Past Present and Future of Public Space
Knowledge sharing toward implementation
of the New Urban Agenda
in the context of
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International symposium and workshop
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in partnership with
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with the participation of professors and students from
The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong
The Graduate Centre, City University of New York, USA
Hunan University, China
IUAV University, Italy
Keio University, Japan
KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden
KTH Centre for the Future of Places, Sweden
Lodz University of Technology, Poland
Manchester School of Architecture, United Kingdom
Meiji University, Japan
Politecnico di Milano, Italy
Pratt Institute, USA
Shanghai University, China
Stanford University, USA
Syracuse University in Florence, Italy
Tsinghua University, China
TU Vienna, Austria
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Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Spain
University of Auckland, New Zealand
University of Bologna, Italy
University of Cambridge, United Kingdom
University College Cork, Ireland
University of Florence, Italy
University of Nicosia, Cyprus
University of Palermo, Italy

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21 September 2018 /// Visit of the Architecture Exhibition ‘Free Space’
Welcome reception

10.00am – 6.00pm
Meeting at 10.00 at ‘Giardini’ (ticket counter) to collect the ticket to enter the exhibition for 3 consecutive days

6.30pm
Meeting outside ‘Giardini’ (main entrance) to walk toward the Cyprus pavilion

7.00pm – 8.00pm
Visit of the Cyprus Pavilion ‘I am where you are’ - https://www.arc.unic.ac.cy/iamwhereyouare/
Coordinated by Yiorgos Hadjichristou, curator of the Cyprus Pavilion

Welcome reception at the Cyprus pavilion
Location: Calle Pestrin, Castello, 30122 Venezia, Italy (outside the Venice Architecture Biennale)

22 September 2018 /// International symposium
Arsenale, Sale d’Armi G

SESSION 1

10.30am – 11.00am | Welcome address
Luisa Bravo, City Space Architecture, Italy
presenting City Space Architecture / Stand up for Public Space / The Journal of Public Space
and upcoming new projects and initiatives
Introducing the Manifesto on Public Space
with Malgorzata Hanzl, Lodz University of Technology, Poland + ISOCARP

11.00am – 11.30am | Overview
UN-Habitat’s public space global challenges and the New Urban Agenda
Laura Petrella, UN-Habitat, Kenya

A global perspective on our common urban future
Michael Mehaffy, KTH Centre for the Future of Places, Sweden

11.30am – 1.00pm | Academic programs, projects and activities
Kevin Hsu, Stanford University, USA
presenting Stanford Human Cities Initiatives
Setha Low, The Graduate Centre of City University of New York, USA
presenting the Public Space Research Group
Judith Lehner, TU Vienna, Austria
presenting the Urban Culture and Public Space Programme
Darko Radovic, Keio University, Japan
presenting co+labo Radovic
Hendrik Tieben, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong
presenting MSc in Urban Design
Ryan Locke, KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden
presenting KTH Master’s Program in Urbanism Studies
David Burney, Pratt Institute, USA
presenting Urban Placemaking and Management Programme
Manfredo Manfredini, University of Auckland, New Zealand + Hunan University, China
presenting Urban Research Network / Give us Space!

1.00pm – 2.00pm | Soft Lunch
Ristorante Le Bombarde – Arsenale di Venezia
SESSION 2

2.00pm – 4.00pm | Lectures
Davisi Boontharm, Meiji University, Japan
Urban Design in super mature society
Yiorgos Hadjiichristou, University of Nicosia, Cyprus + Cyprus pavilion (curator)
Pan Kaimakli Festival
Tara Kennedy, University College Cork, Ireland + Irish pavilion (curator)
Free Market
Richard Ingersoll, Syracuse University in Florence, Italy
Public space in the age of climate change
Manfredi Leone, University of Palermo, Italy
Public Spaces and Cities, between art and responsive communities
Estanislau Roca and Inés Aquilué, Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Spain
A new park for Shanghai
Luis Alfonso Saltos Espinoza and Daniela Hidalgo, Universidad Espíritu Santo, Ecuador
The right to the city in Ecuador: citizen participation in the management of public space
Simone Garagnani, University of Bologna, Italy + City Space Architecture, Italy
The digital domain: new technologies for cultural heritage and public space
Zhiyong Fu, Tsinghua University, China
Image recognition technology to visualize a local neighborhood public space
Charles Wolfe, KTH Centre for the Future of Places, Sweden
The role of urban observation, context and authenticity for the implementation of the New Urban Agenda

SESSION 3

4.00pm – 4.30pm | Italy as a case study
Introduction
Luisa Bravo, City Space Architecture, Italy
Special guest
Costanza Pera, Ministry of Infrastructure and Mobility, Italy
The New Urban Agenda in Italy: achievements and challenges for implementation

SESSION 4

4.30pm – 5.30pm | Roundtable discussions
Roundtable discussion #1
Moderator: Michael Mehaffy, KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden
Themes to be discussed
The implementation of the Public Space Agenda at the local level: challenges and complexities
The role of Architecture Schools in teaching public space design
Panelists
Eamonn Canniffe, Manchester School of Architecture, United Kingdom
Daniela Hidalgo, Universidad Espíritu Santo, Ecuador
Kevin Hsu, Stanford University, USA
Zhiyong Fu, Tsinghua University, China
Richard Ingersoll, Syracuse University in Florence, Italy
Judith Lehner, TU Vienna, Austria
Ryan Locke, KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden
Estanislau Roca, Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Spain
Hendrik Tieben, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong

Roundtable discussion #2
Moderator: Malgorzata Hanzl, Lodz University of Technology, Poland + ISOCARP
Themes to be discussed
Top-down versus bottom-up: where do architects/urban designers sit?
Placemaking and the risk of gentrification: adapting approaches and strategies for the regeneration of suburban intergenerational environments
Panelists
Inés Aquilué, Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Spain
Davisi Boontharm, Meiji University, Japan
David Burney, Pratt Institute, USA
Roundtable discussion #3
Moderator: Setha Low, The Graduate Centre of City University of New York, USA
Themes to be discussed
- The work of non-profit institutions to improve public space
- The role of national and regional governments for the implementation of the New Urban Agenda
Panelists
Antonella Bruzzese, Politecnico di Milano, Italy
Bryony Cooper, Urban Synergies Group, Australia
Simone Garagnani, University of Bologna, Italy + City Space Architecture, Italy
Manfredi Leone, Università di Palermo, Italy
Laura Petrella, UN-Habitat, Kenya
Luis Alfonso Saltos Espinoza, City Urb, Ecuador
Charles Wolfe, KTH Centre for the Future of Places, Sweden

5.30pm – 5.45pm | Break

SESSION 5

5.45pm – 7.00pm | Students’ speed presentation session
Moderator: Valerio Francia, City Space Architecture, Italy
Presentation of Master and PhD students
Damiano Zatti, IUAV University, Italy
Mapping Urban Safety in Public Space
Mahsa Mirbagheri, Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Spain
Urban integration of cemeteries as public open spaces
Georges Jadam, University of Florence, Italy
Strangeely Beeruta. Strategy for an integrated public transport system
Alessandra Lo Duca, University of Palermo, Italy
OPS - Open Public Space in Treviso: the Prato della Fiera oppurtunity
Erin Lilli, The Graduate Centre of City University of New York, USA
An ethnographic study of Crown Heights’ Brower Park: Piloting the Toolkit for the ethnographic Study of Space (TESS)
Troy Simpson, The Graduate Centre of City University of New York, USA
Remediating Sunset Park: Environmental injustice, danger, and gentrification
Luis Alfonso Saltos Espinoza, City Urb, Ecuador
Young people of Samborondón in public policies for public spaces (a film by City Urb Cia Ltda & Soul Plate Films)
Rosa Danenberg, KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden
The importance of main streets and the opportunity for migrant economies
Presentation of students’ work from KTH Master’s Program in Urbanism Studies, Sweden
Elisa Carvalho Diniz, Mathilde Riou, Michelle Pannone
Presentation of students’ work from Keio University, co+labo Radovic, Japan
Ayumu Magome, Mayuko Mikogami, Mei Morimoto, Daisuke Kobayashi, Takuomi Samejima
Presentation of students’ work from Meiji University, Japan
Tatsuki Ikebe, Hiromu Shimizu, Hiroki Igarashi, Tadao Yamaguchi, Yuriko Tanabe
Presentation of students’ work from Lodz University of Technology, Poland
Justyna Organa, Aleksandra Chlebowska, Weronika Remisz, Małgorzata Ostrowska
Presentation of students’ work from Pratt Institute, USA
John Bezemes, Kristin Brown
Presentation of the international workshop for students on September 23 with:
University of Auckland, New Zealand / Hunan University, China / Shanghai University, China
coordinated by Manfredo Manfredini

7.00pm – 7.15pm | Conclusions
Luisa Bravo, City Space Architecture, Italy

7.15pm – 8.00pm | Social event
Drink and networking activities
Ristorante Le Bombarde – Arsenale di Venezia
23 September 2018 /// Visit of the Architecture Exhibition ‘Free Space’

10.00am – 6.00pm
Visit at ‘Giardini’ and/or ‘Arsenale’ (multiple entrances allowed)

10.30am - 11.30am
Coordinated by Tara Kennedy, curator of the Irish Pavilion

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SESSION 6

11.30am - 1.30pm
Moderators
Manfredo Manfredini, University of Auckland, School of Architecture and Planning, New Zealand
Chen Hui, Hunan University, School of Architecture, China
Haison Wang, Shanghai University, China
Mingxing Song, Hunan University, China
Alex Young-II Seo, Centre for Urban Conflicts Research (UCR), University of Cambridge, UK

Presentation of students’ work from
University of Auckland, New Zealand
Junsun Baek, Bruce Han, Jinwoo Kuk, Tamin Song, Gangmiin Yoo, Sun Hee Yoo
Hunan University, China
Kangyi Cheng, Yuxiao Ren, Ling Si, Yuchen Tian, Yuhe Ding, Wei Peng, Min Yang, Wenhao Guo, Menglu Yan, Xiao Yang, Xinting Zhou, Yiyian Peng
Shanghai University, China
Junyao Yuan, Pan Liu

Roundtable discussion #4
Participation of students from
University of Auckland, New Zealand
Hunan University, China
Keio University, co+labo Radovic, Japan
KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden
Lodz University of Technology, Poland
Meiji University, Japan
Pratt Institute, USA
Shanghai University, China
Tsinghua University, China
The Graduate Centre of City University of New York, USA
Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Spain
University of Palermo, Italy

3.00pm – 4.30pm
Presentation of the book Dream your own future - Volksvlijt 2056
with Marieke Berkers and Steven Broekhof - http://www.volksvlijt.amsterdam/
Public space is a key element for sustainable urban development. Despite its broad and context-specific meaning, we all agree on the fact that public space is a common good, meant to be open, inclusive and democratic, a fundamental human right for everybody.

The symposium and workshop in Venice are the opportunity to present and discuss research activities, programmes and initiatives focused on public space, cities and urbanity promoted by several leading Universities worldwide. Through the exploration of different approaches, research outcomes and site-specific interventions, scholars and students will seek answers to questions about how public space in cities is nowadays lived, used, appropriated or neglected, abused and misunderstood, in relation to different geographical contexts, through presentations, lectures and roundtable discussions.

The symposium has a specific focus on global challenges addressed by the New Urban Agenda adopted in Quito at the Habitat III conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (2016) and the way researchers, policy makers and global institutions are implementing its contents, with particular reference to public space issues.

The symposium is curated by Luisa Bravo, President of City Space Architecture.