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## ***Sustainability and Social Justice - Wicked Problems***

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**5:00 pm, HL 116, Refreshments**

Each presenter will relate a short story to illustrate the issue, followed by roundtable discussions on the topics.

- The ***double edge*** of ***cutting edge*** city sustainability indicators, and why cities sink in the race to the top
- Political framing of “**sustainability**” and how its use as a buzzword in politics has taken on a negative connotation
- Post-sustainable development practices in the western Balkans (Slovenia, Croatia, and Bosnia)
- Social and environmental justice: making sustainability inclusive and equitable

In preparation for the discussions, you are invited to go [here](#) and state the most important sustainability problem or issue from your point of view.