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Commission 'Geography of Governance'



Annual Conference
LOCAL GOVERNANCE IN THE NEW URBAN AGENDA

19 - 21 October 2017

Department of Cultural Heritage - University of
Salento
Lecce - Italy

Call for Papers

The 2017 Annual Conference of the IGU Commission on 'Geography of Governance' (IGU-GoG), organized in collaboration with the Department of Cultural Heritage - University of Salento, will be held in Lecce, Italy, 19 - 21 October 2017.

The Conference aims to explore and to discuss the changes, challenges and opportunities confronting Local Governance in the context of the new urban paradigm associated with the HABITAT III New Urban Agenda, a 20-year strategy for sustainable urbanization, adopted in October 2016 in Quito, Ecuador.

Considering the commitments for action associated with this new urban paradigm, the Conference aims to address, but is not limited to, the following issues:

- (a) The role of local government in the definition and implementation of more inclusive, transparent, accountable, effective and transformational local policies for sustainable and resilient urban development.
- (b) Sustainable, people-centred, long-term, and integrated approaches to urban development.
- (c) New ways to plan, finance, govern, and manage cities and other non-urban / rural settlements.
- (d) Multi-stakeholder, multi-level institutional cooperation among all tiers of government. National urban policies and the changing role of sub-national government in urban development.
- (e) The roles of cities/city-regions within transnational / national planning and governance schemes.
- (f) Policy transfer across local and city-regional entities.
- (g) Global urban policy principles and local governance practices: correspondence and disjuncture.
- (h) Alternative visions and alternative models for local governance.
- (i) Climate change and the challenges for local governance.
- (j) The governance of smart, green and integrated urban transport.
- (l) Indicators for the governance of local sustainable development.

We welcome proposals for papers on any of these issues, from different theoretical perspectives and methodological approaches. The Conference will be an opportunity for inter-disciplinary discussions on a broad spectrum of innovative research within the field of the Geography of Local Governance.

PARTICIPATION IN THE CONFERENCE & SELECTION CRITERIA

- Participants in the conference are expected to present a paper. For participation without a paper, please contact us before the registration period.
- The conference is organized in panels according to topics and issues.
- All submissions will be reviewed by the Scientific Committee for content and appropriateness to this conference.
- The working language of the conference will be English. Translation services will not be provided.

ABSTRACTS

- All colleagues interested in participating in the conference are invited to submit, by e-mail, an abstract with approx. 250 words, by no later than 30 June 2017, to the Conference Convenors.
- The abstract form is available for download in the conference website.
- E-mail: igu.geogov@gmail.com
- If necessary, contact us to discuss any ideas that you might have for a paper on the proposed themes and issues or on other related topics.
- Successful applicants will be informed by 31 July 2017.

PUBLICATION

- It is expected that a selection of conference papers will be published.
- The selected manuscripts will be double-blind peer-reviewed.
- More information about publication will be given during the conference.

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT

- Registration & Payment Period: 1 - 20 September 2017
- Conference fee: 100 Euros (includes participation in the conference, program and abstracts in digital format & coffee-breaks).
- Payment is made to the Department of Cultural Heritage, University of Salento, Italy.
- More information on registration will be available in the Conference website after 15 July 2017.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Submission deadline for abstracts: 30 June 2017
- Notification of abstract acceptance: 31 July 2017
- Registration and payment: 1 - 20 September 2017
- PowerPoint Presentation (PowerPoint file): during the conference
- Full paper for publication: date to be announced during the conference

CONFERENCE CONVENORS

- Anna Trono
Local Organization Committee, Chair
- Carlos Nunes Silva
IGU Commission Geography of Governance, Chair

CONFERENCE VENUE

- University of Salento, Lecce, Italy

CONFERENCE e-MAIL & WEBSITE

- Conference e-mail (IGU Commission e-mail): igu.geogov@gmail.com
- Conference website: <https://sites.google.com/site/geogov2017conference/>

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