Call for Contributions

Advancing Sustainable Development: Sustainability Science Summit 2025

19-21 February 2025 | Kassel, Germany



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About the Summit

The Sustainability Science Summit 2025 will take place as an interactive event from 19–21 February 2025 in Kassel, Germany, with the Kassel Institute for Sustainability as the local host. The summit continues the series of the German Future Earth Summits organized by the German Committee Future Earth (Deutsches Komitee für Nachhaltigkeitsforschung in Future Earth, DKN). It offers a forum for national and international sustainability science, including but not limited to, activities within Future Earth and the World Climate Research Programme.

The summit will provide a forum for exchange on the latest scientific findings and trends in sustainability research. The contribution of science for sustainable development is the thematic umbrella for issues like justice and equity, biodiversity, extreme events, food systems, land use, social cohesion, health and wellbeing, energy and resources, and climate resilience. Furthermore, the academic landscape and research approaches and methodologies for sustainability science as well as for sustainable research shall be discussed. The aim of the summit is to foster a systemic perspective on sustainability science. The summit topics will be covered within and across disciplines, in scientific sessions, panel discussions, interactive roundtables, and other innovative formats.

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We invite session proposals on the summit topics as described above. Proposals on fundamental approaches in sustainability science, on the structure of the science and research landscape, on the interface of science and policy making and practice, as well as on the role of international networks and cooperation are of interest.

Sessions will have a duration of 90 minutes and can host talks or include workshop or discussion formats. It is also possible to submit individual contributions, but we have limited space for ensuing mixed sessions.

The deadline for submission of contributions is **30 September 2024**.

Session proposals need to include a session title, a description of the session content and format, expected outcome, and basic personal information (name, affiliation and position) of the potential session chair and any potential co-chairs. Please submit your contribution as one PDF-document (1-2 pages) to info@dkn-future-earth.de. Feedback on submitted contributions will be provided within four weeks after the submission deadline.

In case of questions, please contact info@dkn-future-earth.de.