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Network Planning for Regional Sustainability: The Case of Collaborative Regional Initiatives in California



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Judith Innes was on the faculty of the Department of City and Regional Planning at the University of California Berkeley from 1975 until she retired in 2011. She directed the Institute of Urban and Regional Development from 1994 to 2004, where she also

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About the talk... Planning today involves not just analysis, plan making or outreach. Increasingly planning is taking place almost invisibly through networks linking civic leaders, stakeholders, private sector actors, and public agencies. Indeed networks may offer the only realistic way to do planning in a metropolitan region with hundreds of independent entities with differing agendas and capabilities. This talk will focus on four such networks, Joint Venture Silicon Valley, The Sierra Business Council, San Diego Dialogue, and the Bay Area Alliance for Sustainable Communities, looking at how each contributed to the sustainability of its region. It will identify approaches to building and maintaining these networks that have been more and less effective and offer some theory about planning through networks.

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