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The German Advisory Council on the Environment (SRU) seeks to stimulate the debate on sufficiency as a strategy to address socio-ecological crises.

By examining the need for sufficiency from multiple perspectives, they highlight its potential to lead to a more sustainable society.



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TESTING IN-MIGRATION TO REVITALIZE GÖRLITZ

Many remote cities are facing population decline. Görlitz, Germany, launched a real-world experiment to attract new residents and promote sustainability through targeted in-migration, offering insights into location decisions as well as individual and municipal learning processes.



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CITIZENS' PERSPECTIVES ON CLIMATE NEUTRALITY

In a region in the Swiss Alps, researchers and stakeholders developed a vision for a transition to climate neutrality. Citizens were then invited to comment on the vision. While this enhanced legitimacy, stakeholders remained uncertain about how to incorporate citizens' views into a strategy.



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Have you noticed the person in the foreground picking apples from a tree? This action symbolizes one of the goals in the vision for a climate-neutral Eastern Bernese Oberland: residents adapting their lifestyles to local resources. The regional map, illustrated by Samuel Bucheli in 2022, visualizes innovations and practices tied to 32 goals established during a transition management process (2020 to 2024) aimed at achieving climate neutrality. More details on the process, citizen participation, and its evaluation can be found on pp. 295 to 305.