



# Welcome to our FIRST NEWSLETTER

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## **We introduce the EU Decarbonisation in Times of Crises: Exploring Social Innovations and Enhancing an Equitable Twin Transition**

Welcome to the first DeCrises project newsletter! For the next three years together we will explore key aspects of multilevel governance and social innovation in support of the achieving of an equitable twin transition in the EU. Join us!

*"We launched the DeCrises project at a time when multiple crises, economic, environmental, political and energy-related, threaten to distract from the urgent digital and climate transformations that Europe should undertake. (...)*

*Through diverse case studies, continuous stakeholder engagement and collaborative knowledge building across our work packages, we are co-creating a governance framework that is adaptable to emerging policy and technological shifts."*

Dr. Farid Karimi

Principal investigator of DeCrises, University of Jyväskylä, Finland



## The DeCrises project kick-off meeting

The DeCrises project launched in April 2025 in Jyväskylä, Finland, bringing together a consortium of researchers and institutions committed to

navigating Europe's twin transitions in the context of complex socio-economic crises.

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**DeCrises aims to enhance democratic governance in Europe by supporting a just and inclusive twin transition through multilevel governance and community-led social innovation. Our mission is to identify and address the institutional gaps in current multilevel governance (MLG) systems and promote citizen-driven approaches that empower communities.**

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## DeCrises case studies



### **Green Region Vestland (Norway)**

The Green Region Vestland (GRV) project facilitates ongoing dialogue, co-creation of green solutions and



### **Fingrid Datahub (Finland)**

Fingrid Datahub is a centralised information exchange system for the electricity retail market, which

supports the regional application of EU green funding in Norway.



## City of Riga (Latvia)

Out of 58 neighbourhoods of Riga, 35 have united under the Riga Neighbourhood Alliance (RNA). DeCrises will study the case of Riga City neighbourhoods, involving RNA as a major stakeholder, and will provide recommendations for their empowerment in the MLG system.

contains data from 3.8 million electricity metering points in Finland.



## Municipality of Potęgowo (Poland)

It aims to enable recommendations on how local administration with business, science and citizens can stimulate local energy development and supply security as well as decrease dependence on Russian energy supplies.

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## News





DeCrises at **UACES 55th Annual Conference**: Exploring Climate Politics in Latvia

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DeCrises at the **Joint European Conference**, held in Kaunas, Lithuania.

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DeCrises joined **CBSS Summer University 2025** in Greifswald, Germany

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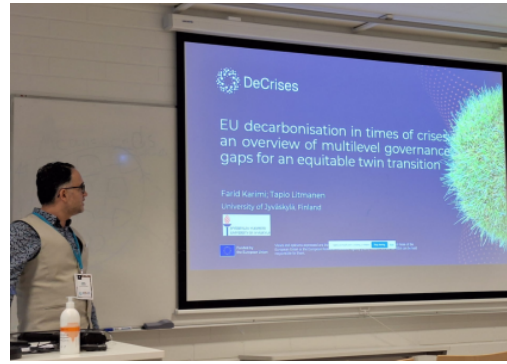
DeCrises at the **9th SRA-E Nordic conference** in Copenhagen, Denmark

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**Early-career researcher seminar**  
hosted by the DeCrises project at  
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DeCrises' participation in the **5th  
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## Upcoming events



### Development Days Conference 2026

“Development in Ruins, Hope in  
the Cracks: A Time for Reckoning,  
Reclaiming and Reawakening”

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## The NEEDS 2026 conference

Addressing the challenges and opportunities of societal resilience in the context of interconnected crises.

**Registration deadline:** 1 March 2026.

[Register here](#)



## 17th Nordic Environmental Social Science Conference

*"Bridging the Gaps",*  
interdisciplinary collaboration across environmental sciences, policy, and society.

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## 17th ESA Conference

*"Sociological Knowledges for Alternative Futures",* addressing social inequalities, global crises, democracy, and sustainability.

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**As we set out on the DeCrises journey, we look forward to the next three years dedicated to insights into achieving an equitable twin transition in the EU. Follow us on LinkedIn and Instagram to never miss on any project update!**

**Stay tuned!**



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