

# NEWSLETTER #6 SEPTEMBER 2025

# **Building societal resilience together**

The FutuResilience project is driven by a key objective: to strengthen Europe's economic and social resilience by improving our ability to respond swiftly to future crises.

Over the past years, our 10 FutuResilience Labs have done an outstanding job by bringing together a wide range of stakeholders and creating spaces where diverse perspectives and knowledge could be shared around the same table. Together, they explored how local, regional, and national challenges – across a wide spectrum of issues, from climate change and healthcare systems to labour market integration, housing patterns, and digitalisation – might evolve over time. They then designed policy solutions that are both robust and flexible, capable of addressing these potential future scenarios.

This experimental approach has provided us with valuable insights: what kinds of evidence policymakers expect, how trust in science and other knowledge sources is built, which tools are most effective for tackling complex challenges, and – perhaps most importantly – what "societal resilience" really means for different actors.

As our project nears its conclusion, we are preparing to share these learnings with you. Soon, we will launch our **final toolbox and policy roadmap**, presenting a variety of strategies to strengthen societal resilience. At the heart of this work lies a crucial question: how can we set up participatory processes that enable anticipatory governance, enhance preparedness, and build long-term resilience?

Finally, we are excited to announce that an invitation will soon be launched to join us in Tallinn, Estonia, for our final event. Together, we will celebrate three years of learning, collaboration, and achievement – and explore innovative ways of thinking about resilience in society.

We look forward to welcoming you there. In the meantime, we hope you enjoy reading our latest news!

Matias Barberis
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## **Featured news**

# Simulation Exercise: key lessons of cocreating policy for societal resilience

The project team participated in a high-tech simulation at Mid Sweden University's RCR Simulation Lab. In this immersive space, consortium members experienced simulated weather-related crisis and then worked together in a policy workshop to imagine how the city could become more resilient. The event demonstrated the power of combining science, imagination, and collaboration to be better prepared for future challenges.

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#### Special Session at the 64th ERSA Conference

The conference was organised around a core topic for the project "Regional Science in Turbulent Times: In Search of a Resilient, Sustainable and Inclusive Future." Along with the CLIMAS project, different project partners presented results from labs as well as analysis on collaborative approaches for mutual learning, the foresight work as well as a crosscutting analysis on the role of policy experimentation for resilience policy design.

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# **FutuResilience Labs: explore the results**



The results webinars presented findings from the FutuResilience labs exploring resilience across different challenges: labour market integration for vulnerable groups and solutions to enhance migration, education, and water resources in island settings; climate risks, emergency systems and civic engagement; a better governance of new

distributed residential patterns, including emerging phenomena such as housing exclusion; the impact of technological disruption, the role of skills in manufacturing sector and how to improve cyber resilience. The labs stressed the role of data for better preparing for sudden crises, including tools and solutions for stronger governance systems. Across all topics, the webinars emphasised the key role participation, interdisciplinary cooperation, and actionable policy guidance as key to building resilient communities.

#### Watch the videos on YouTube

Read the most recent project reports, including detailed labs results and learnings from cross-lab activities!

- Report on mutual learning activities.
- Consolidated report of pilot cases





## **Events**

#### **Recent Events**

# Learning from best practices in Living Labs for adaptation

Murcia Lab has presented a paper entitled "Murcia Lab Resilience to climate change effects in urban environments" at the webinar organised by MIP4Adapt. The webinar explored the methodology of Living Labs for climate adaptation, highlighting their role as collaborative spaces where stakeholders codesign, test, and refine contextualised solutions in real-world conditions.

#### **Learn more on MURCIA results**

# Foresight Conference "What is the Future of **Local Public Services in Estonia?**"

The MULTILOCAL Lab presented the report "The Future of Municipal Tax Income, Example of Tartu Region" based on the lab developed calculator tool for policy planning support developed by the lab partners.

**Learn more on MULTILOCAL results** 

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# **Upcoming Events**

#### **Biennale Architettura 2025 in Venice**



The TIMES Lab will be featured at the Biennale di Architettura of Venice, as part of the INTELLIGENS initiative, a dedicated space for presentations, panels, and activities that harness collective intelligence to transform built and natural environments in response to the climate crisis. Diverse project partners, academics in the field of climate change and regional policymakers will join in interactive in-person session and exhibition on 11 November 2025.

#### WIDERA feedback-to-policy Workshop.

The FutuResilience project will be showcased - along other 20 projects funded under the Horizon Europe work programme - at the "Widening participation and strengthening the European Research Area" feedback-topolicy workshop in Brussels. The workshop will bring project representatives into dialogue with national policymakers, Horizon Europe's national contact points, and the European Commission, with the aim of fostering community-building and knowledge help shape the future sharing to implementation of the European Research Area.

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