

PARALLEL SESSION #1

11:00-12:45

SUPPORTING SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY IN EUROPE



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Activist grannies

- Network of grannies (and grandpas) founded in 2019 by twelve grannies who want to share their life experience and wisdom to help save our planet as a good place to live for our grandchildren.
- Main target
 - Mitigation of climate change
- Our tone of voice
 - Hope created by action instead of paralyzing anxiety
 - Moderation in lifestyle and joy of nature, culture and friendship instead of excessive consumption



Sustainable development is about securing human well being within planetary boundaries



Further measures are needed especially in SDGs that relate to the state of the environment and sustainable consumption:















In Finland, the situation is good in most of the SDGs that relate to social sustainability:



















Finland's sustainability framework is built on two pillars

Prime

Minister's

Government

- Agenda2030 implementation plan
- Sustainability roadmap

Coordination network coordination of all ministries

Youth group

Expert panel

Commission for sustainable development

Round table for climate change Finnish Development

Policy Committe

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Strategy of the National Commission on Sustainable Development 2022– 2030

" A prosperous and globally responsible Finland that protects the carrying capacity of nature"

Aims to create and speed up system level changes in the Finnish society

Six areas of societal transformation



Cultural courage for change bases on a system level change on societal level

120 networks from members

The National Commission on Sustainable

Development
Since 1993

120 key societal stakeholder groups represented

The Youth group of Agenda 2030

Youth networks

Experimenting with research projects

The Expert Panel for sustainable development



The Commitment 2050

Strategy to drive the commitments

Cultural courage for change bases on a system level change on societal level

- •Q1 [FOR ALL]: In what ways does your organisation activate citizens to participate in sustainability transformation? 2 min each
- •Q2 [FOR ALL]: What kind of activity/ forms of activity have been created through activation and what has been learned from them? 2 min each
- •Q3 [FOR ALL]: In your perspective, what are some concrete ways agency can be strengthened? Is it possible to engage everyone to participate? 2 min each
- •Question to the audience: What kind of experiences/challenges do you have with encouraging citizens' activity?
- •Q4 [FOR ALL]: Would you like to reflect on the responses coming from the audience?
- Questions from the audience
- •(If time) Q5 [FOR ALL]: Do you feel that sustainability agency is necessary for facilitating sustainability transformation in this critical decade of action?