

## INNOVATION FOR CHANGE WORKSHOP

Thursday, February 6, 2025

14h00-17h30

Sciences Po, Salle K008, 1, place St Thomas D'Aquin, 75007, Paris.

### **Context**

The Laboratory for Interdisciplinary Evaluation of Public Policies (LIEPP) at Sciences Po, the Interdisciplinary Laboratory for the Energies of Tomorrow (LIED) at Université Paris Cité and the Technology for Change Chair (T4C) at Ecole Polytechnique (i3-CRG), are pleased to convene the workshop: 'Innovation for Change'.

This event aims to bring together doctoral students, professors and researchers to discuss innovation challenges in the face of the ecological, energy, social and public policy issues facing civil society, businesses and public players alike. This half-day event will feature a round table discussion, followed by a doctoral symposium with young researchers (doctoral and post-doctoral researchers) from these three research laboratories.

*Le Laboratoire Interdisciplinaire d'Evaluation des Politiques Publiques (LIEPP) de Sciences Po, le Laboratoire Interdisciplinaire des Energies de Demain (LIED) d'Université Paris Cité et la Chaire Technology for Change (T4C) de l'Ecole polytechnique (i3-CRG) ont le plaisir de co-organiser le workshop « Innovation for Change ». Cet évènement a pour objectif de réunir doctorants et enseignants-chercheurs pour échanger sur les défis de l'innovation, face aux enjeux de l'écologie, de l'énergie, de la société et des politiques publiques auxquels la société civile, les entreprises, tout comme les acteurs publics sont confrontés. Cette demi-journée proposera une table ronde, puis un colloque doctoral avec des jeunes chercheurs (doctorants et post-doctorants) de ces trois laboratoires de recherche.*

### **A focus on innovation**

**Innovation for change** refers to the process of developing and implementing new ideas, technologies, or methods that lead to positive transformation within a specific context—be it social, economic, political, or environmental. This concept focuses on using innovation as a tool for addressing existing challenges or inequities and creating a more sustainable, equitable, and efficient future.

**Innovation for change in policy studies** refers to the integration of creative and forward-thinking approaches in the analysis, development, and implementation of public policies aimed at addressing complex societal challenges. **Innovation for change in energy** focuses on transforming how energy is produced, distributed, and consumed to address critical global challenges such as climate change, energy security, and access to affordable energy. **Innovation for change in technology** is not just about creating new gadgets or software but using technology as a tool to solve real-world challenges and improve lives. In this context, technology is a means to foster inclusivity, sustainability, and resilience, while addressing global and local issues.

## **CALL FOR PROPOSAL - YOUNG RESEARCHERS WORKSHOP:**

We welcome proposals related to but not limited to:

- incorporating innovations into policy studies, such as policy design and reform, data-driven governance, interdisciplinary and cross-sector collaboration, participatory policymaking, agile and adaptive policies, sustainability and long-term thinking, regulatory innovation, addressing social and economic inequalities, innovative policy tools, resilience and crisis management
- transition to renewable energy, clean energy technologies, energy storage solutions, decentralized energy systems, energy efficiency and conservation, electrification of transportation, hydrogen economy, carbon capture, utilization, and storage (CCUS), integration of AI and digital technologies, sustainable energy access, circular energy economy, policy and regulatory innovations, resilience and adaptation, public and corporate commitment
- technology innovations for change, healthcare innovations, accessibility and inclusivity, green technologies, circular economy solutions, ethical AI and automation, digital services, blockchain technologies

Interested doctoral and post-doctoral researchers are invited to submit a proposal of between 1,500 and 2,500 words in French or in English by **November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024**, describing their overall research project, or a specific research article/chapter they are working on. The proposals will be assessed by the organising committee, which will confirm the successful proposals **by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024**.

Successful applicants will be invited to present their work in person at the doctoral conference, in the following format:

- 5-minute presentation per person, followed by 20 minutes of Q&A in groups of 4 people.

Please submit your proposal in PDF format **by November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024** by sending an email to: [environnement.liepp@sciencespo.fr](mailto:environnement.liepp@sciencespo.fr)