

# ADDING VALUE THROUGH COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Final Conference of the VALUE+ Interreg IVB project  
Liège, Belgium

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21-22 APRIL 2015

Registration now open!

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## About the conference:

The Value Added project seeks to reconcile and integrate top-down and bottom-up planning approaches through further and better community engagement. It provides practical evidence that increased participation in both the strategic planning of green infrastructures and the urban design of local green spaces provides opportunities and benefits in terms of a more inclusive green growth, joint learning and social cohesion.

This transnational event will include inspiring keynote speakers, a visit of the pilot investment in Liège (La Chartreuse Park) and lively workshops with the researchers, practitioners and citizens engaged in the project!

To learn more about the [investment sites](#) of the project, about engaged citizens who have become 'champions' or to find background information, please visit the VALUE+ website: [www.value-and.com](http://www.value-and.com)

## Translation:

The whole conference will be simultaneously translated in English and French.

## Registrations:

Conference website and online registrations accessible through [www.value-and.com](http://www.value-and.com)

## Confirmed Keynote Speakers:

- Karin Zaubnerger  
European Commission - DG Environment (Germany)
- Michael Schwarze-Rodrian  
Regionalverband Ruhr (Germany)
- Bas Smets  
Bureau Bas Smets (Belgium)
- Dr Matthew Gebhardt  
Portland State University (USA)
- Hella Rogiers  
'Common Ground' agency (Belgium)
- John Henneberry  
University of Sheffield (UK)
- Tom Wild  
South Yorkshire Forest Partnership (UK)

## Workshops:

- Social media to improve and optimise community engagement and its' benefits?
- Strategic planning of green infrastructures for a more inclusive green growth: GIS approaches
- 'Do-it-yourself' landscape through innovative participatory urban design tools
- Sustain quality on the longer term: innovative area management arrangements and added value of community engagement

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