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Participatory Settings of  
Innovation: Challenges for the  
Co-Production of Knowledge

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International Expert Workshop

Friday, December 2, 2016  
Room A 310

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Participatory settings and democratic structures in knowledge production are a hot topic in science studies and science policy. Recent developments show that participation is an important factor to increase public and political legitimacy, especially when complex problems are characterized by a large societal impact and technological uncertainty. Still, the question remains open: how do different forms of participation in knowledge production influence and possibly change innovation processes? In this sense, participation can be regarded as an open concept that itself is co-produced.

This expert workshop will critically explore the challenges and chances of participatory settings in innovation processes. Further, the workshop will address the integration of different types of knowledge and epistemic regimes, the role of emotions, narratives and imaginaries as stabilizing concepts in the innovation process, and the influence of financial resources on these processes.

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### Introduction

10.00-10.15

Welcome and Introduction

**Dagmar Simon**, WZB; **Sebastian Lentz**, Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography, Leipzig

### Innovation and Participation

10.15-10.45

Challenges for the Co-Production of Knowledge

**Edward Hackett**, Brandeis University

10.45-11.15

New Forms of Complementarity in the Innovation Process

**Andrea Bonaccorsi**, Università di Pisa

11.15-11.45 Discussion

11.45-12.00 Coffee Break

### Imaginaries of Innovation

12.00-12.30

Imaginaries of Participation in Experimental Settings

**Anna Froese**, **Natalie Mevissen**, WZB

12.30-13.00

Travelling Imaginaries of Innovation: The „practice turn“ in Innovation Policy and the Global Circulation of „best practice“ Models

**Sebastian Pfotenhauer**, Technical University of Munich

13.00-13.30 Discussion

13.30-14.30 Lunch

### Innovative Designs of Knowledge Transfer

14.30-15.00

Participatory Learning Settings and New Media: Challenges for Knowledge Transfer via Geographical Societies

**Jörg Kosinski**, **Verena Ott**, Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography, Leipzig

15.00-15.30

Participation and Innovation in Urban Design

**Ilse Helbrecht**, Humboldt Universität zu Berlin

15.30-16.00 Discussion

16.00-16.15 Coffee Break

### Regimes of Innovation

16.15-16.45

Participation – A Success Factor for Innovation Management?

**Carsten Dreher**, Freie Universität, Berlin

16.45-17.15

The Transformation Challenge: Emerging of Epistemic Regimes of Innovation?

**Stefan Bösch**, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology

17.15-17.45 Discussion

17.45-19.00

Participatory Settings of Innovation – Towards a New Research Agenda?

Open Discussion

Discussant: **Alexander Wentland**, Technical University of Munich

19.00 Dinner

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