

SEBE Department Seminar

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Senses of place and migration in rural areas: newcomers, stayers, leavers and returnees

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Tialda Haartsen is Principal Investigator of the Work Package Migration, Territorial Inequalities and Spatial Justice in the H2020 project IMAJINE (<http://imajine-project.eu/>) and of the ORA project STAYin(g)Rural: Contemporary LifeCourse related Senses of Belonging, Mobility and Rural Community Participation (start date 1 May 2019)

Central theme in Tialda Haartsen's research is how rural place meanings and senses of belonging influence the spatial behaviour of individuals and families, and how they explain reactions to rural place change. Her work concentrates around two research themes: 1) the motives and everyday life experiences of newcomers, return migrants, stayers and leavers in rural areas and 2) rural transformations in service provision and issues of quality of life and liveability.