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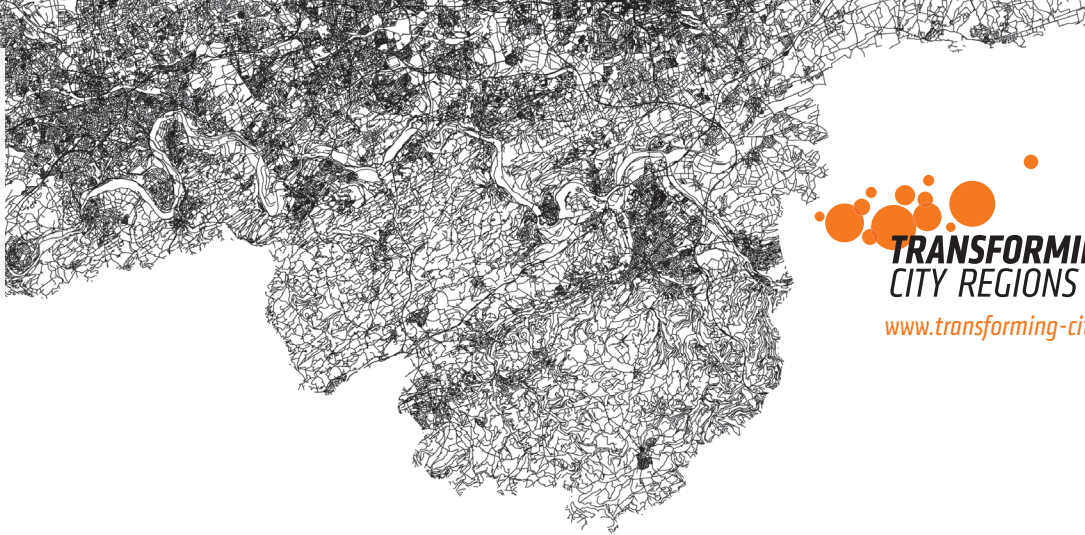
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The processes of transformation and structural change in the Ruhr agglomeration in Germany are far from complete. Stronger cooperation between science and praxis is intended to ensure continuous revitalisation, while an international perspective should advance the late-to-post-industrial transformation. Still, a region such as the Ruhr, with its newly revised regional plan and its dialogue-oriented and integrated development strategy, is predestined to lead an international discourse on the future of polycentric post-industrial urban regions. This international conference deals with transformation processes and urban revitalisation strategies in polycentric urban regions and aims to provide an unbiased review of previous methods. Here, an international comparative view is useful. This perspective is, however, not intended to be prescriptive, but rather to search for impulses that might embed the transformation of the Ruhr region into a broader context, while at the same time correctly identifying and classifying the present conditions.

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