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Regenerating urbanity

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The Track investigates the different dimensions of urban regeneration processes in European cities and territories as possible responses to the contemporary urban settlements' fragilization. In particular, the Track is concerned with how cities are (or are not) coping with the need to renew their material infrastructures and facilities and to reactivate functions and services in front of the challenges posed by climate, environmental, social, and economic changes. "Regenerating urbanity" can have broad and multiple meanings. They can change and have different impacts according to several aspects: the contexts where the regeneration processes are located (large cities, medium or small urban centres); the historical and morphological characteristics (dense cities, recent urban sprawl); or the economic and social features of the places where they develop. Despite the eventual context differences, through a critical illustration of multiple cases, the session aims at reflecting upon the different regeneration forms and tools, their possible innovation (how to regenerate), the objects of regeneration (what to regenerate), the actors and governance network involved (who regenerates). It will also discuss the idea of urbanity the urban regeneration conveys and the limits and risks that may arise with the expected or unexpected outcomes.

The contributors to the Track will discuss four main aspects of the "Regenerating urbanity" especially needed to de-fragilize cities. Some contributors will reflect upon the tools and approaches to address or orient the regeneration with particular attention to digital tools, innovative bids, forms of regulation or guidelines. An additional stream of reflections will deal with the involved actors' networks, the conditions of governance and leadership and, more in general, the social innovation that some regeneration experiences can bring. A focus will concern the topic of public space, intended as one of the central cores of urban life: contributions will reflect both on the role of regenerating public space as placemaking tools and on the regeneration processes' effects on public space. A last group of contributors will illustrate and reflect the role of specific policies and projects in enhancing processes of urbanity regeneration, paying attention to limits and risks emerging from the renewal itself. Eventually, the Track will reflect on innovative theoretical contributions, practical approaches and tools emerging from recent regeneration experiences by asking whether they contribute to reframing and redefining urban regeneration.

SESSION 1

Tools and approaches for regenerating urbanity

Chairs: **Antonella Bruzzese, Marco Peverini**

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FRIDAY 17/6 _ 09.00 - 11.00
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Helene Dang Vu

Reinventing cities: a new urban regeneration process in circulation?

Laura Pogliani

Drivers of innovation in Milan Reinventing Cities competitions

Mike Raco, Sonia Freire Trigo

In the shadow of the market: liquid regulation and the governance of social housing in England

Igal Charney, Gillad Rosen

The emergence of a Build-to-Rent housing market in Israel: The role of regulation

Francesco Alaniz

The struggles for densification in a sprawling city

SESSION 4

Social innovation and sustainability for urban regeneration

Chair: **Anna Moro**

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Hannah Saldert

Social sustainability for whom? The role of discursive boundary objects in regeneration projects

Maja Nilssen

Strengthening local government's role in urban redevelopment role by collaboration and innovation

Nadia Caruso, Elena Camilla Pede

Swinging Turin: between innovative impulses and local crisis dynamics

Carla Tedesco, Raffaella Freschi

Mobile urbanism and social innovation practices

SESSION 2

Pre-organised Panel: Digital tools

Chairs: **Silvia Gullino, Cristina Cerulli, Antonella Radicchi**

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Cristina Cerulli

Pledges, Increments and Incentives: digitally enabled spatial activism and policy support

Antonella Radicchi

Benefits and limits of leveraging citizen science mobile applications in urban planning

Silvia Gullino, Carolina Pacchi

Exploring digital and physical community making: Italian Social Streets in pandemic times

Daphna Levine

Responding to regenerating urbanity with a multi-dimensional (2D, 3D and 4D) toolbox

SESSION 5

Regenerating public space

Chair: **Antonella Bruzzese**

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Jo Zhou

How has the regeneration project impacted the residents' mental health and wellbeing

Beatrice Galimberti

Regeneration is not a straight line. Antifragility and prototypes in the process of Jubileumsparken

Aleksandra Stupar, Nebojsa Camprag, Jelena Ivanovic Vojvodic

(Re)Creating sustainable public space: an insight into inclusive approaches to placemaking

Fabio Lepratto, Laura Montedoro

Between plans and projects. Intermediate tools for qualitative public space regeneration

Sarah Karic

Introducing a framework of German state garden shows for event-led urban regeneration

Valentina Rossella Zucca

KEEP (OFF) THE GRASS!

SESSION 3

The role of public actors in regeneration processes

Chairs: **Antonella Bruzzese, Anna Moro**

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FRIDAY 17/6 _ 14.00 - 16.00
ROOM ROGERS

Federica Rotondo, Constanze Wolfgring

Public housing in urban regeneration processes: policies, actors and spaces. The case of Bologna

Robin A. Chang, Sara Caramaschi, Alejandra G. Castro-Giron

Leadership trajectories: a collectively oriented re-framing for temporary urbanism

Tuomas Ilmavirta

Analysing planning of urbanity in the regeneration of Fish Harbour, Helsinki

Jurga Bucaite Yilke

Bottom-up approach and local welfare: policy tools for spatial inequality

Stephen Hall, Steven Griggs, Ian Smith

Levelling up versus the new municipalism in a place that doesn't matter

SESSION 6

The challenge of specific projects and policies in improving regeneration processes

Chair: **Sonia De Gregorio Hurtado**

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Gianfranco Orsenigo

No-man's land prison. which opportunity for the city and the punishment

Luca Lazzarini, Marco Mareggi

The CHC Atlas: typologies of Community Health Centers and their potential for urban regeneration

Michele Ugolini, Stefania Varvaro

The CHC Atlas: regenerative sequences of places for the community

Filipe Teles

Urban Innovations and the need for creativity-based policies

João Igreja

Urban regeneration in Porto: exploring the role of the EU urban policies in Bairro da Se

Heidi Bergsli

Small city regeneration in Northern Norway

Sonia De Gregorio Hurtado

Adaptation to climate change as a field of innovation in urban regeneration in Europe

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NO-MAN'S LAND PRISON. WHICH OPPORTUNITY FOR THE CITY AND THE PUNISHMENT

Keywords:

no man's land, prison, networking

The prison is a social emergency in Italy as proved by the sentences of the European Court, by Antigone's surveys and last by the Minister of Justice: "Prisons are a priority for the government". The ongoing debate rarely leads to concrete action. If it is strong the reference to the society's contribution, the proposals are often confined to the internal spaces with a functionalist glance. A vision that reiterates the contradiction between the two missions: custody and reintegration. The functionalist vision guided the construction of the modern prison, determining its marginalization. Even today, when the city reached the penitentiaries, in the surroundings is perceivable a "suspension of urbanity" (Infussi 2020) that reinforces the stigma of these places. This no man's land, between the city and the prison, is rich in potential if it is observed with the lens of the project. This suspended place could "become the space for a new creativity [employed to] transform the city that has rejected it" (Michelucci 1996). The penitentiary, placing itself in dialogue with the actors that operate in the surrounding area and bringing into play its own resources - spatial and skills - can be an added value to urban regeneration processes that increasingly characterize these parts of the city. From the involvement, the prison could get benefit in terms of space quality and operative support in its service role for the reintegration into society of those who have committed a crime. This is a road not followed in Italy. The proposal aims to open a debate that explores the real possibilities of action. Some clues of possible functionality and criticalities will be proposed through the experience in multidisciplinary research on the prison theme (particularly in Milan), the study of some European experiences, and the critical analysis of national and European policies ongoing.

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