



- Join us for the 9th edition of Sustainable Places -

28 September - 1 October 2021 | Hybrid Event
(virtual + physical sessions in Rome, Italy)

***Sustainable Places 2021 (SP2021) kicks off in two weeks.** The program agenda is drafted, the venue is prepared, we have secured a convention with a hotel for a special guest rate and Gala Dinner, workshop organizers are in full stride preparing their scientific workshops, the plenary sessions in Rome look outstanding, and a series of sponsors from cutting edges of research and innovation have joined their support to SP2021. We are always humbled at the community that comes together for this event and we look forward to welcoming everyone in Rome and online shortly.*

Program Agenda

The agenda for the overall program and plenary sessions are now drafted, published on the website and downloadable at the thumbnails below. These agendas are not final (85% locked). We continue to work with workshop organizers and presenters to deconflict whenever possible and that will result in slight changes. Do take note of the plenary sessions in Rome. They are exciting full morning roundtable discussions from high level speakers. Speakers will present in their natural language, translation will be provided to English and these sessions will be broadcast to the virtual audience.



1-page event overview



Rome Smart City



Cities in Transition (1st)

Convention with Hotel Villa Pamphili

Another good reason to join SP2021 in person.

We have arranged for a gala dinner and special guest rate at Hotel Villa Pamphili. This hotel is located adjacent to Villa Pamphili Park, the largest park in Rome and its concept can be found here: <https://www.hotelvillapamphiliroma.com/en-GB/hotel-overview>. It was recently renovated by one of our SP2021 attendee organizations and through them, this venue was made possible.

Included in the SP2021 registration is an organized transfer each day to and from the event venue at the EUR. The hotel is a resort and has plenty of space to network, relax and accommodate a dinner (weather pending) on a terrace overlooking Rome. We anticipate three types of travelers to the event, those that want to stay close to the venue (EUR), those that want to be in the city center of Rome (using Metro) and those that want a more quiet experience (this option with transfer). Rome is large and the expo area is not directly in the center - do plan accordingly. The SP2021 rate at this accommodation (VAT Included) is €150 for a single room, €160 for a double room and €205 for a suite. A €6 city tax is not included in these rates.

The provided daily rates include:

- Buffet Breakfast at the Hotel Restaurant
- Use of the outdoor pool with guest services
- **1 Transfer for the Event venue A/R per day**
- Wi-Fi throughout the property in both the common areas and bedrooms
- 10% VAT

The accommodation can be booked directly by email or phone using a credit card.

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VILLA PAMPHILI
ROMA



Scientific Workshop Planning & Promoting the Event

One week before the event we'll send registration links for the Hopin Platform and begin a series of rehearsals with workshop organizers upon request. With this link, registrants will be able to create an online profile and access the networking functionalities of the digital environment.

Participating EU projects and Sponsors can establish a "Digital Booth" which can be a slide deck, video or image. It is one way that viewers of the event can discover an organization or EU Project while listening to the content online or in person during the event. For projects that want to take advantage of this digital booth, an instruction page is provided [here](#) and the content should be mailed to zia.lennard@r2msolution.com. Uploading the content for the digital booths requires admin permissions within the platform so booth creation must be centralized.

All confirmed speakers are also welcome to send their project's poster, either a digital version for display on the conference website and/or a physical version for display onsite in Rome. Please reply to this email or write to zia.lennard@r2msolution.com for requesting the postal address and if return shipping is desired then prepaid postage should be included in the package. For rollups, a display case should be provided by the sender. For paper posters, a display mechanism will be provided by the conference.

To date, three workshops have inquired about unlimited participation to open their specific workshops for inviting project officers or advisory boards. This would encourage all project partners from each of the clustered projects to attend online and to be able to freely promote their workshop to public stakeholders (in each case without registering to the entire event). To respond to this request, we have made it possible to open these workshops for a modest hosting fee to cover the digital platform's 'per person' user charges. Please reply to this email or write to sustainableplaces@r2msolution.com if you

would like to open your workshop. Separate from this, we are happy to provide upon request 5 free workshop passes to each workshop organizer for the purposes of inviting project officers, technical reviewers and/or advisory board members.

Workshop banners are now widely circulating on social media. If you do not yet have your template together, let us help. We encourage each project to make the most of the Sustainable Places platform and we always encourage that our audience does not come to attend only their part of the event, but participates widely in the event activities overall. Especially for Italian partners this year – do make sure that they are aware of the plenary event sessions in Rome – they are unique. Several projects likely have Italian partners not yet fully aware of Sustainable Places (possibly they are even in Rome) and if you share this with them – they will likely be happy to join. Please pass this along.

An Update on Covid

In accordance with national protocols, this event will require the "Greenpass".

The timing, event concept and venues have each been designed and selected considering Covid. Overall, the situation in Italy is favorable and improving. All regions except Sicily are White (lowest Covid risk level) at the time of this writing. The venue is enormous, out of the center and we will occupy at between 25-30% capacity. The hotel (in this newsletter edition) and gala dinner are selected to have maximum space and to have a location that can properly accommodate our conference attendees for a dinner respecting the required protocols. In a smaller number, we are assessing the feasibility and demand for an aperitivo / walking tour in the city center and of course our delegates can enjoy the Rome city center individually or in smaller groups. Sign up requests for the social program and days registrants will attend the event will be sent shortly so that we can deliver the headcount information to the services that require those. Upon receipt, please do consider the signup request with special attention this year so that our information is reasonably accurate.

For questions, don't hesitate to contact us at sustainableplaces@r2msolution.com.

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