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The Municipal structural plan (Psc) of Reggio Emilia and the challenges of a new citizenship*Graziano Delrio*

We know very well that the city has always been a laboratory of social research and production, in which, especially today, the Europe of cities is being constructed, of which Reggio Emilia wishes to form part.

We are aware that the excellencies preserved by Reggio, and first and foremost those pinpointed by the Psc, are strong with their convictions and their well-entrenched, widespread experience.

The ever more 'liquid' borderline between shared identity and personal insecurity, between community cohesion and social and urban dispersion, is in need of a sort of 'strabismal' programming, able to place the city in broad-ranging perspectives, distant in time, simultaneously giving answers in the short term.

In the scenario of the Psc, the standpoint from which to start is the look that every person gives at the places in their everyday aspect.

The demand to which we are required to find an answer is that of enhancing the quality of life of the persons and of the places where they live. In outlining the future we continue to indicate not the rush towards private spaces, but the centrality of public spaces, as an answer to the feeling of uprootedness of one's own identity.

Such is the material of the Psc, when contending with the Plan of services for increased social cohesion, or with the Mobility plan, which deals with sustainable mobility. When we speak about productive 'Poles' or centres, or Poles of excellence, we are speaking about places where it is possible to work and produce while respecting

the environment.

This idea of a supportive, open city, dedicated to persons, rests on solid foundations (the ancient polis) in which every person and every space is entitled to citizenship when they are the object of mutual care and responsibility. We want to be inspired by this style of citizenship for the Psc that is designing our future Reggio.