatory integrated assessment method to explore governance options for the greening of urban landscapes**, in association with policymakers, NGOs, experts and innovative citizen initiatives. He will use as an input the results from other project's WPs, especially those concerning the various conflicting stakeholder perspectives on urban landscape quality, and the recent planning controversies on urban environment treatment.

Besides, he will produce and disseminate output relevant for society at large, including an online forum, which will generate feed-back for the dialogue.

Partners

- Erasmus University Rotterdam (Netherlands)
- University of Camerino (Italy)
- University of Reims (France) that proposes the PhD position
- Regio Drechtsgeden (Netherlands)
- Grand Reims (France)
- University of Guelph (Canada)
- University of Zagreb (Croatia)
- Pskov State University (Russia)
- Ekapraek (Belarus)
- Civilscape (Germany)

Position

- 3-year financed position on sustainable urban planning & planning.
- The research is part of a PhD program
- The research is supervised at University of Reims by François Mancebo



The applicant

- Has at least a master degree in relation with planning, urban planning, urban governance, regional planning, sustainability science or studies.
- Has interest in working with actors from the civil society.
- Has interest (and experience) in Urban Labs, Joint Fact Finding methods, or similar.
- Has experience in creating and running online collaborative platform and forums.
- Enjoys working on the ground.

How to apply

The applicant must include the following documents in a single PDF file. Kindly note the page limits for the proposal and do not exceed it.

- 1. A detailed motivation and cover letter** explaining the motivations of the candidate.
- 2. A Curriculum Vitae (CV)** (maximum length 5 pages) that summarizes the applicant's academic experience
- 3. Documentation of previous education** (a Master's degree and grade is essential; the written evaluation of the thesis may be included).

Due to the anticipated number of applicants, the application guidelines will be strictly enforced. Research Proposals should be single spaced, using Times New Roman size 12 font, 2 cm margins on all sides, numbered pages, and with a header stating the applicant's name.

The application deadline is March 1, 2017.

Material received after this date will not be taken into consideration.

University of Reims Champagne-Ardenne welcomes applications from suitably qualified candidates regardless of age, gender or ethnic background.

Candidates who do not follow the guidelines, incomplete, or late applications, will not be considered.

Application and contact at University of Reims

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