

## **SPRU Training Course: Innovation Policy in a Changing Global Context**

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### **Day 5: Experimentation and niche management for transformative change**

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Experimentation is a key notion for transformative innovation policy. In this session this notion will be unpacked. Various forms of experimentation will be discussed, as well as the relationships between experimentation and niche formation. The session will introduce various dimensions of niche development, and how niches can become new socio-technical regimes.

This is the process of upscaling and wider diffusion. The crucial role of intermediary actors will be elaborated as well as the role of other actors, including users and policy makers. Strategic niche management is to be discussed as a policy tool for influencing processes of niche management.

