

CALL FOR PAPERS

Extension of deadline for abstract submission to:

September 26, 2026



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Cities** 4th OPEN-AIR CITIES
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

**Local, Rural, Regional
Sustainable Development
& Urban Reconstruction**

**4 - 6 December 2026
Harokopio University of Athens**

Organised by:

- HAROKOPIO UNIVERSITY OF ATHENS
Postgraduate Programme SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
- SYROS INSTITUTE
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OPEN-AIR CITIES

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4th OPEN-AIR CITIES International Conference

“Local, Rural, Regional Sustainable Development & Urban Reconstruction. Environment, Economy, Society, Culture.”

Athens, December 4-6, 2026

PUBLICATION OPPORTUNITIES:

- **Conference Proceedings** (with ISBN) (free of charge)
- **www.sdct-journal.com** (free of charge)
- **GEOGRAPHIES** Open Access Journal (MDPI) ([scopus indexed](#))
- **STRATEGIC PLANNING OF ENERGY & THE ENVIRONMENT** Open Access Journal (RIVER) ([scopus indexed](#))

Details: <https://www.openaircities.org/publication/>

We are pleased to inform you that **the deadline for paper submissions to the 4th OPEN-AIR CITIES International Conference** “Local, Rural, Regional Sustainable Development and Urban Reconstruction. Environment, Economy, Society, Culture” **has been extended to September 26, 2026.** <https://www.openaircities.org/>

The conference will take place by physical presence at Harokopio University of Athens, Greece, between December 4 and 6, 2026, providing a platform for researchers and practitioners to present and discuss the latest developments in the field of Sustainable Development (Local, Rural, Regional and Urban Sustainable Development).

We invite researchers, practitioners and entrepreneurs to submit both empirical and theoretical papers that are broadly consistent in any of the Conference’s special topics.

MAIN TOPICS

- Theories of urban and regional development
- Sustainable cities and regions
- Sustainable rural areas
- Sustainable environment in cities and regions (natural environment, waste and water management, sewage systems, etc.)
- Sustainable climate in cities and regions
- Forest management and climate change
- Sustainable coastal and island areas
- Sustainable marine life
- Sustainable energy production and management in cities and regions (in the building and domestic sector, heating and cooling, energy saving)

- Circular Economy and sustainable development
- Transportation and sustainable development
- Sustainable economy in cities and regions
- Primary, secondary, tertiary production sectors and sustainable development
- Entrepreneurship and sustainable development in cities and regions
- Innovation and sustainable urban and regional development
- Sustainable consumption and production in cities and regions
- Culture and sustainable development of cities and regions
- Material & immaterial culture and sustainable development (historic cities, monuments, customs, etc.)
- Sustainable public works and infrastructure systems in cities and regions
- Tourism and sustainable urban and regional development
- New technologies and sustainable urban and regional development
- Education and sustainable urban and regional development (infrastructure and education systems)
- Social issues and sustainable urban and regional development (social infrastructure, poverty, health, social inequality, peer equality, unemployment)
- Peace, justice, institutions and sustainable urban and regional development
- Cooperation and sustainable development

IMPORTANT DATES

September 20, 2026 :	Deadline for abstract submission
September 5, 2026 :	Sending acceptance letters
October 15, 2026 :	Deadline for registration fee payment (Early Registration)
October 16 and onwards :	Late Registration
November 1, 2026 :	Announcement of the Conference Agenda
December 4-6, 2026 :	Conference Dates
January 31, 2027 :	Deadline for full paper submission
March 30, 2027 :	Publication of the Proceedings of the Conference

SOCIAL EVENTS

ONE-DAY TOUR TO NAFPLIO, Sunday, 6th of December 2026 (cost: 59 euros)



You can see details about the format and **submit your abstract and paper here:**

<https://www.openaircities.org/abstract-submission/>

You can see more details for **registration** here:

<https://www.openaircities.org/dates-registration/>

You can see the **keynote speakers** here:

<https://www.openaircities.org/keynote-speakers/>

You can see the **Scientific and Organizing Committee** here:

<https://www.openaircities.org/committees/>

You can see **who should attend and why** here:

<https://www.openaircities.org/who-should-attend-why/>

More information for the conference can be found at the webpage:

<https://www.openaircities.org/> (4th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE)

We look forward to your contributions and to welcoming you to Athens in December 2026!