

Jörg Balsiger

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- Conference Synthesis of Future Earth Theme 3, Transformations towards Sustainability, Mountains of Our Future Earth Conference, 4-8 October 2015, Perth, Scotland (video: <https://cast.switch.ch/vod/clips/133sy5bwip/streaming.html>, at 26:18)
- Macro-regionalization in the Alps (Invited presentation). International Workshop "Macro-Regions' and Multi-level Governance in Europe," October 2-3, 2014, Kristiansand, Norway.
- Scientific collectives in region-building processes (Keynote address). International Conference "Forum Carpathicum: Local Responses to Global Challenges," September 16-18, 2014, Lviv, Ukraine.
- Regional environmental problems (Invited presentation). International Workshop "Complex Transboundary Problems: EU and US Perspectives," October 18-19, 2013, Berkeley, California.

Sustainable Development Governance in Transboundary Mountain Regions: Lessons and Prospects (Invited presentation). International Conference “The Third Rencontres internationales de Reims on Sustainability Studies,” June 19-21, 2013, Reims, France.

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Towards a scientific network on the Caucasus Mountain Regions – Opportunities and Challenges (Invited presentation). Regional Workshop “Towards a scientific network in the Caucasus Mountain Regions,” May 30-31, 2013, Tbilisi, Georgia.

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