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Aim and scope of the session:

The central focus on planning processes must be on resolving and avoiding complex problems, such as tackling demographic and climate change, safeguarding the energy supply to settlement systems, ensuring the provision of local amenities and recreational facilities for all and designing mobility systems, to cite some examples. Crucial factors for the success of democratically structured planning processes include objective, fact-based information, continuous communication and proper citizen participation. These call for methodical approaches combined with participated processes which provide an overview of and deeper insight into the problems and generate consensual models of potential solutions of life quality.