

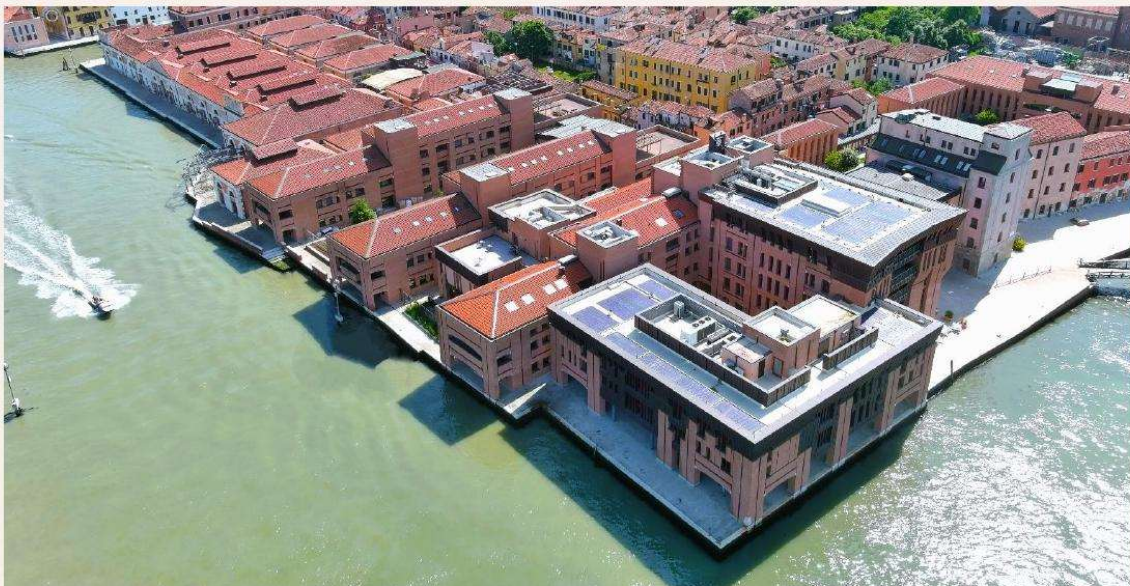
19TH REGIONAL INNOVATION POLICIES CONFERENCE

Twin Transition, Ecosystems,
and Disruptive Innovation

October 23-24,
2025

Venice School of
Management – Ca' Foscari
University of Venice
San Giobbe Economic
Campus
Cannaregio 813/A, Venice

PROGRAM



Important information

Conference venue:

Venice School of Management

San Giobbe [Cannaregio 873, Fondamenta San Giobbe, 30121 Venezia](#)

Welcome Aperitif – 22th October (h 6:30-8:00 PM)

Combo

Campo dei Gesuiti, 4878, 30121 Venezia VE

<https://thisiscombo.com/en/destinations/venezia>

Conference dinner – 23th October (h 7:30-10:30 PM)

Ca' Sagredo Hotel

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Each session is scheduled for a duration of 90 minutes, meaning that presentations should last **15 minutes. (sessions with 4 presentations) or 20 minutes (sessions with 3 presentations)**. This will ensure time for questions and discussions.

The chair of each session is responsible for making sure that all presenters are allocated an equal amount of time, and that there is enough time for questions and discussions.

Presenters should store their presentations (Power Point or other formats) on memory sticks and upload them in the in-room PC's before the beginning of the parallel session.

22 October 2025

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SHORT PROGRAM

23 October 2025

8:30-9:00	Registration	VSM Main hall
9:00 -10:30	Plenary 1 Welcome address Monica Plechero (Local Committee – Ca’ Foscari University) Anna Comacchio (Director of the Venice School of Management) Björn T. Asheim (Scientific committee - University of Stavanger) Keynote speaker: Lisa De Propris (Professor of Regional Economic Development - Birmingham Business School) Triple transition, technological change and innovation policy Chair: Massimiliano Nuccio (VSM - Ca’ Foscari University)	Aula Magna
10:30-11:00	Coffee break	

11:00-12:30	Parallel sessions 1	
12:30-13:30	Lunch	
13:30-15:00	Parallel sessions 2	
15:00-16:30	Parallel sessions 3	
16:30-17:00	Coffee break	
17:00-18:30	Parallel sessions 4	
19:30-22:30	Conference Dinner	Ca' Sagredo Hotel Campo Santa Sofia 4198/99 - Ca' D'Oro 30121 Venezia https://www.casagredohotel.com/
24th October		
9:00-10:30	Plenary 2 – Regional Agriculture and Food Innovation Systems In conversation with: Laurens Klerkx - Professor of Agrifood Innovation and Transition at the University of Talca, Chile/visiting professor at Wageningen University, The Netherlands (UK) With contributions from: Christine Mauracher and Vladi Finotto Agrifood Management & Innovation Lab	Aula Magna
10:30-11:00	Coffee break	

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DETAILED PROGRAM

October 23, 11.00 - 12.30 - Parallel session 1

A1 - Policies and agency in twin (and multiple) transitions	B1 - Building functioning regional innovation ecosystems	C1 - Regional Innovation Policies in an era of disruptive changes in the global economy	D1 - Regional adoption and upscaling of environmental and green technologies	E1 - Challenged-oriented Regional Innovation Systems
Room: 9B	Room: 10B	Room: 10C	Room: 9C	Room: 8B
Chair: Cinzia Colapinto	Chair: Magnus Nilsson	Chair: Salomaa Maria	Chair: Christian Richter Østergaard	Chair: Judith Terstriep
Timothy Marcroft , Valeria Jana Schwanitz, August Wierling, Constantin von Beck <i>Key Issues and Recommendations for Co-Creation in Local Energy Transitions: an AI-Assisted Systematic Literature Review Investigating Structure and Agency</i>	Bjorn T. Asheim <i>Incubators in an innovation ecosystem perspective - examples from Sweden</i>	Markus M. Bugge , Håkon Endresen Normann, Alina Kontareva, Ruben Vatnamo Fjermestad <i>Governance mixes in socio-technical transitions – Modes and coherence of policy responses to data sharing in the platform economy</i>	Norbert Szabó, Emese Braun, Tamás Sebestyén , Zsolt Bedó <i>Regional economic resilience and new technologies: measurement with a computable general equilibrium model</i>	Joris Gort , Alwin Gerritsen <i>Challenge-oriented regional innovation policy: achieving truly transformative change in food systems</i>

<p>Anja Gjaerum <i>Regional differences in inter-municipal collaborations on digital transformation</i></p>	<p>Mart Laatsit, Åsa Lindholm Dahlstrand, Magnus Nilsson <i>Capturing the system-level effects of innovation policy: an assessment of publicly funded innovative entrepreneurship in Sweden</i></p>	<p>Jon P. Knudsen <i>Making Sense of the Right to Stay</i></p>	<p>Alberto Bonora, Giulia Lucertini <i>Assessing the Economic Impact of Soil Erosion: A Spatial Correlation Between Soil Loss and Agricultural Land Value in the Veneto Region</i></p>	<p>Judith Terstriep, Anna Butzin, Alexandra David <i>What's in it for the region? Towards an outcome-based perspective on entrepreneurial ecosystems</i></p>
<p>Annalisa Caloffi, Ana Colovic, Federica Rossi, Leonardo Borsacchi <i>Innovation intermediaries and the digital transition for sustainability: The case of the textile cluster in Prato</i></p>	<p>Guendlaina Anzolin, Eoin O'Sullivan <i>Towards a Marshall-based Theory of Research and Technology Organisations: the role of regional policy to address the varieties of knowledge.</i></p>	<p>Salomaa Maria, Åkerman Maria <i>Towards Inclusive Research, development and innovation practices? Literature review on conceptual considerations</i></p>	<p>Ina Drejer, Jacob Rubæk Holm, Christian Richter Østergaard <i>What drives innovation in green externality technologies? -The case of carbon capture, use, and storage in Denmark</i></p>	<p>Greta Buoso, Eleonora Di Maria <i>The role of KIBS in the digitalization process of small-medium enterprises: a case study</i></p>
<p>Cinzia Colapinto, Herb Kunze, Davide La Torre <i>A Continuous-Time Dynamic Game Model for Regional Innovation Policies in the Twin Transition</i></p>	<p>Gunhild Wedum, Anne J Nordli, Stine Lien <i>Future - Oriented Regional Development</i></p>		<p>Hendrik Hansmeier, Tim Becker, Sebastian Losacker <i>Regional Regulation and Innovation: Do cap-and-trade policies spur green trademarks?</i></p>	

October 23, 13.30 – 15:00 PM - Parallel session 2

A2 - Policies and agency in twin (and multiple) transitions	B2 - Building functioning regional innovation ecosystems	C2 - Regional Innovation Policies in an era of disruptive changes in the global economy	D2 - Regional adoption and upscaling of environmental and green technologies	G2 - Policies failures in addressing Grand Societal Challenges
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Chair: Fumi Kitagawa	Chair: Sandrine Labory	Chair: Giancarlo Corò	Chair: Anne J Nordli	Chair: Annalisa Caloffi
<p>Rick Delbridge, Kevin Morgan, Katherine Parsons, Elvira Uyarra, David Waite</p> <p><i>Twin Transitions and Inclusive Innovation: Place-Based Approaches to Innovation Policy in UK City Regions</i></p>	<p>Sandrine Labory, Patrizio Bianchi, Katie Tran, Roberta Calabrò</p> <p><i>The Role of Regional Ecosystems in the Development of Strategic Sectors: The Case of the European Space Sector</i></p>	<p>Francesco Molica, Francesco Cappellano, Teemu Makkonen</p> <p><i>Regional Innovation Systems in the Age of De-Globalization: Challenges, Transformations, and Policy Responses</i></p>	<p>Anne J Nordli, Gunhild Wedum, Stine Lien, Trond Nilsen</p> <p><i>KIBS as a facilitator of green innovation in the periphery: the use of innovation sprints</i></p>	<p>Mart Laatsit, Irena Kristensen, Lasse Bundgaard</p> <p><i>Addressing societal challenges – a multi-level perspective</i></p>
<p>Nadja Nordling, Anna Martikainen, Jari Kolehmainen</p> <p><i>Competing Ambitions in Digital Policy: Navigating Mission-Oriented Innovation and Industrial Policy Logics Across Governance Levels</i></p>	<p>Kevin Souhard, Ernest Miguelez, Maider Saint Jean</p> <p><i>Green technology and productivity in European regions: the role of technological and scientific capabilities</i></p>	<p>Abdulhak Anwer Alsharif, Thomas Brenner</p> <p><i>Charting Frontier Innovation Pathways: An Analysis of Scientific and Technological Activity in Developing and Emerging Economies</i></p>	<p>Marta Gancarczyk, Jacek Gancarczyk, Damian Tomczyk</p> <p><i>Energy clusters as entrepreneurial ecosystems for RES adoption in the Polish local context</i></p>	<p>Charles Abbott</p> <p><i>1 / 9 Do birds of a feather flock together? Variation in Smart Specialisation implementation outwith the EU</i></p>
<p>Markku Sotarauta</p> <p><i>Unleashing change for regional green transformation: A place leadership role for universities?</i></p>	<p>David Charles</p> <p><i>The place of inclusive innovation in a regional innovation policy</i></p>	<p>David Doloreux, Simon Baumgartinger-Seiringer, Richard Shearmur, Amélie Gauthier</p> <p><i>From recreational town to chips: Bromont’s evolving innovation zone</i></p>	<p>Sylvia Snijders, Caroline Bolam, Leon Jank, Martin Mathews</p> <p><i>Successes and tensions in sustainable practices in the wine industry in Germany, France and the UK</i></p>	<p>Annalisa Caloffi, Giuseppe Caruso, Francesca Gastaldi, Marco Mariani, Maria Grazia Pazienza</p> <p><i>Policy Mixes at Crossroads: The Limits of Italy’s Industry 4.0 in Delivering Inclusive Digital Transitions</i></p>

<p>Synne Bråten <i>Legitimation and recognition of innovation policies in peripheral regions in Norway: Inland Portfolio's relation to green transition</i></p>	<p>Fatima Zahra Fakir, Sedita Silvia Rita, Negalegn Alemu Bekele, Dina Mansour <i>Entrepreneurial Ecosystem in Africa: evidence from cross-country comparative analysis</i></p>	<p>Sebastiano Cattaruzzo, Giancarlo Corò, Giovanni Maran <i>When specialization helps diversification: linking industrial districts to economic complexity across Italian regions</i></p>	<p>Amelia Kunze, Xavier Brusset, Aida Jebali, Davide La Torre <i>A Differential Dynamic Game Between Competing Supply Chains Under Environmental Regulations</i></p>	
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October 23, 15:00 - 16.30 PM - Parallel session 3

C3 - Regional Innovation Policies in an era of disruptive changes in the global economy	J3 - The geography of the twin transition (in collaboration with AISRe)	F3 - Disruptive innovation for circular and regenerative economies	O3 – Geography and Public policies
Room: 9B	Room: 8B	Room: 10B	Room: 9C
Chair: Thomas Brenner	Chair: Roberto Antonietti	Chair: Jose Luis Hervas-Oliver	Chair: Andrea Filippetti
Manuel González-López , Jose Blanco-Álvarez, María del Carmen Sánchez-Carreira <i>Smart and not so smart specialisation strategies: The cases of biotech and UAV in Galicia</i>	Roberto Antonietti, Marco Bettiol, Eleonora Di Maria, Leonardo Vargiu <i>CO2 emissions and the uneven geography of data centers in Europe</i>	Raffaele Mancuso , Alice Sanna, Luca Serafini, Laura Toschi, Stefano Usai Circular Economy and Smart Specialisation Strategies in European Regions	Francesco Castellano, Andrea Filippetti , Antonio Zinilli <i>The geographic dimension of the innovation process over fifty years of patenting in mRNA COVID-19 vaccines</i>
Henrik Halkier , Laura James, Mads Bruun Ingstrup <i>What factors influence cluster organisation activities? An analysis of the Danish Knowledge and Business Clusters</i>	Chiara Burlina , Marco Bettiol, Giuseppe Danese <i>When green meets digital: Understanding the “twin” transition of firms mitigation in manufacturing: the role of industry 4.0</i>	DzAMILA Bienkowska , Wisdom Kanda, Magnus Klofsten, Charlotte Norrman, Oleksiy Guzhva Rural entrepreneurship and engaged universities - outreach and impact through entrepreneurship training	Zsófia Vas , Izabella Szakálné Kanó, György Vida <i>Spatial Dynamics of the ICT Sector in the Era of the Twin Transition: Insights from Central and Eastern Europe</i>
Thomas Brenner , Jonathan Eberle, Timo Mitze and Fatih Celebioglu <i>Absorptive Capacity and Economic Freedom Modulating the Effects of Regional Policy on the Economy</i>	Mabel Sanchez-Barrioluengo, Dioni Elche, Davide Consoli Navigating the Twin Transition: How Green Practices Influence the Relationship Between Digital Technologies and Innovation	Teemu Makkonen Disruptive innovation and the local economy: The geography of green investments in Finland	Romulo Pinheiro , Michael Asante <i>Higher Education and Green Transitions in Europe: The State of the Art</i>
Annalisa Caloffi , Giuseppe Caruso, Marco Mariani, Alessandra Mattei, Fiammetta Menchetti <i>Digitalization, Automation, and Job Positions: Causal Insights from a Regional R&D Policy</i>	David Bailey <i>Regions and Just Transitions: worker perceptions on electrification in two automotive regions</i>	Jose Luis Hervas-Oliver, Carles Boronat <i>Unfolding the discontinuous stage of Industrial Districts: How do lead firms incept new technology?</i>	

October 23, 17.00 – 18.30 PM - Parallel session 4

B4 - Building functioning regional innovation ecosystems	D4 - Regional adoption and upscaling of environmental and green technologies	E4 - Challenged-oriented Regional Innovation Systems	H4 - Strategies for just and equitable transitions (ST4TE)
Room: 10B	Room: 9C	Room: 9B	Room: 10C
Chair: Silvia Rita Sedita	Chair: Sebastian Losacker	Chair: Jan Ole Rypestøl	Chair: Christina Kakderi
Veronica Spano , Massimiliano Nuccio <i>Looking for the new fashion entrepreneurs: New conditions of entrepreneurship in the T&C Italian industrial districts</i>	Longbin Geng , Sebastian Losacker, Rasmus Lema <i>Regional Networks and the Diffusion of Twin Transition Technologies in China</i>	Purushottam Adhikari , Maria Tønnessen Frivold, Roman Martin, Jan Ole Rypestøl <i>Agents of Change in Green Path Development: A Comparative Analysis of the Emerging Battery Industry in Gothenburg and Arendal</i>	Nicolò Barbieri, Stefano Basilico , Alberto Marzucchi, Ugo Rizzo <i>The determinants of the diffusion of green and digital occupations.</i>
Kalle Tuomi <i>The Forgotten Intangible Value Creation in Europe's Most Digitalised Nation: The Paradoxical Struggle of Innovation and Productivity in Finnish Regional Ecosystems</i>	Francesca Ghinami , Sandro Montresor, Stefano Usai <i>Twin (green and digital) patent landscaping: an automated unsupervised approach</i>	Felix Schmidt , Thomas Brenner <i>Intellectual Property on the Market: How IP-driven Mergers and Acquisitions Affect Regional Innovation and Networks in Germany</i>	Alexandra Badort, Bernardo Caldarola, Tommaso Ciarli, Sidharth Rony <i>Skills demand and regional productivity</i>
Max-Peter Menzel , Tina Haisch <i>Geography of Valuation: Articulating Center - Periphery Dynamics through the Analogy of Two Art Fairs</i>	Sebastian Losacker , Sina Saenger, Stefan Hennemann <i>Mapping the European Twin Transition: An evolutionary perspective on green and digital regional development</i>	Thanos Fragkandreas <i>Innovation and Regional Inequality – Is There a World Beyond Empirical Regularities?</i>	Christina Kakderi <i>Towards a Twin Transition Index: Measuring Regional Readiness and Vulnerabilities in Green and Digital Transformation</i>
Silvia Rita Sedita , Anete Alberton, Maurizio Pioletti, Karolina Crespi Gomes <i>Beyond urban utopia: the challenges of smart Florianopolis innovation ecosystem</i>			Oscar Romero Goyeneche , Deyu Li, Ron Boschma <i>Regional Pathways to Twin Transitions: Regional Capabilities, Technological Diversification, and Policy Implications for Green and Digital Convergence in Europe.</i>

October 24, 11:00 - 12.30 - Parallel session 5

A5 - Policies and agency in twin (and multiple) transitions	D5 - Regional adoption and upscaling of environmental and green technologies	I5 - Disruptive innovation and regional restructuring in the age of the twin transition: perspectives from the study of food systems	J5 - The geography of the twin transition (in collaboration with AISRe)
Room: 9B	Room: 9C	Room: 10B	Room: 8B
Chair: Erica Santini	Chair: Elisa Barbieri	Chair: Francesca Checchinato	Chair: Roberto Antonietti
Camilla Civardi, Erica Santini , Jacopo Staiano <i>Political Support for the Twin Transition in Italy: Insights from the PLOTTI Dataset</i>	Natalia Maehle , Pia Piroshka Otte <i>Carbon farming in Norway: Analysis of national environmental laws and European regulations</i>	Vladi Finotto, Christine Mauracher <i>Innovation Rhetoric vs. Systemic Change: AgrifoodTech Startups and Food Systems Transformation in Italy</i>	Theresa Bürscher , Katharina Jäger, Martina Neuländtner, Thomas Scherngell <i>Exploring regional twin transition paths with an empirical agent-based model on knowledge creation</i>
Andrea Ganzaroli , Ivan De Noni, Elisa Sabbadin <i>Unlocking the Twin Transition: Dynamic Capabilities in Sustainable Digital Transformation of SMEs</i>	Qianli Ma , Gesa Pflitsch, Max Eriksson, Max-Peter Menzel <i>Institutional Change and Industry Evolution: the example of the wind turbine industry in Germany from 1974-2004</i>	Betsy Donald <i>AI and automation in Canada's Food Produce Sector: disruptive innovation or path dependence and "lock in"?</i>	Alessandro Muscio, Amir Maghssudipour , Yuntao Wang <i>Digital Transformation for Eco-Innovation: Evidence from Agriculture 4.0 Adoption in Wine Firms</i>
Emanuela Marrocu, Raffaele Paci, Luca Serafini <i>Investing in the Twin Transition: The Impact of Green and Digital Projects on Firms' Performance</i>	Elisa Barbieri , Sebastiano Cattaruzzo, Chiara Pollio, Elena Prodi <i>Industrial Policy for a Just Energy Transition: an analysis of employment dynamics across provinces</i>	Massimiliano Benvegnù, Vladi Finotto , Christine Mauracher, Monica Plechero <i>Next-Generation AKIS: Upscaling Knowledge Transfer and Innovation meeting Grand Societal Challenges through Communities of Practice and AI</i>	Rocco Pavesi , Luis Martinez Chafer, Ivan De Noni, Luigi Orsi <i>Agri-Food Twin Transition in European Regions: Profiling Leaders, Dynamics, and Policy</i>

David Córcoles, Lourdes Moreno-Mondéjar, Angela Triguero <i>Open Innovation for the digital and ecological transition by Spanish manufacturers: two sides of the same coin?</i>	Negar Safara Nosar <i>Navigating the Energy Transition: Institutional Dynamics of Small and Medium-Sized Ports Evolving into Low-Carbon Energy Hubs</i>	Leif Alexander Garbe, Christiane Gebhardt, Gabriele Harrer-Puchner <i>Sustainable Pathways for regional innovation and transformation in the agri-food in the coastal region of Eastern Germany. Impact assessment of policy-driven innovation clusters.</i>	
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October 24, 13:30 – 15:00 PM - Parallel session 6

A6 - Policies and agency in twin (and multiple) transitions	C6 - Regional Innovation Policies in an era of disruptive changes in the global economy	I6 - Disruptive innovation and regional restructuring in the age of the twin transition: perspectives from the study of food systems	R6- Regional and Sustainable development
Room: 9B	Room: 10B	Room: 10C	Room: 9C
Chair: Nora G. Bækkeund	Chair: Marco Bellandi	Chair: Cinzia Colapinto	Chair: Camilla Chlebna
Nora G. Bækkeund , Nanthini Nagarajah, Arnt Fløysand <i>Local embeddedness and social sustainability – salmon farming firms’ community orientation seen from a socio-emotional wealth perspective</i>	Michaela Tripl, Maximilian Benner, Annemarie Lechte <i>Geographies of the dark side of industrial restructuring: Rethinking paths, contexts, impacts, and policies</i>	Sharon Mayho , Robert Bowen, Nick Clifton <i>Food Sector Regional Ecosystems Support: a Wales, UK Case Study</i>	Camilla Chlebna , Stefan Philipp <i>Looking back to look forward – A recalibration to support a sustainable path development perspective</i>
Heli Kurikka <i>Social Filters and the Regional Opportunity Perception: Messages for Innovation Policy and the Twin Transition</i>	Shih-Chun Liu <i>Technological Innovation Systems and the Role of Policy in the Electrification of China's Automotive Industry</i>	Hanna Martin, Roman Martin <i>Shifting Demand Conditions and Green Regional Industrial Path Development: A Study of the Food Industry in Southern Sweden</i>	Endika Alabort, Matías Mayor, Patricia Suárez, Jesús M. Valdaliso Regional Development Agencies, innovation policies and agency in old industrial regions: history lessons for today’s grand societal challenges and transformative change

<p>Gesa Pflitsch, Tina Haisch <i>Resilience of Regional Labour Markets and Social Inclusion in the Twin Transition: Insights from the Food Industry in Switzerland and Austria</i></p>	<p>Marco Bellandi, Lisa De Propriis, André Torre <i>From Marshall's external economies to external economies of transformation in contemporary industrial spaces</i></p>	<p>Francesca Checchinato, Vladi Finotto, Christine Mauracher <i>Cooking change: the agency of chefs and culinary professionals in the sustainable transformation of food systems</i></p>	<p>Atle Hauge, Trond Nilsen, Giuseppe Calignano <i>Human agency and regional development: the role of patriotic capital</i></p>
	<p>Stine Lien, Anne Nordli, Gunhild Wedum <i>Rethinking Rural Innovation: Place-Based Policy Beyond Urban Growth Paradigms</i></p>		

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