

**At the frontiers of the urban:
thinking concepts & practices globally**

10—12 November 2019

Urban societies are undergoing immense changes; how are urban concepts and practices responding?

Over the next three days of cutting-edge scholarship and dialogue, this conference seeks to stimulate new conceptualisations of the urban resonant with distinctive urban experiences across the globe.

Our starting points are: how land, investment, finance, law and the state are *reshaping urban spaces*; or how processes of reproducing everyday life, identity politics, popular mobilization and contestation are *remaking urban experiences*; or how challenges of urbanisation, such as climate change, data, health, housing and poverty are *redefining urban futures*.

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Registration

To attend sessions, you are required to wear a conference lanyard. You can pick these up when you first arrive at the following times and locations:

Sunday 10 November

17.30—19.30

The Bartlett School of Architecture,
22 Gordon Street, WC1H 0QB

Monday 11 November

09.30—11.30

Jeffery Hall, UCL Institute of Education,
20 Bedford Way, WC1H 0AL

13.30—16.30

South Wing Committee Room (G14),
Wilkins

17.45—18.15

Cruciform Building
[evening plenary tickets only]

Tuesday 12 November

09.15—16.00

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You can also visit our conference staff at these locations if you require any assistance. Staff will also be located in most session rooms.

Session Details

Full abstracts can be found on the UCL Urban Laboratory website, and are available as print-outs in each room.



Sunday 10 November

TheoriSE? SouthEastern Approaches at the Frontiers of the Urban

The goal of this roundtable event is to conduct a discussion on the role of 'southern' and 'eastern' theory in urban studies, as the first phase of a series of symposia on the topic. The next meeting is due to take place at MIT 2020, and following that in Cape Town. A related goal is the establishment of a network of scholars working on/in cities of the south/east. The roundtable will be composed of three recorded and documented sessions. In each session there will be 'opening statements' from invited participants, followed by an open discussion.

Session A: 14:00—15:30

Knowledge, Praxis and Ethics

Chair: Oren Yiftachel; Opening statement:
Gautam Bahn

Session B: 15:45—17:30

Concepts: Meta, Meso, Local?

Chair: Jennifer Robinson, Opening statement:
Vanessa Watson

Session C: 17:30—18:00

Moving Ahead

Chair and Opening statement: Raj Balakrishnan

The session is invitation only, but if you would like to attend, please email Oren Yiftachel at yiftach@bgu.ac.il

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Opening Reception: Thinking London from Elsewhere

Join us as we open the conference with drinks, canapés, music and talks that position London as a receptacle of 'theory from elsewhere', with the city's global connections and associated population flows used as a starting point.

With Prof. Ben Campkin, Professor of History and Theory of Architecture and Urbanism at UCL, Dr Suzanne Hall, Associate Professor of Sociology at the LSE, Dr Rebecca Ross, Acting Programme Director and MA Course Leader in Graphic Communication Design at Central Saint Martins, University of the Arts London, and Dr Myfanwy Taylor, urban and economic geographer at the University of Leeds.

With a welcome and introduction by conference convenors Dr Clare Melhuish and Prof. Jennifer Robinson.

Monday 11 November

Conference Opening Remarks and Introduction

With Prof. Christoph Lindner, Dean of The Bartlett Faculty of the Built Environment, UCL

Plenary 1: Urban Co-Ordinates

Chair: Prof. Jennifer Robinson, Chair of Human Geography, UCL

This session will explore the ways in which thinking the urban through specific contexts, and from different urban practices, might inform and (re-)frame conceptualisations of the 'urban' and urbanisation as well as inform responses to the significant challenges they represent. How might the different approaches presented here be placed into dialogue with one another?

Prof. Susan Parnell

Susan Parnell is a Global Challenges Professor of Human Geography at the University of Bristol and Emeritus Professor at the University of Cape Town, where she was the co-founder of the African Centre for Cities. She has recently been a Visiting Professor at LSE Cities, a Leverhulme Visiting Professor at UCL and the Emeka Anyaoku Visiting Chair, UCL. She has been actively involved in local, national and global urban policy debates around the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals and is an advocate for better science policy engagement on cities. Recent books include *Building a Capable State: Post Apartheid Service Delivery* (Zed, 2017) and *The Urban Planet* (Cambridge, 2017).

Prof. Fulong Wu

Fulong Wu is Bartlett Professor of Planning at University College London. His research interests include urban development in China and its social and sustainable challenges. He has recently published a book, *Planning for Growth: Urban and Regional Planning in China* (2015, Routledge). He is an Editor of *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*. He was awarded 2013 Outstanding International Impact Prize by UK ESRC. He has previously taught at Cardiff University and the University of Southampton.

Dr Gautam Bhan

Gautam Bhan is Senior Lead (Academics & Research) at the School of Human Development at the Indian Institute for Human Settlements. He teaches, researches and writes on the politics of urban poverty and inequality, urban and planning theory, housing, and identity and social practice. He has been an active part of urban social movements on sexuality as well as housing rights, and currently advises and trains governmental agencies at local, state and national levels on housing policy.

Prof. Raquel Rolnik

Raquel Rolnik is a professor and urban planner, with over 40 years of scholarship, activism and practical experience in planning, urban studies and housing policies. She is professor at the Faculty of Architecture and Urbanism of the University of São Paulo. In her career, she has held various government positions including Director of the Planning Department of the city of São Paulo (1989–1992) and National Secretary for Urban Programs of the Brazilian Ministry of Cities (2003–2007). From 2008 to 2014 she was the UN Human Rights Council Special Rapporteur on adequate housing. She is the author of several articles and books, including 'Urban warfare: housing under the empire of finance'.

A1: Thinking from the East(s)

Chair: Dr Michał Murawski, Lecturer in Critical Area Studies, School of Slavonic and East European Studies, UCL
Discussant: Prof. Oren Yiftachel, Chair of Urban Studies, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Beersheba

How we theorised cities from the North and South but forgot to think with the Easts

Prof. Martin Müller, Associate Professor, Faculty of Geosciences, University of Lausanne

Comparison in the Cold War: Thinking the Third World through the Second World

Dr Łukasz Stanek, Lecturer, Manchester Urban Institute, The University of Manchester

Underresearched and undertheorized: on the (lack of) academic investigation of Central Asian cities

Prof. Elena Trubina, Professor of Social Theory, Ural Federal University

B1: Urban Studies—Starting in Africa: Land and Urban Conflict

Chair: Dr Colin Marx, Senior Lecturer, The Bartlett Development Planning Unit, UCL

Discussant: Dr Beacon Mbiba, Senior Lecturer in Urban Policy and International Development, Oxford Brookes University

Land use planning and traditional authorities in Lilongwe City, Malawi: spatial practices in the production of urban space

Dr Evance Mwachungu, Lecturer and Head of Geography and Earth Sciences Department, Chancellor College, University of Malawi

Urban land nexus in African cities: the State and the market at the cross-roads

Prof. Wilbard Kombe, Professor of Urban Land Management and Director of the Institute of Human Settlements Studies, Ardhi University, Dar es Salaam

Theorising from Black Global Souths: young people's embodied experiences of public space and everyday power relations in Accra, Ghana

Victoria Okoye, PhD candidate, School of Architecture and Department of Urban Studies & Planning, The University of Sheffield

C1: Urban Landscapes of Displacement

Chair: Dr Jonathan Rock Rokem, Lecturer in Human Geography, University of Kent

Discussant: Dr Tatiana Thieme, Associate Professor, UCL Geography

Forced displacement, urbanization, and the dark side of informality: a view from lebanon

Prof. Mona Harb, Professor of Urban Studies and Politics, American University of Beirut

Departure cities: on hyper-mobile urbanism and mobilisation of people 'on the move'

Dr Irit Katz, Lecturer, School of Architecture, The University of Sheffield

C. Extended Urbanisation: from the outside-in
14.00—15.30 IAS ROOM 20

D1: Insecurities and Urban Violence

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Chair: Dr Susan Moore, Associate Professor of Urban Development and Planning, UCL

Discussant: Dr Katherine Saunders-Hastings, Lecturer in Latin American Studies, UCL

Governing urban life through violence and exclusion: lessons from Nigeria and South Africa

Dr Laurent Fourchard, Director of Research, Fondation Nationale de Sciences Politiques

More-than-human geographies of policing

Prof. Rivke Jaffe, Professor of Urban Geography, University of Amsterdam

D. Insecurities and urban violence
14.00—15.30 IAS ROOM 11

E1: Urban Politics and Revolution

Chair/discussant: Prof. Camillo Boano, Professor of Urban Design and Critical Theory, UCL

Decolonising space through appropriation of urban transformation

Dr Ronnen Ben-Arie, Adjunct Lecturer, Faculty of Architecture and Town Planning, Technion—Israel Institute of Technology

Tunis as revolutionary city

Dena Qaddumi, PhD candidate (Architecture), Centre for Urban Conflicts Research, University of Cambridge

Gaza: space, violence and everyday non-life

Prof. Haim Yacobi, The Bartlett Development Planning Unit, UCL

F1: Thinking (through) Infrastructure

Chair: Dr Jenny McArthur, Lecturer in Urban Infrastructure and Public Policy, UCL

Designing the off-grid city: empowering the transactions of infrastructure

Prof. Aseem Inam, Chair in Urban Design, Cardiff University

The materiality of pipes: heterogenous infrastructures

Dr Maria Rusca, Researcher in Water and Society, Department of Earth Sciences, Uppsala University

The infrastructural 'WE': the gendered materiality of infrastructure and its governing

Dr Hanna Ruszczyk, Postdoctoral Research Associate, Department of Geography, Durham University

Is the 'neoliberal' trope enough to think (through) water infrastructure? Reflections from Indian urban diverse realities

Marie-Hélène Zérah, Research Director (Urban Studies), Institute of Research for Development; Centre d'études en sciences sociales sur les mondes africains, américains et asiatiques, Université Paris Diderot

A2: Knowledge and Global Urban Studies

Chair: Prof Julio D Davila, Professor of Urban Policy and International Development, UCL

Discussant: Prof. Susan Parnell, Chair in Human Geography, University of Bristol

Reinventing planning education through networked pedagogies

Prof. Adriana Allen, Professor of Development Planning and Urban Sustainability, The Bartlett Development Planning Unit, UCL

Julia Wesely, Research Fellow, The Bartlett Development Planning Unit, UCL

The challenge of conflicting rationalities about urban development: experiences from Mistra Urban Futures' transdisciplinary urban research

Prof. David Simon, Professor of Development Geography, Royal Holloway University of London

Dr Warren Smit, Research Manager, African Centre for Cities, University of Cape Town

A. Dis/locating Urban Theory
16.00—17.30 IAS COMMON GROUND

B2: Black Urbanisms

Chair: Dr Kamna Patel, Associate Professor, The Bartlett Development Planning Unit, UCL

Respondents: Lioba Hirsch, Research Fellow, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine

Dr H el ene Neveu Kringelbach, Associate Professor, UCL African Studies

Prof. Ola Uduku, Professor of Architecture, Manchester School of Architecture

Black urbanism...

Prof. AbdouMaliq Simone, Senior Professorial Fellow, The Urban Institute, University of Sheffield

B. Black and African Urbanisms
16.00—17.30 IAS FORUM

C2: Land, Accumulation and the 'Post-colonial Suburb'

Chair: Prof. George Owusu, Department of Geography and Resource Development, University of Ghana

Discussants: Dr Rita Lambert, Teaching Fellow, The Bartlett Development Planning Unit, UCL

Dr Paula Meth, Reader, Department of Urban Studies and Planning, The University of Sheffield

Land, accumulation and the postcolonial suburb

Prof. Claire Mercer, Professor of Human Geography, LSE

D2: Urban Carcerality roundtable

Chair: Dr Caroline Oliver, Associate Professor of Sociology, Education, Practice & Society, UCL

Participants: Hannah Elsis, Lecturer in Modern Middle East History, King's College London; PhD candidate, Merton College, University of Oxford

Dr Brian Jordan Jefferson (via video), Associate Professor of Geography and Geographic Information Science, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Prof. Bruce Stanley, Professor for International Relations, Richmond—The American International University in London

Dr Annie Pflingst, Visiting Research Fellow, Department of Sociology, Goldsmiths, University of London

E2: Unaffordable Housing

Chair: Prof. Miraftab Faranak, Professor of Urban and Regional Planning, University of California, Berkeley

Discussant: Dr Joe Penny, Lecturer in Economic Geography, School of Geography, Queen Mary University of London

Broken cities: inside the global housing crisis

Dr Deborah Potts, Emeritus Reader, Department of Geography, School of Global Affairs, King's College London

Housing and the authoritarian turn

Dr David Madden, Associate Professor in Sociology, Department of Sociology, LSE

E. Thinking the urban globally
16.00 – 17.30 HALDANE ROOM

F2: Comparative Urban Governance: What is Governed?

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Chair: Prof. Claire Colomb, Professor of Urban Studies and Planning, UCL

Discussant: Prof. Joe Painter, Department of Geography, Durham University

'What do left wing mayors achieve', a comparison (with E. Marques)

Prof. Patrick Le Galès, CNRS Research Professor of Sociology and Politics, Sciences Po

Policy trajectories in São Paulo: incrementalism, latency, and reanimation

Prof. Eduardo Cesar Leão Marques, Department of Political Science and Centre for Metropolitan Studies, University of São Paulo

Chinese investment into London's residential built environments

Prof. Mike Raco, Chair of Urban Governance and Development, The Bartlett School of Planning, UCL

F. Thinking the urban globally
16.00—17.30 PEARSON BUILDING G07

G1: Nationalising the Urban Frontier? Cities and the Rise of (Neo)nationalism

Chair: Prof. Oren Yiftachel, Chair of Urban Studies,
Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Beersheba

Discussants: Prof. Camillo Boano, Professor of Urban
Design and Critical Theory, UCL

Dr Moriel Ram, Research Associate in Israel Studies,
SOAS University of London

How might cities counter nationalist conflict?

Prof. James Anderson, School of Geography, Queen's
University Belfast

Between the national and the urban: the complex role of neighbourhood councils in East Jerusalem

Dr Nufar Avni, Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellow, The Hebrew
University of Jerusalem

Dis/b/ordering urban space

Dr Kathryn Cassidy, Associate Professor of Human
Geography, Northumbria University

Bridging the urban and (Neo)national divide: bringing geopolitics and nationalism into the mainstream of comparative urban studies

Dr Jonathan Rock Rokem, Lecturer in Human Geography,
University of Kent

Plenary 2: Urban Extents and Limits: What Are the Frontiers?

Chair: Dr Pushpa Arabindoo, Associate Professor,
Department of Geography, UCL

This session considers the challenges of (re-)thinking the urban for governance and politics as well as for urban theory. (Re-)thinking the urban means engaging with changing and extending processes of urbanisation, questioning the territorial and analytical limits of the urban at the same time as confronting new and diverse territorial formations.

Frontiers of engagement: tracing transdisciplinary insights along the borders of the urban

Dr Michelle Buckley, Assistant Professor, Department of Human Geography, University of Toronto

Considerations of the limits of 'the urban' and processes of urbanisation, I suggest, raise opportunities to extend and deepen a host of trans- and intra-disciplinary conversations on these matters. In this plenary I will trace several 'frontiers of engagement' between urban studies and other extant perspectives on urbanisation and capitalist transformation, such as diaspora studies, housing studies and labour studies, to examine the different spatial ontologies and theories of capitalism that animate some of this scholarship. In doing so, I explore three sites for heterodox research and theory on questions of global urban change—namely, those relating to property, personhood and praxis—that further dialogue along these lines might nurture.

Extended urbanisation: decentering perspectives on the urban

Prof. Christian Schmid, Professor of Sociology, Department of Architecture, ETH Zürich; Future Cities Laboratory Singapore

Urbanisation has got a planetary reach in the last decades. The boundaries of the urban have been exploded to encompass vast territories far beyond the limits of even the largest mega-city regions. Novel, extended patterns of urbanisation are crystallising in various environments, in agricultural areas, in the space of seeming wilderness and in the oceans, challenging inherited conceptions of the urban as a bounded zone and a dense settlement type. New concepts and terms are urgently required that would help us, both analytically and cartographically, to decipher the differentiated and rapidly mutating landscapes of urbanisation that are today being produced across the planet. This means first of all decentering the focus of analysis and adopting an ex-centric position, one that looks from the periphery and tries to detect urbanization processes. This contribution presents first results of the research project 'Territories of Extended Urbanization'

(ETH Future Cities Laboratory Singapore) that explores and analyses a range of very different case studies across the globe.

The mega urban agglomerations of the BRICS: stretching, layering, intersecting, bounding and governing

Prof. Philip Harrison, South African Research Chair in Spatial Analysis and City Planning, University of the Witwatersrand

Far-reaching political and economic transitions since the 1980s have induced composite changes within the urban agglomerations of the BRICS (among other countries within the 'emerging economy' category). These agglomerations have become larger, more complex, more spatially diffuse, more interconnected and more varied. The changes are the product of an entangled relationship between demographics, politics, economic process, regulatory regimes, the material production of the built environment and more, across intersected scales. The paper explores, through a comparative lens, the dual process of material expansion and reconfiguration, and of governance formation. The paper shows, firstly, how limited our current analytical constructs (e.g. 'metropolitan regions', 'city regions', 'mega regions', 'agglomerations') are against the nature of recent territorial formation. It shows, secondly, that there are, in fact, governance responses in all countries of the BRICS to the enhanced complexity of the urban composite. There is, however, an ongoing tension between the processes of material change which are stretching the urban and diffusing boundaries, and the requisites of governance, which require some level of bounding, but there are, nevertheless, also intriguing pointers from the BRICS to governance practices that may accommodate or mitigate this tension.

Presentation by Prof. Partha Mukhopadhyay, Senior Fellow, Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi

Tuesday 12 November



Parallel Plenary 3A: Reshaping Urban Spaces

Chair/discussant: Dr Balakrishnan Rajagopal, Associate Professor of Law and Development, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

This session considers how processes of investment, law and the state are reshaping urban spaces, including: the financial and legal politics of property restitution; the ways in which refugee and humanitarian interventions are reshaping urban development politics; and the ways in which forms of colonial power configure displaceability.

Law as an urban frontier: land struggles in Warsaw and Berlin

Dr Joanna Kusiak, Junior Research Fellow in Urban Studies, King's College, Cambridge

No urban conflict is more political than a land struggle. And nothing works more powerfully to depoliticize such conflicts than a legal ruling. Yet while the rule of law has emerged as a hegemonic tool of the modern state and capitalism, it also reproduces their internal contradictions. Based on my research in the cities of Warsaw and Berlin, this paper explores how urban movements undermine or co-opt the normative authority of the law to advance their political agendas. Both Warsaw tenants opposing dispossession-by-restitution and Berlin tenants seeking to expropriate corporate landlords have delved into the domain of legal technicalities, thus occupying the law rather than physically occupy the land. What are the potential gains and limits of such strategies?

Humanitarian urbanism: experiments in making cities of refuge

Dr Romola Sanyal, Associate Professor of Urban Geography, LSE

Displacement due to conflict has continued to grow through the 21st century and increasingly, those who are forcibly displaced are moving into urban areas rather than to camps. Humanitarian work has had to follow displaced populations into these spaces and find ways to support them whilst remaining politically neutral and maintaining 'do-no-harm' principles. Cities are challenging environments for humanitarians who are largely unfamiliar and uncomfortable working in them. Locating displaced persons in urban environments- who would prefer to remain hidden- is already difficult; supporting them, particularly in informal settlements and amongst the urban poor is even more challenging. State and municipal governments either aid or add to the difficulties by supporting or restricting the rights of displaced people within their jurisdictions. Humanitarian organizations have to resort to 'experimenting' in urban environments and developing lessons for crises elsewhere. In this talk,

I outline one such experiment and use it to unpack the politics of urban humanitarianism, the commodification of urban refugees as part of the humanitarian business, and the implications of these on urban and humanitarian futures.

Nationalizing the urban frontier: a political geography of polarisation and displacement

Prof. Oren Yiftachel, Chair of Urban Studies, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Beersheba

Nationalism and urban studies have developed into two of the most important fields of research in the social science. Yet these fields rarely converse, leaving the interaction between nationalism and urbanism unexplored and under-theorised. Such 'conversation' is more needed than ever, given the rapid rate of urbanisation and the 'return' of (neo)nationalism in recent years. The lecture explores the frontier of such interactions by focusing on the emergence of a new urban political geography marked by double polarisation and new forms of coloniality, born of the 'friction' of globalising urbanism and neo-nationalism.

Parallel Plenary 3B: Remaking Urban Experiences

Chair/discussant: Dr Susan Moore, Associate Professor of Urban Development and Planning, The Bartlett School of Planning, UCL

This session considers how urban experiences are being remade through cultural and political practices, including politics of queer and LGBTQ+ mobilizations, collaborative and community-based knowledge production and social movement activism

How to survive the patriarchal city: sharing cultures and affects in Buenos Aires and Rio de Janeiro

Dr Miguel Kanai, Senior Lecturer, Department of Geography, The University of Sheffield

In this presentation I will reflect on fieldwork that I have been conducting for the best part of the last decade with gender and sexuality activists in Buenos Aires, Argentina and in a more recent project of digital coproduction in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. I will begin the presentation explaining why survival is a key concept to understand such practices due to the multiple forms of violence that these collectives suffer in both cities, and which have acquired more urgency since the return of a hard right in Brazil. The presentation will then reflect on what could be gained by unlearning queerness to understand these activisms around gender- and-sexuality life projects as urban manifestation of the *feminismos populares* that have emerged throughout Latin America with women at the forefront of intersectional people's movements. Finally, a few concrete examples of cultures and affects at collaborative work will be provided to illustrate how the patriarchal city may be reshaped by the queer (free, diverse or dissident) tango movement in Buenos Aires and several grassroots initiatives to (re-)make Rio de Janeiro into a city of arrival and celebration.

High Stakes, High Hopes: urban theory in partnership

Prof. Sophie Oldfield, University of Cape Town-University of Basel Professor of Urban Studies.

High Stakes, High Hopes reflects on a decade-long research and teaching partnership, a collaborative process through which members of a township civic organization in Cape Town and I have researched the city together. In the paper, I track what unfolds differently when university practices of research are infused in civic realities and commitments, in its activism and politics, in provocative conversations on everyday urbanism. Narratives and stories bring into view the partnership and its practices. They open up the collaborative process, the forms of expertise in the Civic and in the university on which it builds, and their synthesis in the substance of the urban theory we produce. Anecdotal, ordinary, grounded, they become portals to theorise the city, able to move between university

and neighbourhood. In the partnership's methodology and epistemology are, I argue, high hopes for creating disciplinary forms of knowledge embedded in everyday struggles, their contradictions and possibilities.

Discipline and the city: the making of a world class city in Colombo

Iromi Perera, researcher and activist

After the end of the war in 2009, urban development and transforming the capital city of Colombo into a 'world class city' was a key priority for the Government of Sri Lanka. This ambitious plan was initially led by a newly created Ministry of Defence and Urban Development, with hundred of military personal at their disposal. The military was not just involved in the beautification of the city, but also disciplining and controlling spaces, and evicting urban poor communities from the city centre in order to make way for luxury condominium and high-end shopping complexes. My presentation will look at the remaking of the urban experience in post war Colombo through narratives of spatial injustice and modalities of disciplining and controlling space.

Parallel Plenary 3C: Redefining Urban Futures

Chair/discussion lead: Prof. Adriana Allen, Professor of Development Planning and Urban Sustainability, UCL

This session considers how urban practices of governance and development seek to frame urban futures, including climate change, digital practices and construction. Insights are drawn from innovative practices of marginalised urban communities, the unruly circulations of the material components of the future urban fabric, and the tactics and rationalities being invented to govern urban spaces and climates.

Fast urbanism: speed, time and slowness in 'smart' urban futures

Prof. Ayona Datta, Professor of Human Geography, UCL

In this talk I will discuss how speed is fundamental to transforming urban futures in the global south. Drawing upon last five years of research conducted in Indian cities, I will examine how a move towards creating 100 smart cities have had a profound impact on the management of speed, acceleration and efficiency in what I call 'fast urbanism' in Indian cities. I argue that the purpose of fast urbanism is to produce time as a commodity in order to emphasise its relative acceleration as a virtue in the future. In other words, a smart urban future gives the promise of speed and seamless governance to its citizens through several infrastructures of technology, while its actual conditions prove to be far more irregular and sporadic in everyday life. Using examples from small and metropolitan cities in India that aspire to smart futures, I will argue that fast urbanism is a utopian imagination when confronted with the social and gendered time of the city. Its relationship to a smart future is political, in which to promise speed in the future is to enact power in governing the present.

Climate change and the city

Dr Hannah Knox, Associate Professor, Department of Anthropology, UCL

In this talk I explore the epistemological challenges that climate change poses to urban practices of governance. Drawing on research conducted in the UK between 2011 and 2018 I outline how the calculative operations of climate science and the material relations they index, work to re-map spatial and temporal imaginaries of what is city is and what it can be. Building on these reflections I argue for a comparative understanding of the effects of this remapping on everyday practices of governing.

Concrete urban futures: exploring the materiality of African cities

Prof. Armelle Choplin, Associate Professor, Department of Geography and Environment, University of Geneva

In a context of 'planetary urbanisation' (Brenner, Schmid, 2016) and a 'construction boom' (Nunzio, 2019), trying to 'redefine Urban Futures' invites us to take into consideration the new urban forms that are unfolding, such as mega-city regions and urban corridors, and their materiality. Given the difficulty of understanding who makes up a city in Africa's contemporary urban revolution (Parnell and Pieterse, 2014), this paper sheds light on what, concretely, makes up the urban and its future, for better or worse. In particular, I offer to unpack the various roles that cement and the cement industry play in composing the urban.

3A-1.1: Land and Property

Chair/discussant: Dr Colin Marx, Senior Lecturer, The Bartlett Development Planning Unit, UCL

Unpacking tenure security in Yogyakarta: a community-led approach to reframing concepts and practices

Katrin Hofer, Research Fellow, The Bartlett Development Planning Unit, UCL

Governance at the frontiers of urbanisation: exploring the role of Syndicates in territorialising power in the periphery of Kolkata

Dr Ratoola Kundu, Lecturer, Center for Urban Policy and Governance, School of Habitat Studies, Tata Institute of Social Sciences Mumbai

The push and ‘pool’ of the land: reflections on speculations in the Global South-East

Dr Nathan Marom, Senior Lecturer, IDC Herzliya, Israel

The making of Reclaimed Island: towards speculative strategies of development and governance

Ng Keng-Khoo, Lecturer, UCSI University Kuala Lumpur/ National University of Singapore

3A-2.1: Designing Urbanisms

Chair: Prof. Peg Rawes, Professor of Architecture and Philosophy, The Bartlett School of Architecture, UCL

Discussant: Dr Clare Melhuish, Director, UCL Urban Laboratory

Negotiating development in the fragmented metropolis: Architecture as territorial choreography in the Paris periphery

Lara Belkind, Lecturer at Columbia University GSAPP, Paris

Geography and Identity—Designing for emerging cities

Nicholas Choy, Associate, Allies and Morrison

Language as a construction site. Fictional geographies and urban typologies of real estate advertising

Marija Maric, PhD candidate, Institute for the History and Theory of Architecture, ETH Zürich

Socio-environmental indicators and the role of the University as an anchor in the process of urban regeneration: the case of the Federal University of Southern Bahia's (Brazil) rural campus

Prof. Joel Pereira Felipe, Visiting Research Fellow, UCL Urban Laboratory

3B-1.1: Sharing Public Space

Chair: Dr Yasminah Beebeejaun, Associate Professor, The Bartlett School of Planning, UCL

Contextualising religiosity: religious parades as temporal desecularization of urban landscape. A view from Acre
Prof. Nimrod Luz, Associate Professor, Kinneret College on the Sea of Galilee

Sharing common ground: making refugee voices audible through play

Catalina Pollak Williamson, Lecturer, University of East London; PhD candidate, UCL

Policing the sidewalks: politics of street vending in Tehran
Dr Mojgan Taheri Tafti, Lecturer, University of Tehran

Virtual resistance, material consequences: countering state projects in (semi-) authoritarian Russia

Dr Sven Daniel Wolfe, Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Lausanne

3B-1. Sharing Public Space
11.30—13.00 IAS FORUM

3B-2.1: Community Collaborations, Activism and Conflict in Planning

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Chair: Dr Pablo Sendra, Lecturer in Planning and Urban Design, UCL

Discussant: Prof. Sophie Oldfield, Professor of Urban Studies, University of Cape Town-University of Basel

Scaling up the fight to stay put on London's final gentrification frontiers?

Prof. Loretta Lees, Professor of Human Geography, University of Leicester

Just Space

—an informal alliance of community groups, campaigns and concerned independent organisations, formed to act as a voice for Londoners at grass-roots level during the formulation of London's major planning strategy, particularly the London Plan.

'Fighting for planning, planning for fighting': an experience of conflictual planning—Vila Autodromo, Rio de Janeiro

Prof. Carlos Vainer, Institute of Urban and Regional Planning and Research, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro

3B-2. Collaboration & Participation
12.00—14.00 DPU ROOM 101 (34 TAVISTOCK SQ)

3C-1.1: Infrastructures of Extended Urbanisation

Chair: Dr Andrew Harris, Associate Professor, Department of Geography, UCL

Discussant: Prof. Christian Schmid, Professor of Sociology, Department of Architecture, ETH Zürich; Future Cities Laboratory Singapore

The masking of an urban Southern Ocean

Charity Edwards, Lecturer, Department of Architecture, Monash University, Melbourne

Cities and the eel: urban political ecology, metabolic flows, and the European Eel across the longue durée

Dr Seth Gustafson, Lecturer in Human Geography, UCL

Urbanization without an Inside: sand, scale, and territory in Southeast Asia

William Jamieson, PhD candidate, Royal Holloway, University of London

From an urban to a planetary metabolism: developing a theoretical framework

Arnout Sabbe, doctoral researcher, Department of Urbanism, Delft University of Technology

3C-2.1: Re-Orienting Sustainability

Chair: Dr Ellie Cosgrave, Lecturer in Urban Innovation and Policy, UCL

The commodification of waste: from threat to frontier

Dr Mohammed Rafi Arefin, Assistant Professor/Faculty Fellow, NYU Gallatin

Toxicity, vitality, and value: urban 'regeneration' and slow violence on Lebanon's coast

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The internet of things: enabling cities to strive towards a circular economy

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Transdisciplinarity vs. transdisciplinarity: a radical approach to sustainability or a method to co-produce solutions?

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3A-1.2: (II)legality and Urban Development

Chair/discussant: Dr Balakrishnan Rajagopal, Associate Professor of Law and Development, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Disaster victims as urban producers: space, justice and heritage in post-disaster Concepción, Chile

Dr Ricardo Fuentealba, PhD candidate, University of Amsterdam

Defending the public interest: exploring the judicial processes of contested urban planning practices in London and in Istanbul

Ayse Gümeç Karamuk, PhD candidate, Department of Geography, UCL

Conjuring property through the agrarian state

Dr Thomas Cowan, Researcher, Department of Social Anthropology, University of Bergen

Land traffickers and the fertile spaces of legality in Lima

Dr Rita Lambert, Teaching Fellow, The Bartlett Development Planning Unit, UCL

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Chair: Prof. Jennifer Robinson, Chair of Human Geography, Department of Geography, UCL

Fireflies of residual urbanity: surviving fast urbanism in the European South

Prof. Ugo Rossi, Associate Professor, University of Turin

Necrosettlements: urban poor's rehousing and death-worlds in Mumbai

Rishi Kumar Jha, PhD candidate, Lund University

River and the riverfront: towards anthropological inquiry of an urban infrastructure project

Yogita Naruka, PhD candidate, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai

Small city and big task: (re)worked lakeshore in Dali, southwest China

Yawei Zao, PhD candidate, Department of Geography, University of Calgary

Suturing Luanda after the boom: recomposing associational life in a city on hold

Dr Chloé Buire, Researcher (CNRS), Les Afriques dans le monde, Sciences Po Bordeaux

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Chair: Dr Miguel Kanai, Senior Lecturer, Department of Geography, The University of Sheffield

Urban enclaving: conceptualising private urban development in Africa

Dr Austin Dziwornu Ablo, Lecturer, University of Ghana, Legon

The infrastructure of submarine urbanism: Zanzibar in a black and blue world

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Is there a world-class city method?

Dr Alessandra Radicati, Fellow, LSE

Transfer mechanisms of strategic spatial planning to post-Soviet cities: the case of integrated urban development projects in Ukraine

Vladyslav Tyminskyi, PhD candidate, Institute of Urban Planning and Design, University of Stuttgart

3B-1.2: Juxtaposition, Conflict and Segregation in Cities

Chair/discussant: Prof. Mona Harb, Professor of Urban Studies and Politics, American University of Beirut

Breaking down the nation-state: retreat and belonging in upper class gated communities in Johannesburg

Dr Federica Duca, Senior Researcher, Public Affairs Research Institute, University of the Witwatersrand

Juxtacities: urban divides, authority and citizenship in the global south

Dr Amanda Hammar, Associate Professor, Centre of African Studies, University of Copenhagen

Dr Marianne Millstein, Senior Researcher, Norwegian Institute for Urban and Regional Research, Oslo Metropolitan University

Designing care via sharing: theorizing South-South urban practices

Dr Elahe Karimnia, Researcher, Theatrum Mundi

Making space between confinement and contention: Afro-Colombians at the pluri-ethnic interface

Giulia Torino, PhD candidate, University of Cambridge

3B-2.2: Collaboration and Participation: Experiences

Chair: Iromi Perera, researcher and activist

African fabbers cities: new opportunities for self-organisation and self-production in the African urban context

Dr Paolo Cascone, Scientific Director, African Fabbers School
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Mapping towards inclusive city-making: exploring participatory mapping methods in Freetown's informal settlements

Dr Beatrice de Carli, Lecturer, University of Sheffield

Coproducing knowledge for urban equality: processes and tensions in community-led city-wide partnerships

Dr Barbara Lipietz, Associate Professor, The Bartlett Development Planning Unit, UCL

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Storytelling as sentipensante: a co-designed platform for learning on slum upgrading strategies

Dr Catalina Ortiz, Associate Professor, The Bartlett Development Planning Unit, UCL

3C-1.2: Innovating Infrastructures

Chair: Prof. Andrew Barry, Professor of Human Geography, UCL

Global cities, urban forms: comics as infrastructure

Dr Dominic Davies, Lecturer in English, City, University of London

On alternative infrastructures and new urban commons in Palestine

Lana Judeh, Lecturer in Architecture, Birzeit University

The nexus between social capital, normality and energy innovation: cases of low-income urban settlements in Cape Town and Mumbai

Dr Anika Nasra Haque, Research Associate, Department of Geography, University of Cambridge

Osmotic city: negotiating Chennai's salt water geographies through engineering practice

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3C-2.2: Exploring Alternative Urban Futures

Chair: Prof. Camillo Boano, Professor of Urban Design and Critical Theory, UCL

Cooperative urbanity: scaling-up self-managed housing policies

Prof. Santiago Benenati Balparda, Associate Professor, FADU (School of Architecture, Design and Urbanism), Uruguay

Temporary collectives in Beirut

Sandra Frem, Lecturer, American University of Beirut; Founder at Platau|platform for architecture and urbanism

Slow urbanism in Ho Chi Minh city: experimenting the possibility of a metropolitan garden

Prof. Anne Jauréguiberry, Associate Professor, École Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture de Strasbourg (ENSAS)

Housing cooperatives in Kigali: what is there to show for?

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3A-1.3: The Politics of Urban Development

Chair: Dr Barbara Lipietz, Associate Professor, The Bartlett Development Planning Unit, UCL

Comparing London: what is 'normal' about developer interactions?

Dr Frances Brill, Research Fellow, The Bartlett School of Planning, UCL

An urbanized state in waiting: discourse, practice and territory in times of crisis

Dr Diego Garcia-Mejuto, Lecturer, Newcastle University

Unpacking the politics of city making in post-revolution Iran—the case of Tehran

Azadeh Mashayekhi, Teaching Fellow, The Bartlett Development Planning Unit, UCL

From Tahrir Square to New Cairo: The American University in Cairo's drawn out dreams of a suburban desert campus

Danya Al-Saleh, PhD candidate, University of Wisconsin-Madison

3A-2.4: Finance, Financialisation

Chair: Dr Aris Komporozos-Athanasίου, Lecturer in Social Theory and Social Policy, UCL

The financialised representation of space

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Pious developers: actually existing financialization of land in a neighborhood of Beirut

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Notes about the distribution of pension funds in the Brazilian territory: the prominence and influence in São Paulo, Rio de Janeiro and Brasília

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16.00—17.15 IAS ROOM 11

3A-2.5: High-Rise Lives

Chair: Dr Andrew Harris, Associate Professor, Department of Geography, UCL

Discussant: Dr Michał Murawski, Lecturer in Critical Area Studies, School of Slavonic and East European Studies, UCL

Urban verticality inside out: exploring the view in new vertical urban spaces in London

Sidra Ahmed, PhD candidate, Department of Geography, UCL

'Accommodation city': new urban developers and low-income housing construction in Mumbai and Dhaka

Shreyashi Dasgupta, PhD candidate, Centre of Development Studies, University of Cambridge

The making of [the new] resident: intersecting vertical living, affects and technology

Dr Mor Shilon, Postdoctoral Fellow, Technion—Israel Institute of Technology

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Understanding and assessing social capital in a restructured Chinese neighbourhood

Xin Li, PhD candidate, University of Cambridge

3A-2. Shaping the Future City
16.00—17.30 SOUTH WING GARWOOD LECTURE THEATRE

3B-1.3: Identities and Heritage

Co-chairs/discussants: Dr Clare Melhuish, Director, UCL Urban Laboratory; Co-convenor, Curating the City cluster, UCL Centre for Critical Heritage Studies
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The city as grounded theology: religion and the neoliberal project in urban space

Kamalika Banerjee, PhD candidate, National University of Singapore

Playing or being played? Tokyo 2020 Games volunteers and the new urban dramaturgy

Conor Moloney, PhD candidate, Queen Mary University

Hummus(ising) the homeland: crafting space through identity fetishism

Ahmed Alaqra, PhD candidate, Université Paris Diderot
Yasmin Huleileh, Co-founder, FANA

New mosque architecture in Dhaka: ethics, aesthetics and the religious imaginary

Priyanka Hutschenreiter, PhD candidate, SOAS University

3B-1.4: Insecurities and Violence

Chair: Dr Katherine Saunders-Hastings, Lecturer in Latin American Studies, UCL

'The art of not knowing and of not being known.' Urban violence, cumulative ignorance(s) and the right to opacity in the city of Cape Town

Dr Enora Robin, Research Associate, Urban Institute, The University of Sheffield

From Kingston to Brussels: exploring the sensory regimes of urban violence

Dr Alana Osbourne, Researcher, Royal Netherlands Institute for Southeast Asian and Caribbean Studies

Linking urban violence and climate change: an agenda from institutional political ecology

Dr Arabella Fraser, Nottingham Research Fellow, Faculty of Social Sciences, School of Geography, University of Nottingham

The causes and effects of energy injustices in Dhaka's slums

Mark L. G. Jones, PhD candidate, The Bartlett Development Planning Unit, UCL

3B-2.3: Co-Designing Urban Infrastructures

This session will showcase projects, methods and tools for co-designing infrastructure. Community partners will contribute their knowledge of the projects and experiences of co-design processes, and participants will be able to test software and physical design tools used during the workshops.

Prof. Sarah Bell, Professor of Environmental Engineering, The Bartlett School of Environment, Energy and Resources, UCL

Robin Brown, Just Space

Slaney Devlin, Chair, Somers Town Neighbourhood Forum

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Joanna Vignola, Kipling Estate Tenants and Residents Association

3B-2. Collaboration & Participation
16.00—17.30 GARDEN ROOM

3C-1.3: Smart Cities

Chair: Prof. Ayona Datta, Professor of Human Geography, UCL

The making of Singapore in Amaravati: the geographies of policy mobility, spatial politics, and ground realities of developing the smart capital

Dr Diganta Das, Assistant Professor, Humanities & Social Studies Education Department, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

When small goes smart: postcolonial urban futures in the Global South

Dr Srilata Sircar, Research Fellow, Department of Geography, UCL (paper co-authored with Prof. Ayona Datta and the ESRC-ICSSR team)

Remaking Anaklia: trial, error and reproduction in the making of a logistical frontier

Evelina Gambino, PhD candidate, Department of Geography, UCL (Paper co-authored with Tekla Aslanishvili)

Understanding participatory platforms through urban assemblages

Yu-Shan Tseng, PhD candidate, Durham University

3C-1. Infrastructures
16.00—17.30 26 BEDFORD WAY, ROOM 113

3C-2.3: Beyond Informality

Chair: Dr Catalina Ortiz, Associate Professor, The Bartlett Development Planning Unit, UCL

Discussant: Dr Tatiana Thieme, Associate Professor, UCL Geography

Towards more responsive urban governance: embracing informality in times of uncertainty

David Corbett, PhD candidate, Queensland University of Technology

Experiencing urban shrinkage in a declining historical neighbourhood: the role of social capital in inhabitants' trajectories and perceptions

Solène Le Borgne, PhD candidate, University of Amsterdam

Conceptualizing the 'spatial status' of Groups

Dr Yosef Jabareen, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Architecture and Town Planning, Technion—Israel Institute of Technology

Decolonial critique of Urban Theory in the Andean countries

Martin Mejia Tamariz, PhD candidate, Nottingham Trent University

Plenary 4: Before/After the Urban Frontier

Chairs: Dr Clare Melhuish, Director, UCL Urban Laboratory
Prof. Jennifer Robinson, Chair of Human Geography, UCL

In this session, panellists are invited to comment on the themes and insights which have emerged through the conference sessions, and to consider the lines of future debate and reflection which the contributions and debates across the conference have opened up. What kinds of ways forward are there for thinking the urban from its frontiers?

Prof. Vanessa Watson

Vanessa Watson is Professor of City Planning in the School of Architecture, Planning and Geomatics and founder member of the African Centre for Cities, University of Cape Town, South Africa. She holds a PhD from the University of Witwatersrand, and is a Fellow of the University of Cape Town. Her research and publications have been on southern perspectives on planning theory, African cities and urbanisation, urban food security, and currently on planning and corruption in Africa, also new economic forces re-shaping African cities, in particular private-sector driven property development initiatives. Watson is Global South Editor of *Urban Studies* and an editor of *Planning Theory*. Two recent books are: De Satge R and V Watson (2018): *Urban Planning in the Global South: Conflicting rationalities in contested urban space*, Palgrave; and G Bhan, S Srinivas and V Watson Eds (2018): *Routledge*

Companion to Planning in the Global South, Routledge.

Prof. AbdouMaliq Simone

AbdouMaliq Simone is an urbanist with an abiding interest in the spatial and social compositions of urban regions. He is a Senior Professorial Fellow at the Urban Institute at The University of Sheffield, a research associate at the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity, visiting professor of sociology at Goldsmiths College, University of London, visiting professor at the African Centre for Cities, University of Cape Town, research associate with the Rujak Center for Urban Studies in Jakarta, and research fellow at the University of Tarumanagara. He has a long background working in urban areas of Africa, South and Southeast Asia, with a particular interest in the everyday lives of Muslim working class residents.

Prof. Hyun Bang Shin

Hyun Bang Shin is Professor of Geography and Urban Studies in the Department of Geography and Environment at the London School of Economics and Political Science, and also Director of LSE Saw Swee Hock Southeast Asia Centre. His research centres on the critical analysis of the political economy of urbanisation with particular attention to cities in Asia. His research themes include the circulation of Asian urbanism and capital, speculative urbanisation, politics of displacement; planetary gentrification; urban social movements; mega-events as urban spectacles. His most recent books include *Neoliberal Urbanism, Contested Cities and Housing in Asia* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2019), *Planetary Gentrification* (Polity Press, 2016), and *Global Gentrifications: Uneven Development and Displacement* (Policy Press, 2015). Other forthcoming books include *The Political Economy of Mega Projects in Asia* (Routledge) and *Making China Urban* (Routledge).

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