Day 1: Thursday, July 15th, 2021

7:00 – 7:30 am EDT / 1:00 – 1:30 pm CEST
Opening/Welcome

7:30 – 8:00 am EDT / 1:30 – 2:00 pm CEST
Virtual Berlin Presentation 1

8:00 – 8:45 am EDT / 2:00 – 2:45 pm CEST
Break

8:45 – 10:15 am EDT / 2:45 – 4:15 pm CEST
Plenary 1

*Law, Science, and Experimentalism in the City*
*Moderator: Nestor Davidson*

Elena DeNictolis – *Research-Based Innovation in Cities: City Science as an Empirically-Driven Approach to the Urban Policy Cycle*

Dhanay Cadillo Chandler and Christian Iaione – *The principle of sustainable innovation according to the EU 2021-2027 financial framework: cities as laboratories of experimentation. Challenges of IP and public law.*

Elisabetta Tati – *Social Services in European Cities: The Social Enterprise as a Useful Tool for a More Inclusive Urban Environment*

10:15 – 10:30 am EDT / 4:15 – 4:30 pm CEST
Break

10:30 am – 12:00 pm EDT / 4:30 – 6:00 pm CEST
Parallel Sessions – 1

*Parallel Session 1.1: AI and Automation in the City*
*Moderator: Isolde de Villiers*

Igor Powell & Fernanda Catao - *Cities and Facial Recognition: a threat to privacy*

Sofia Ranchordás - *Automating Vulnerability in Cities*

Emile Loza de Siles – *AI Governance Now: A Multipronged Legal Development Strategy*
Parallel Session 1.2: Narration, Language, and Framing
Moderator: Christopher White

Geeta Tewari – Defining Narrative Law

Dr. Steven Nelson & Dr. Rhonda Anthony – When Language Matters: Determining How States Conceptualize Urban Under Race to the Top Grant Applications and Every Student Succeeds Act Implementation Plans

Dr. Ashley Johnson & Dr. Steven Nelson – Stemming the School to Prison Pipeline

12:00 – 12:30 pm EDT / 6:00 – 6:30 p.m. CEST  Break

12:30 – 1:30 pm EDT / 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. CEST  Plenary 2

Corporate Co-Governance and Urban Innovation
Moderator: Prof. Dr. Rudolf Schäfer

Isolde de Villiers – Municipal Councils as Companies? A Critique of King IV

Marius Pieterse – Towards Rights-based Accountability for Corporate Co-governance in South African Cities

1:30 – 2:15 pm EDT / 7:30 – 8:15 pm CEST  AULS Meeting

2:15 pm EDT / 8:15 pm CEST  End of Conference Day 1
8:00 – 9:00 am CEST / 11:30am - 12:30 pm India

**Informality, Public Space and Urban Development**
**Moderator: Tarun Arora**

Mathew Idiculla – A Right to the City? Housing Rights and Urban Informality in India

9:00 – 9:15 am CEST / 12:30 – 12:45 pm Indonesia

Break

9:15am – 10:45am CEST / 12:45 - 2:15pm India / 2:15 – 3:45 pm Indonesia

**Parallel Session 2.1: Socio-Legal Recognition / Housing and Enforcement**
**Moderators: Fabian Thiel & Martin Meyer**

Margarita Vladimirova – Facial Recognition in Public Spaces: Resilience of Privacy and the Example of China (Australian Eastern Standard Time: 5:15 pm - 6:45 pm)

Yustina Trihoni Dewi, Jonathan Kwik, and Andreas Pandiangan – Empowerment of Civil Participation in the Context of Post-Conflict Urban Development Planning: A Case Study in Ambon (Indonesia Time 2:15pm - 3:45pm)

Sofia Ranchordás & Nadine Schawe – AirBnB: Closing the Enforcement Gap

**Parallel Session 2.2: Urban Development, Housing, and Local Empowerment**
**Moderator: Paulus van der Kuii**


Emmanuel Caliwan – “Empowered” Cities and their Local Government in Fight against the National Governments Corruption: The Case of the Philippines Local Government Units Saving Acts during the Covid Pandemic (Philippines Time Zone)

Nikhil Ravindra – Catalyzing Sustained Urban Development of Bengaluru through Social Entrepreneurship

4:45 – 5:00 am EDT / 10:45 – 11:00 am CEST

Break
5:00 - 5:20 am EDT / 11:00 – 11:20 am CEST  
**Poster Session 1**

Maria Christina Pangallozzi – *Cultural Heritage, Law and Technology in the City: The Role of Museums*

Alessio Sardo – *The Spatial Development Strategies for the City of London and the Fundamental Right to Habitation: An Inquiry into Law and Architecture*

5:20 – 6:50 am EDT / 11:20 am – 12:50 pm CEST  
**Plenary 4**

*Housing Politics, Activism, and Community in Berlin*

Moderator: Nestor Davidson

Papon Dev – *Statelessness and Refugee Dynamics in Berlin: Crisis or Strength*

Dr. Rudolf Schäfer – *Housing Politics and Legislation in Berlin*

Fabian Thiel – *Helmut Ridder - Urban Law, Berlin Housing Activists, and Constitutional Positivism*

6:50 – 7:15 am EDT / 12:50 – 1:15 pm CEST  
**Break**

7:15 – 8:45 am EDT / 1:15 – 2:45 pm CEST  
**Parallel Sessions 3**

**Parallel Session 3.1: Participation and Rights in the City**

Moderator: Fabian Thiel

Alceu Fernandes-Neto – *How are rights born? A socio-legal analysis of the recognition of Mercado Sul de Taguatinga, Brasília - Brazil, as a Special Area of Cultural Interest.* (Brasilia Time, 8:15am-9:45am)

Pablo Celhay & Diego Gil (presented by Gil) – *Property Rights and Market Behavior in the Low-Income Housing Sector: Evidence from Chile*

Pablo Aguilar - *Urban Binding Agreement for Latin America: Towards Equity, Inclusion and Urban Participation.*

**Parallel Session 3.2: Housing, Markets, and Community**

Moderator: Geeta Tewari

Rachelle Alterman & Yifflat Holzman-Gazit – *Invisible Affordable Housing: Attempts to Regularize Accessory Dwelling Units in Israel*

Tali Margalit, Yael Shmaryahu-Yeshurun & Shai Stern – *A Market within a Market: How a Hasidic Community Shapes the Urban Real-Estate Market*
8:45 – 9:00 am EDT / 2:45 – 3:00 pm CEST

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9:00 – 9:20 am EDT / 3:00 - 3:20 pm CEST

Poster Session 2

Ivan Mugabi – Legal challenges facing cities in the Global South: Would Uganda’s approach of enacting incriminating legislation (The Physical Planning Amendment Act No 2 of 2020) change problems of urban littering

Astrid Voorwinden – Regulating the Smart City in European Municipalities: A Case Study of Amsterdam

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Virtual Berlin Presentation 2

10:45 am – 11:45 am EDT / 4:45 pm – 5:45 pm CEST

Plenary 5

Cities, Rights, and International Development
Moderator: Nestor Davidson

Helmut Aust – International Human Rights Law in the Urban Age

Yishai Blank – The Legal Role of Cities in a (De)Globalizing World

11:45 – 12:00 pm EDT / 5:45 – 6:00 pm CEST

Break

12:00 – 1:30 pm EDT / 6:00 – 7:30 pm CEST

Parallel Sessions 4

Parallel Session 4.1: Local Politics, Home Rule, and Private Localism
Moderator: Marc Roark

Kenneth Stahl – The Meaning of Corruption in Local Politics

Darien Shanske – Proportionality and Home Rule

Manal Totry-Juban – Towards Regulating Private Localism
Parallel Session 4.2: Governance and the Built Environment
Moderator: Papon Dev

Eman Ateek – Governance & Urban Morphology

Rawan Khattab – The Impact of Mixed Land Use on Sustainability and the Built Environment

Dr. Hassan Elmoulihy & Muhammad Martini – Heritage Areas and Urban Development of the City – Laws and Reality

Parallel Session 4.3: Blight, Degradation, and Property Rights
Moderator: Christopher White

Amy Laura Cahn & Paula Segal - Blight is Out: New Tools and Terms for Redistribution

Chiara Feliziani – How to Deal with Urban Degradation? Suggestions from the Italian Experience

Giacomo Pailli & Alessandro Simoni – Regulating urban public space in Italian cities

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End of Conference Day 2
7:30 – 8:00 am EDT / 1:30 – 2:00 pm CEST  
**Poster Session 3**

Daniel Friedenzohn – *Drone Policy in Cities: How Urban Governments Attempt to Regulate a Transformative Technology*

Ana Solis – *CPTPP-SPS Governance: Towards a Proper Architecture for Sustainable Urban Development*

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**Break**

8:15 – 9:45 am EDT / 2:15 – 3:45 pm CEST  
**Parallel Sessions 5**

**Parallel Session 5.1: Technology and the Urban Environment**  
Moderator: Diego Gil

Tarun Arora - *Legal Remedies against Pharmaceuticals in Urban Environment in Punjab*

Helen Carr & Rebecca Tunstall - *District Heating Systems and Urban Law: The Example of London*

**Parallel Session 5.2: Autonomous Vehicles and Urban Space**  
Moderator: Tyler Holmes


Tracy Pearl - *Hands Off the Wheel: How Autonomous Vehicles Will Shape Law in Urban Areas*

**Parallel Session 5.3: Urban Perspectives from Egypt**  
Moderator: Dr. Anas Alhowaily

Ahmed Al Awahl & Omar Aboutaleb – *Urban Cycling Laws in Egypt*

Samar Adel & Hisham Gabr – *Promoting the migration governance policies to stimulate inclusive socio-economic integration for foreigners’ migrants in Egypt*

Iman Hegazy – *Between Fear and Recognition of New Traditions: The Case of the Syrian refugees’ settlements in Egypt*
Shubho Roy – A Novel Explanation for Slums

Parallel Session 6.1: Work and Urban Precarity
Moderator: Marc Roark

Tyler Holmes – Law and Law Enforcement’s Impact on Malawi’s Informal Urban Workforce

Valentina Montoya-Robledo – Overlooked Mobility: Time, Finances, and Violence in the Commuting Experiences of Domestic Workers in Bogotá, Medellín, and Sao Paulo

Parallel Session 6.2: Planning and Zoning
Moderator: Prof. Dr. Rudolf Schäfer

Roderick Hills & Shitong Qiao – A Plan for Hong Kong

John Infranca – Killing Single-Family Zoning

Badrinath Rao – Land, Law, and the Logic of Neoliberal Development

Parallel Session 6.3: Local Income Tax and Residency
Moderator: Martin Meyer

Erin Scharff & Darien Shanske – Revisiting Local Income Tax

Patrik Emblad – Residency in Transition

Evaldas Klimas – Sustainable Development and Urban Planning Regulations For Climate Change Management Measures, Lithuanian Case

Alberto Nicotina – A Procedural Idea of Environmental Democracy: the “Débat Public” Paradigm within the EU Framework

Alex Pearl – Urban Warfare: A New Approach to Climate Litigation

Evaluations and Questions

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