



Local Government and the Changing Urban-Rural Interplay<sup>1</sup>.

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**WORKSHOP IN WORKPACKAGE-2 (LOCAL FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS), WORKPACKAGE-3 (STRUCTURE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT), WORKPACKAGE-4 (INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS)**

**April 28, 2021.**

**17.00h.**

**Online meeting**

**Zoom link:**

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**REGIONAL PLANS ON DEPOPULATION AND INTER-ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATION**

The internal migratory flows reinforce the imbalance in the distribution of population between rural and urban areas. This population imbalance may jeopardize the provision of public services in both cases although for different reasons. On the one hand, local governments in rural areas have fewer resources to provide public services. On the other hand, governments in urban areas concentrating migratory flows experience under greater pressure on the provision of public services.

Local action tackling depopulation is partially embedded into regional plans in several Spanish Autonomous Communities. These plans differ on several grounds: (i) top-down versus bottom-up approach, (ii) depopulated-areas focused versus region-wide oriented plans, (iii) types of measures (fiscal incentives, public investment in infrastructures and services, among others). These factors may generate diverse dynamics in the interadministrative relations between the levels of government.

The previous situation in turn has been altered due to the approval of the Plan of Measures to Combat the Demographic Challenge (hereinafter “the PDC”), which will include an investment

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in excess of 10 billion euros, around 10% of the Recovery, Transformation and Resilience Plan. The overall aim of the Plan is fighting depopulation and guaranteeing social and territorial cohesion. The volume and short time frame of the funds coming from Europe require an exceptional organisational and management capacity on the part of the public sector. In this context, the reinforcement of the inter – administrative relations will be a key feature in order to develop joint strategies and concrete projects to implement the aforesaid Plan.

Bearing in mind the previous factors, the main objective of the workshop will be to address the relationship between depopulation plans and inter-administrative relations.

## **PROGRAM (April, 28. 17.00h)**

**17.00.** Presentation of the seminar. Alfonso Egea de Haro.

**17.05.** Introductory presentation by the external experts.

**18.00.** Discussion

**18.30.** Final remarks.

## **ISSUES TO BE DISCUSSED**

ESPAÑOL	ENGLISH
¿Qué lecciones pueden ser aprendidas de pasados planes y experiencias?	<i>What lessons can be learned from past plans and experiences?</i>
¿Cuál ha sido la participación de los entes locales en la elaboración de los planes regionales sobre despoblación?	<i>What has been the involvement of local authorities in the elaboration of regional plans on depopulation?</i>
¿Cuál es la participación de los entes locales en la implementación de los planes regionales sobre despoblación?	<i>What is the involvement of local authorities in the implementation of regional plans on depopulation?</i>
¿Qué relación y/o diferencias se establecen entre las zonas rurales y urbanas en los planes de despoblación?	<i>What relationship and/or differences are established between rural and urban areas in depopulation plans?</i>
¿Qué formas de colaboración interadministrativa están contemplada en los planes de despoblación?	<i>What forms of inter-administrative collaboration are included in the depopulation plans?</i>
¿Qué papel juegan las Diputaciones provinciales en los planes regionales sobre despoblación?	<i>What is the role of Provincial Councils on regional plans on depopulation?</i>
¿Cuáles son las causas que explican el proceso de despoblación?	<i>What are the causes behind the depopulation process?</i>
¿Cuál es el modelo de gobernanza del plan regional?	<i>What is the governance model of the regional plan?</i>
¿En qué medida el PDC actual difiere de los Planes Europeos previos?	<i>To what extent does the PDC differ from previous European Plans?</i>
¿Se han diseñado acciones conjuntas para participar en proyectos del PDC?	<i>Have joint actions been designed to participate in projects of the PDC?</i>

En caso afirmativo, ¿Cuál es la estructura de las acciones conjuntas? En concreto, ¿Qué papel juegan las Diputaciones?	<i>If so, what is the structure of the joint actions? In particular, what role do the Provincial Councils play?</i>
¿En que áreas se centran los proyectos?	<i>What areas are the projects focused on?</i>

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## **INTRODUCTORY READINGS**

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