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Dear Readers,

With this newsletter Planum. The Journal of Urbanism is pleased to present the magazine updates. Planum has recently updated its website, hosting a growing and updated number of articles and list of contents. The following is a selection of the most interesting articles, latest events, news, book reviews and journal presentations that can be found on our website. The Journal is articulated into a **Magazine Column**, with peer-review evaluated articles and internal evaluated by the Editorial Board articles; a **News and Events Column**, with information on call for papers, conferences and competitions; a **Journals and Books Column**, with the presentation and review of international publishers' new books.

< strong>Planum is promoted by the Planum Association, which is open to academic and research institutes, practitioners associations and scientific journals. It is an **international scientific journal with a proper ISSN code (1723-0993) evaluated in the academic rankings** of scientific work. Planum follows the practice of the double-blind refereeing of submitted papers and research reports. The editorial staff is based in the DASTU - Department of Architecture and Urban Studies, Politecnico di Milano (Editor: Prof. P. Gabellini; Deputy Editor: Prof. M. Cremaschi; Editor in Chief: Ph.D. G. Fini).

Planum is open to new proposals for articles and specific issues in addition to events, calls for papers, and book reviews. Enjoy the reading on our web site and follow *Planum* on our social networks as well!
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MAGAZINE**From 'Teaching and Learning Experiences' Section:****A Cohesion Policy and Local Development Studio in a Multicultural Planning Course + Students Final Reports***by Carolina Pacchi, Costanzo Ranci, Rossana Torri*

The paper aims at discussing the underlying concepts and the results of a studio experience on Cohesion Policy and Local Development in the Master of Science in Urban Planning and Policy Design in the School of Architecture (Politecnico di Milano, Italy).

The paper briefly presents the peculiar approach of the graduate course in Urban Planning and Policy Design within a school of architecture, which importantly influences the way studio work is conceived and implemented, at both a theoretical and a practical level. In the core part, the paper discusses the complexity of the cohesion policy theme as a teaching focus: social cohesion is proposed as an interdisciplinary and complex issue, that requires to mix a sociological approach with a spatial planning one.

**From 'Themes on Line' Section:****Contemporary Anti-Urbanism***by Cristina Bianchetti, Angelo Sampieri*

Helmond near Breda, Mill'O in Geneva suburbs, Munksogard in Copenhagen, Rio Cohousing in Stockholm, the many forms of shared living scattered in Berlin. It's not difficult to add other places where people live mostly in alternative ways to those of property and renting. What holds together such different places is a game against the city. The protagonists are usually families with small children and elderly, middle-class people with some financial as well as cultural resources, actors who are concerned about social justice and equity. In these

communities, people can feel out of a society that is perceived as unfair.

MAGAZINE | Planum Archive, Reading Suggestions



From 'Planum Archive': **Diary of a Planner** by *Bernardo Secchi*

"What I would ask that you to do now is to stop and reflect with me for a moment upon the meaning and sense of this era. Let us try to avoid simplification and maintain a critical distance from the vulgata and, as a result, also avoid their summary. I propose a provisional hypothesis - three different, but coherent, histories of the 20th century European and western city." Since 2002 Bernardo Secchi has published numerous articles on Planum. You can find again his *Diary of a Planner*, articulated in eleven different contribution, recently updated with new books' presentations and articles.

MAGAZINE | Planum Publications



Conference Proceedings 'CITIES TO BE TAMED?' Standards and alternatives in the transformation of the urban South Milan, 15 - 17 November, 2012

The International Conference 'CITIES TO BE TAMED?' focused on the role played by urban planning, design, and policies in the continuous urbanisation processes affecting the so-called 'global South'. The Conference aimed to explore the difference between 'standard' and 'alternative' strategies of transformation - especially investigating the relationships between the visions of policy-making, and the transformative agency of everyday urbanity.

The conference was organized into four main sections (Places of informality | Interplays of visions/realities | Power, planning and the city | Shifting paradigms in design and planning) with a total of 41 papers published on Planum no.26, vol.1/2013.

EVENTS & NEWS



National Conference

XVI National Conference of SIU

Urbanism for a different kind of growth. Conflicts in development, overcoming the recession and contemporary land-use planning
SIU - Società Italiana degli Urbanisti

Naples, Italy
9 - 10 May 2013

History confirms the central importance of the built environment as a driver of growth, wealth-creation and new opportunity. But the problem today is the need to support forms of local development through plans and projects that are sensitive to the interdependence between economic growth, environmental sustainability and social equity: in other words, between the economy, space and society.

The conference aim is to understand what growth means for the contemporary territory, and how it should be pursued within a development framework that is not necessarily linked to the production-consumption cycle and that is not viewed solely in quantitative and economic terms.



International Conference

REAL CORP 2013 | 18th International Conference on Urban Planning and Regional Development | Planning Times
CEIT - Central European Institute of Technology
ISOCARP- International Society of City and Regional Planners

Rome, Italy

20 - 23 May 2013

REAL CORP 2013 will explore the relationship between time and space, and how the planning practise and theory relates itself to this complex synergy.

The relationship between space and time has been formulated in the most diverse planning theories and has fascinated mankind from the beginning. When planning our cities, when defining projects that may improve the conditions of our society, when proposing decision processes that manage the space around us, when implementing techniques to foster development, the relationship between space and time is something we are constantly working with.

International
Conference

New Urban Languages

June, 19-21, 2013
Politecnico di
Milano

International Conference

New Urban Languages: Re-Imaging the City after the Knowledge-Based Turn

DASU - Department of Architecture and Urban Studies

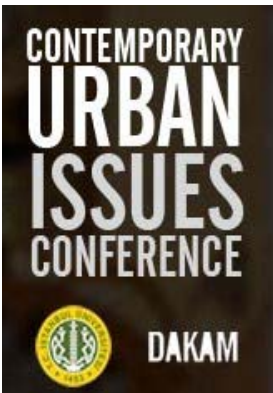
Politecnico di Milano

Milan, Italy

19 - 21 June 2013

This conference aims at exploring the multiple, innovative ways which are and can be used to describe and analyze contemporary cities, with peculiar attention granted to the role of new media (web 3.0, geo-social networks, etc.). These virtual environments, in fact, generate collective, self-organized and informal sources of knowledge, which cover international urban networks and highly impact on our understanding of urban spatiality in the 21st century.

This event will show samples of how the major contemporary cities are studied, analyzed and represented, through a highly interdisciplinary perspective, fostering the dialogue between geography, architecture, spatial semiotics and urban studies.



Call for Papers

CUI 2013 - Contemporary Urban Issue Conference | Informality: Rethinking the Urban

DAKAM - Eastern Mediterranean Academic Research Center

Deadline: 21.06.2012

Istanbul, Turkey

4 - 6 November 2013

It is widely accepted that informal way of living is a necessity for the urban poor as a survival strategy. Today, the boundary between the formal and informal is blurred more than before since most urbanites, including the middle classes, experience both formal and informal encounters in their everyday life. Focusing on a multidimensional urban phenomenon, this international conference aims to deepen the understanding of informality by opening it to discussion with contributions from various disciplines like architecture, urban planning, sociology, history, economy and anthropology.



European Conference

Smart City Event 2013

ASC - Amsterdam Smart City

Amsterdam, The Netherlands

29 - 30 May 2013

The Smart City Event is a 2-day conference which provides the opportunity to learn about the latest developments in the world of sustainable innovation. Hear from city and corporate leaders who will share their experiences with implementing successful Smart projects. You can learn about smart grids, big data, lighting, e-mobility, sustainable building, e-health, and more. There will be representatives from more than 15 EU cities to come share their experiences.

Summer School

To-uS Summer School on Urban Studies for Smart Cities

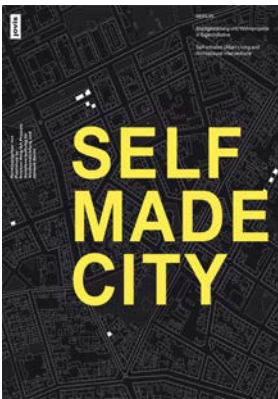


Deadline: 15.06.2013
Politecnico di Torino

Turin, Italy
2 - 6 September 2013

The Summer School aim is to provide high level education to PhD students interested in understanding how and to what extent our cities are changing, following - or contrasting - the path of the so-called “smart cities revolution”. The To-uS Summer School programme will explore links of the smart city model with other powerful visions of cities in transformation. Academics and experts in different fields, including planners, evaluators, urban sociologists, urban geographers, urban designers, political scientists, urban managers, will contribute to the subject, providing a plural perspective on the smart cities debate.

JOURNALS & BOOKS



Selfmade City
edited by Kristien Ring, Franziska Eidner

Published by JOVIS, Berlin | 2013

Berlin is thought of as the city of Urban Pioneers, a place where everything is possible and where space can be taken over and transformed. Voids and unused spaces waiting to be occupied, old buildings engaged with new program. Selfmade city presents the evolving condition in Berlin, including a survey of over 120 projects, an analysis of the qualities and potentials of these projects as well as 50 best-practice case studies. Which contributions are being made in private initiative for the development of the city and what can be achieved in the future? Which methods and strategies are generating added value?

Handmade Urbanism
From Community Initiatives to Participatory Models
edited by Marcos L. Rosa, Ute E. Weiland

Published by JOVIS, Berlin | 2013

People have always been interested in the cities in which they live. With the world's stark urbanization, the engagement of citizens to improve their urban environments is also growing. Far from the traditional urban planning culture, they make use of limited resources, offering solutions to face the challenges these cities offer. Handmade Urbanism showcases 15 projects realized mostly in less favored areas of five major cities in emerging countries, examining the potential of urban transformation embedded in community initiatives.

The Urban Masterplanning Handbook
edited by Eric Firley, Katharina Groen

Published by John Wiley & Sons Ltd | 2013



A highly illustrated reference tool, this book provides comparative visual analysis of major urban extensions and masterplans around the world. It places an important new emphasis on the processes and structures that influence urban form, highlighting the significant impact that the different actors might have on shaping a particular project. A wide geographical range of contemporary and historic masterplans are featured. These encompass European projects (Belgravia, Sarphatipark, Potsdamer Platz, La Défense Seine Archs, Hammarby Sjöstad) and more recent and ongoing international urban schemes (such as Puerto Mader o in Buenos Aires, Downtown Dubai and the New Central Business District in Beijing).



La città dei ricchi e la città dei poveri
by **Bernardo Secchi**

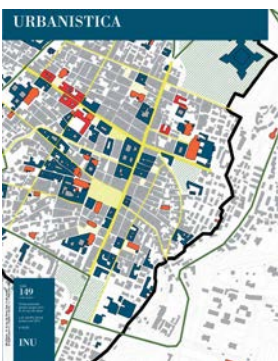
Published by Laterza, Roma - Bari | 2013

L'urbanistica ha forti, precise responsabilità nell'aggravarsi delle disuguaglianze. Nelle culture occidentali la città è stata a lungo immaginata come spazio dell'integrazione sociale e culturale. Oggi più che in passato, nelle grandi aree metropolitane, le disuguaglianze saltano agli occhi e strategie di distinzione ed esclusione sono state spesso favorite dallo stesso progetto urbanistico.

Bisogna tornare a riflettere sulla struttura spaziale della città, riconoscere l'importanza che nel costruirla ha la forma del territorio. Tornare a conferire agli spazi urbani una maggiore e più diffusa porosità, permeabilità e accessibilità; disegnarli con ambizione, tenendo conto della qualità e delle città che ci hanno preceduto e ragionare di nuovo sulle dimensioni del collettivo.

The following issues are the latest ones presented on the 'Journal and Books' column. On Planum you can also find the complete collection and issue previews of several different Journals. Discover them!

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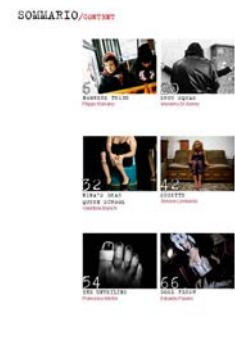
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