

# FUTURE Days

L'évènement annuel sur les villes de demain

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## **THE 4TH EDITION OF THE FUTURE DAYS WILL BE HELD FROM DECEMBER 1 TO 3, 2020 ON THE THEMATIC "SCIENCE AND PUBLIC POLICY SUPPORT FOR URBAN TERRITORIES"**

Hosted by Université Gustave Eiffel for the very first time, this year FUTURE Days will be held from the 1st to the 3rd of December 2020. The event will welcome researchers from all disciplines, major players from local and regional authorities and companies, who are all looking to pool their knowledge, compare experiences, and learn from national and international experts.

### [Bringing about a paradigm shift in the way we address urban challenges](#)

**The scientific community has been called upon to address major challenges and create sustainable development agendas, particularly for towns and cities, with recent international reports focusing specifically on urban research.**

These challenges call for innovative ideas - or even completely new advances - that will support urban transformation, both now and in the future. The scientific community and institutional and socio-economic players must all share this desire to bring about a paradigm shift in the way that people think about and resolve urban challenges.

**FUTURE Days - the annual event that focuses on the cities of the future - will host discussions on the recent results and insights gained from the latest research and innovations.** Some of these meetings will be organised around sessions based on contributions from the researchers and universities who have been invited to participate as well as the involvement of non-academic participants. In order to highlight the diversity of the fields involved with the public policies that are implemented in towns and cities, the sessions will cover a wide variety of disciplines including - but not limited to - materials science, physics, digital technology, ecology, geoscience, economics, civil engineering, psychology, logistics. These may include policies related to transport, mobility, housing, construction, planning and resource management, and their associated services, culture, architecture, and education, among others.

*« Based on the theme 'Science and public policy support for urban territories', the aim of FUTURE Days 2020 – with its chosen formats, as well as with the speakers in the programme - is to*

*decompartmentalise the professional communities and the debates, which are too often restricted to their different sectors. This is why we, in collaboration with the event partners, have come up with a wide range of different formats, mixing round tables, workshops and conferences with opportunities to discover research equipment or meet emerging start-ups,”* explains Cécile Delolme, Deputy Vice President of Université Gustave Eiffel in charge of transformative projects and social missions.

*“We hope that we will once again be able to give the professionals attending the event the opportunity to exchange their ideas and involve the students on campus, who are the professionals of the future. The discussions they have will also contribute to new ideas that we will then be able to expand upon at a later date,”* adds Corinne Blanquart, Vice President of Université Gustave Eiffel in charge of transformative projects and social missions.”

The objective for all participants of this 4th edition of FUTURE Days is to share their analyses, compare their experiences and be inspired by different ideas that will help them think about and find solutions to the multitude of urban challenges that society faces today.

### FUTURE Days in figures:



- **3 days to exchange**
- **150 speakers**
- **13 partners**
- **29 conferences, workshops and round tables**



- **4 Research equipments to visit**
- **5 emerging startups to meet**
- **Présentation of student projects**

### **Program and registration on the FUTURE Days website:**

<https://www.futuredays.fr/en/programme/check-the-programme/>

#### **Useful information:**

Location of the event:

Université Gustave Eiffel

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