



18TH N-AERUS CONFERENCE
WHAT URBAN IN A HYPER-CONNECTED GLOBAL SOUTH?
Politecnico di Milano, September 14-16 2017

FINAL PROGRAM

Day 1 | Thursday, September 14

9.30 – 13.00: Registration open

9.30 – 10.00: WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY NOTES: Gabriele Pasqui (Director of the DASTU, Politecnico di Milano); Marcello Balbo (N-Aerus committee); Paola Piscitelli (Politecnico di Milano | DASTU)

10.00 – 11.00: KEYNOTE LECTURE: ‘CAN PLANNING HELP DELIVER HEALTHIER CITIES? REFLECTIONS FROM PRACTICE AND SOME POINTERS ON POLICY’, by Julio D Dávila (UCL | DPU)

11.30 – 13.00: Coffee break

11.30 – 13.00: PANEL 1. ‘UNDERSTANDING THE FEATURES OF THE NORTH IN THE URBAN SOUTH, AND OF THE SOUTH IN THE URBAN NORTH’ | Session 1

- *Conceptualising Emerging Urban Spaces: Towards a Global Urban Understanding*. Philipp Horn (The Open University), Paola Alfaro d’Alençon (TU Berlin), Ana Claudia Cardoso (Federal University of Pará)
- *Lagos and the African City: A Disorderly Reality?* Elisa Danese (Dalhousie University)
- *Benefitting from the breakdown of formal planning: the spontaneous regularization of informal settlements in Maputo, Mozambique*. Francesco Chiodelli (Gran Sasso Science Institute), Anna Mazzolini (Aarhus University)
- *The role of ‘connection’ in participatory management of landslide risk in low-income settlements in Medellín, Colombia*. Harry Smith (Heriot-Watt University), Soledad Garcia Ferrari (University of Edinburgh), Gabriela Medero (Heriot-Watt University) and Helena Rivera (Heriot-Watt University)
- *Where is the study of post-soviet cities positioned and why it needs to capitalize on the discussion on urbanization in ‘the South’*. Jakub Galuszka (TU Berlin)

13.00 – 14.30: Lunch

14.30 – 16.00: PANEL 1. ‘UNDERSTANDING THE FEATURES OF THE NORTH IN THE URBAN SOUTH, AND OF THE SOUTH IN THE URBAN NORTH’ | Session 2

- *Max Weber ‘orientalist’? Weber’s ‘The city’ in the postcolonial perspective*. Agostino Petrillo (Politecnico di Milano)
- *Global Cities and Informality*. Jacopo Targa (Università degli Studi di Bologna)
- *Informality in the Urban North: Analytical Tools for Evolving Frameworks*. Enrico Michelutti
- *Assessing the Impact of Online Platforms on the Bottom of the Pyramid*. Drishti Patel and Sejal Patel (Center for Environmental Planning and Technology University, Ahmedabad)
- *What moves in the Global South. Revisiting the new mobility paradigm from Bogotá*. Giovanni Vecchio (Politecnico di Milano)

16.00 – 16.30: Coffee break

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16.30 – 18.00: PANEL 2. 'PLANNING: FOR WHAT AND FOR WHOM' | Session 1

- *Blogging as a Tool for Advocacy Planning: The Case of Catalytic Communities and RioOnWatch*. James Piacentini (Columbia University)
- *Unfolding the relation between new towns developments and existing cities*. Maria Chiara Pastore (Politecnico di Milano)
- *Operation and maintenance mechanisms of private housing colonies in Pune, Maharashtra*. Chiranjay Shah (CEPT University, Ahmedabad)
- *Malindi and the Others: a problematic relationship shaping the city. A project for the transformation of the waterfront as socio-ecological infrastructure*. Alessandro Frigerio and Alessandra Sammartino (Politecnico di Milano)
- *Implications of boundaries on spatial planning and development: the issue of administrative versus traditional council boundaries as a subject for debate in KwaZulu-Natal*. Yvonne Ofosu-Kwakye (KwaZulu-Natal Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Pietermaritzburg)

20.00: Conference dinner offered by the DASTU-Polimi to the authors

Day 2 | Friday, September 15

9.30 – 11.00 PANEL 2. 'PLANNING: FOR WHAT AND FOR WHOM' | Session 2

- *Planning Theory in the Global South: Circulating traveling models from the North or hybrid arrangements?* Wolfgang Scholz (TU Dortmund)
- *From Hyper-Flexibility to a New Localism in Urban Livelihoods in the Global South*. Edmundo Werna (ILO)
- *Urbanisation and Social Risk: A Spatio-Political Case of Commercial Sex Workers in Mumbai*. Rajat Shubhro Mukherjee (University of Nottingham)
- *Manning the (Market)City: Threshold of a Shopping Mall as the South-North Cusp in Mumbai City*. Vekar H. Mir (Delhi School of Economics)
- *Information Platforms and Housing Choices by Different End-user Groups*. Bansari Prajapati and Sejal Patel (CEPT University, Ahmedabad)

11.00 – 11.30: Coffee break

11.30 – 13.00: PANEL 3. 'PLANNING: HOW? POLICIES, PROJECTS, COMMUNITY BASED INTERVENTIONS' | Session 1

- *Community based water supply in slums: Case study of Bhuj*. Mona Iyer (CEPT University, Ahmedabad)
- *Educating for urban social justice*. Eva Alvarez (UPM, Madrid)
- *Reinforcement of exclusion and inequality through agency of planning; a case study of Farahzad informal neighborhood, Tebran, Iran*. Arman Fadei (Politecnico di Milano)
- *Trans-disciplinary Co-production as a Transformative Process for Urban Sustainable Development*. Michael Oloko, Stephen Agong (Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology-JOOUST, Kenya) and Helen Arfvidsson (Mistra Urban Futures, Gothenburg, Sweden)
- *Urban Water Logging Adversity: a case study on Disruption of Urban Landscape due to Water Logging Problems and Probable Analytical Solutions for Urban Region of Port City Chittagong, Bangladesh*. Prinia Abbasi-Khanm and Obidul Haque (Premier University, Chittagong)

13.00 – 14.30: Lunch

14.30 – 16.00: PANEL 3. 'PLANNING: HOW? POLICIES, PROJECTS, COMMUNITY BASED INTERVENTIONS' | Session 2

- *Metropolitan Approach: geographical tools and metropolitan analysis for Latin American Metropolitan Projects Acupuncture. Mexico City, Guadalajara and Mazatlan (Mexico) key studies*. Antonella Contin (Politecnico di Milano)
- *Income diversity in Transit-Oriented Development areas (TOD): an analysis of the Belém metro station area in São Paulo, Brazil*. Quentin Lamour (Polytechnic School of the University of São Paulo), Karin R.C.C. Marins (Polytechnic School of the University of São Paulo)

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- *Institutionalizing informal network of the urban poor under enabling paradigm in Bangladesh*. Md. Ashiq Ur Rahman (University of Stuttgart) and Astrid Ley (University of Stuttgart)
- *Exploring Political Process and Power Relations in Information Trading Spaces in a Contested City: Karachi, Pakistan*. Najia Zaidi (Cardiff University)

16.00 – 16.30: WRAPPING UP by Marcello Balbo (IUAV | DPPAC)

16.30 – 18.00: ROUND TABLE: 'OPERATIONALIZING THE NEW URBAN AGENDA'

Round Table Participants: Astrid Ley (University of Stuttgart); Edoardo Croci (Bocconi University); Ashiq Ur Rahman (Khulna University in Bangladesh); Anka Derichs (GIZ). Moderator: Holger Kuhle (UN - SDSN/Paris)

Day 3 | Saturday, September 16

11.00 – 13.00 N-Aerus annual meeting, open to all participants