Understanding City Dynamics
24.09. - 26.09.2010
Darmstadt (Germany)

International Conference of the European Urban Research Association (EURA)

General Information

'Understanding City Dynamics' is the topic of the next conference of the European Urban Research Association (EURA) organised in cooperation with the Urban Research Centre 'Eigenlogik der Städte' at the Technische Universität Darmstadt (Darmstadt University of Technology). The conference will be held in Darmstadt (Germany) from the 24th to the 26th of September 2010. The Urban Research Centre 'Eigenlogik der Städte' is financially supported by the LOEWE programme of the government of the German federal state of Hesse.

We extend a warm invitation to colleagues from Europe, North America and from across the world to join us in a conference examining city dynamics.

Core Questions

Do cities have choices in a globalised world?
Do local politics matter? How can we explain differences between cities?
Do we need a (new) theory of urbanism/urbanity to understand how modern societies function?

Call for Papers

The deadline for the submission of abstracts is March 31st 2010. Final versions of accepted papers should be submitted by August 30th 2010.

Venue

Technische Universität Darmstadt
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How to get further Information

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1 The intrinsic logic of the city  
Prof. Dr. Helmuth Berking  
Prof. Dr. Martina Löw
2 Metropolitan governance and the dynamics of city regions  
Dr. Karsten Zimmermann  
Prof. Dr. Daniel Kübler
3 City choices and strategic planning  
Prof. Alessandro Balducci, Ph.D.  
Prof. Dr. Pangiotis Getimis
4 Sustainability: Local meanings and strategies  
Prof. Dr. Dieter Schott  
Dr. Pieter-Jan Klok
5 How to achieve economic competitiveness and social cohesion?  
Prof. Dr. Michael Haus  
Dr. Jan Erling Klausen
6 Urban design and built environment  
Prof. Dr.-Ing. Annette Rudolph-Cleff  
Prof. Dr. Jens Dangschat

Key Note Speakers

1 Prof. Dr. Martina Löw  
Technische Universität Darmstadt, Germany  
The intrinsic logic of the city: Towards a new theory on urbanism
2 Prof. Dr. Roger Keil  
York University, Canada  
City choices in a 'glocalizing' world
3 Sara Höflich de Duque  
Project Manager, United Cities and Local Government  
How cities respond to globalization: A local government perspectives
4 Prof. Erik Swyngedouw Ph.D.  
Manchester University, Great Britain  
The politics of place in a globalised world
5 Alfonso Zardi  
Head of Department of Local and Regional Democracy and Good Governance, Council of Europe  
Challenges and Perspectives of Local Democracy

Agenda

Thursday, 23.9.2010  
19:00 Pre-Conference Reception by the Schader-Stiftung

Friday, 24.9.2010  
10:30 Opening Plenary Session  
13:30-18:30 Parallel Sessions (Tracks 1-6)  
20:45 Reception in Darmstadt City Hall

Saturday, 25.9.2010  
9:00-18:00 Parallel Sessions (Tracks 1-6)  
19:00 Conference Dinner

Sunday, 26.9.2010  
9:00-10:30 Parallel Sessions (Tracks 1-6)  
11:00 Closing Plenary Session  
13:30 Mobile Workshops