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1. INTRODUCTION

During the period reported in the Newsletter 2/2019, July-December 2019, the Commission developed the activities established in its action plan for 2019 and has been active in the planning and programming of its activities for 2020 and beyond, including its participation in the IGU Thematic Conference on "Heritage Geographies: Politics, Uses and Governance of the Past", in Lecce, Italy, in May-June 2020, and in the 34th International Geographical Congress "Geography: bridging the continents", in Istanbul, Turkey, in August 2020.

The 2019 Annual Conference, held in the University of Cape Verde, in Cidade da Praia, in September 4 - 7, was the main activity of the Commission in the second semester of 2019. It marked the 35th anniversary of the establishment of the IGU Study Group in 1984, prior to the full establishment of the Commission in 1988. The Commission held four sessions in the AAG 2019 Annual Meeting in Washington, in April 2019, organized the Workshop on "New Challenges of Decentralisation" in May 2019, in Pécs, Hungary, and was associated with the 4th International Conference on Urban e-Planning that took place in April 2019, in Lisbon, Portugal. Members of the Commission were also engaged in the organization of other conferences or sessions in larger meetings as listed in section 4 of this Newsletter.

The proposal for an IGU Thematic Conference in 2021, in Mexico, on "Urban Governance: from Historical to Resilient Cities", jointly prepared and proposed by 6 IGU commissions (C16.37: Commission on Urban Geography 'Urban challenges in a global world'; C16.12: Commission on Geography of Governance; C16.14: Commission on Geography of Tourism, Leisure, and Global Change; C16.15: Commission on Geo-Heritage; C16.27: Commission on Latin American Studies; C16.33: Commission on Population Geography) was concluded during this semester and submitted to the IGU Executive.

The online communication tools, intended to support the work of the Commission - the website, the electronic mailing list and the blog - have been used regularly for the dissemination of information. The digital online archive of past activities and publications continued to be updated. The directory of corresponding members has been enriched with new members. Recent publications by members of the Steering Committee, related to the core subject of the Commission, are listed below.

In sum, with these activities, we aim to continue enhancing the current debates on local and urban governance and to strengthen the Commission as a truly global community of researchers. The Commission will consider and discuss proposals for



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possible collaboration and will continue its efforts to expand its activities to other regions of the world, alone or in collaboration with other IGU Commissions as well as organisations outside the IGU. In this context, the Commission will explore the possibility to hold future meetings in Africa, Asia, Middle East and Oceania. We continue strongly committed to maintain our successful publishing activity. The Springer book series on 'Local and Urban Governance', founded and edited by Carlos Nunes Silva, will have its first books published in 2020, including volumes published by members of the Commission.

The IGU Commission 'Geography of Governance' publishes two Newsletters every year, the first in June and the second in December. Newsletter 1/2019 reported the activities developed during the first semester (January-June 2019) and presented the activity plan for the following months. This second Newsletter (July-December 2019) reports the activity in the second semester and presents the consolidated report of all activities developed during 2019 and the updated activity plan for the following annual period.



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2. STEERING COMMITTEE, AIMS, THEMES: 2016-2020

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2.2 Aims

1. To advance knowledge of the geography of territorial governance, at the urban, local and regional levels, namely the conditions, scale and characteristics of new modes of territorial governance, and its social, cultural, political, economic and environmental consequences.
2. To identify new perspectives and to explore new research methodologies and different geographical approaches in the field of urban, local and regional governance.

3. To provide a platform for the exchange of information, research outcomes, and best practices among its members.
4. To enhance current bilateral and multilateral research cooperation among its members and to support the creation of new research networks in the field of urban, local and regional governance, connecting its members with existing international research programs and organizations, increasing interdisciplinary research collaboration across disciplines.
5. To support and promote the publication and dissemination of scholarly research outcomes of its members, in peer-reviewed international journals and in books.
6. To advance educational activities through workshops focused on urban, local and regional governance issues, contributing to the training of the next generation of scientists in this field.
7. To increase the awareness of urban, local and regional governance issues among citizens, local communities and governments.
8. To develop initiatives focused on specific issues in cooperation with members of other IGU Commissions sharing similar or related interests.

2.3 Themes

The Commission aims to explore, but is not limited to, the following themes:

1. Administrative decentralization and multi-layered governance
2. Local and regional government / governance
3. Urban and metropolitan governance
4. Local and regional government reforms
5. Administrative fragmentation and merger reforms
6. Decentralized cooperation and development
7. Inter-municipal cooperation
8. Cross-border municipal and regional cooperation
9. Governance of spatial planning processes
10. Governance of complex environmental systems
11. Governance in conflict and post-conflict areas
12. Citizen participation in local and regional government
13. Age-, disabled- and gender-responsive approaches in urban, local and regional government policies
14. Administrative systems and local public service delivery
15. Local government finance systems
16. Local Government, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and the Habitat-III New Urban Agenda
17. Anthropocene: changes and challenges for urban, local and regional governance

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18. The use of ICTs in urban, local and regional governance: e-Government, e-Governance and Citizen e-Participation
19. Transparency, accountability and good governance in local and regional government
20. Big Data and new digital research methods in urban governance

3. ORGANIZATION AND ACTIVITIES

During the period reported in the Newsletter 1/2019 the following activities have been developed:

- 3.1 Online communication tools
- 3.2 Digital Archive
- 3.3 Activity Plan 2020-2022
- 3.4 Membership
- 3.5 Organization of Conferences and other Meetings
- 3.6 Publications

3.1 Online communication tools. During the second semester of 2019 the online communication tools (website; electronic forum and mailing-list; blog) were updated and/or used for the dissemination of information.

- The IGU-CGoG Website: <https://sites.google.com/site/igugeogov/home>
- Mailing list: <https://sites.google.com/site/igugeogov/mailling-list>
- Blog: <http://igugeogov.blogspot.pt/>

3.2 Digital Archive. The Digital Archive of the Commission has currently five sessions and is available online (<https://sites.google.com/site/igugeogov/archive>). At the end of 2018 the Commission sent to the IGU Central Archive, located in the Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography, Germany, 16 documents related to its activities in 2018. The same will happen at the end of 2019.

3.3 Activity Plan 2020-2022. The activity plan for the period 2020-2022 includes a variety of initiatives (e.g., Commission meetings; sessions organized by the Commission in the IGU main meetings, as is the case of the IGU Thematic Conference in Lecce, Italy, in May-June 2020; or the sessions in the 34th IGC in Istanbul, in August 2020; publications, and tentatively also joint research activities).

3.4 Membership. The list of corresponding members has been updated and expanded with the inclusion of members admitted during 2019.

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3.5 Organization of Conferences and other Meetings. As reported in the following sections of this Newsletter, members of the Steering Committee have been active, during 2019, in the organization of scientific meetings focused on themes pertaining to the core subject of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance, as well in the planning of other meetings in the following years.

3.6 Publications. Members of the Steering Committee published books, chapters, articles, and book reviews on issues related to the core subject of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance. The consolidated list of recent publications is available below.

4. CONFERENCES IN 2019

4.1 AAG 2019 Annual Meeting, in Washington, DC, USA, 3-7 April 2019. Eran Razin (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel, and member of the IGU-CCoG Steering Committee) and Carlos Nunes Silva (University of Lisbon, Portugal, and Chair of the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance) proposed and organized four sessions sponsored by the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance at the AAG 2019 Annual Meeting, in Washington, DC, USA, 3-7 April 2019. The overall theme of the four sessions was "*Local Governance and New Challenges in Urban Policy in a Changing World*". Local government and urban governance networks are of prime significance for the quality of life in human settlements, urban policies and patterns of spatial change. Hence, the study of aspects of local governance, such as territorial reforms, changing hierarchies and networks, local finance, intra- and inter-sectoral partnerships, local leadership, urban politics and citizen participation, is perpetual since the late 19th century. Nevertheless, the 21st century presents diverse new challenges, including reaction to climate change and environmental sustainability, adaptation to immigration and diversity, application of new "smart city" technologies in local management, and political-ideological transformation, such as the predominance of neo-liberalism and the rise of neo-populism. And since the International Geographical Union Commission on Geography of Governance (IGU-CCoG) aims to advance knowledge of the geography of territorial governance, at the urban, local and regional levels, namely the conditions, scale and characteristics of new modes of territorial governance, and its social, cultural, political, economic and environmental consequences, and as it also aims to identify new perspectives and to explore new research methodologies and different geographical approaches in the field of urban, local and regional governance, these four sessions dealt with various aspects of local government reform and governance transformations, and their spatial, social, economic and environmental

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implications, particularly those concerned with the new challenges of the 21st century. The scope of the four sessions was international, including comparative research. The full program of our sessions is reproduced in Annex 8.2 of this Newsletter.

More information is available in the AAG Annual Meeting website:
<https://aag.secure-abstracts.com/am2019>

4.2 IV International Conference 'Urban e-Planning', Lisbon, Portugal, 23-24 April 2019

The 4th International Conference 'Urban e-Planning', convened by Carlos Nunes Silva (Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon, Portugal, and chair of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance), was organized by the 'International Journal of E-Planning Research' and by the Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon, and was held in Lisbon, Portugal, on April 23 - 24 2019. The Conference was endorsed by the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance. The program included themes pertaining to the core subject of the IGU-CGoG. The conference was also an opportunity for the recruitment of new members for the Commission. The full conference report has been published in the International Journal of E-Planning Research, Vol. 8 (4), 2019. More information (program, abstracts, PowerPoint presentations, etc.) is available in the conference website: <https://sites.google.com/view/uep2019-conference/home>

4.3 Workshop on "New challenges of Decentralisation", Pécs, Hungary, 9-10 May 2019

Ilona Pálné Kovács (Institute for Regional Studies, Centre for Economic and Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary, and member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee) convened and organized a Workshop on the theme "New challenges of Decentralisation", in Pécs, Hungary, on 9-10 May 2019. Decentralisation has been one of the buzzwords in the neoliberal good governance public policy literature in the last decades. After the main decentralisation trend in the western democracies, in the seventies, the developing and transition countries worldwide were advised to devolve most of the competences in public service delivery and in local economic development. The main argument was the fact that the decentralised democratic, participative way of managing local affairs could improve both accessibility and quality of public services and provide at the same

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time more transparency and legitimacy. Many territorial reforms have been implemented under the umbrella of principle of subsidiarity and decentralisation, supported and sponsored by the EU (cohesion funds) and other international organisations (OECD, World Bank, UN), referring especially the regional competitiveness and the achievement of the Millennium Goals. Not only the financial crisis in 2008 but also many negative experiences and even failed reforms so far contributed to the scepticism concerning decentralisation and rescaling. Thus, centralisation attempts emerged realizing that decentralisation has crucial preconditions and that for the overall governance, the political, economic, cultural-social and territorial contexts matter. The aim of the workshop was to discuss the experience of these recent territorial reforms. The workshop comprised several parallel panels. The full program is reproduced in Annex 8.3 of this Newsletter. The organization of the Workshop and the Commission plan to publish a selection of the papers presented.

More information is available in the Workshop website:

<https://sites.google.com/view/igu-cgog-workshop-pecs2019/home>

4.4 Conference 'Metropolitan areas - research perspectives', Poznań, Poland, 27 June 2019

In June 27, 2019, at the Collegium Geographicum in Poznań, a scientific conference was held under the name: “Obszary metropolitalne – perspektywy badawcze” (“Metropolitan areas - research perspectives”). Organized by the Center for Metropolitan Research and the Institute of Socio-Economic Geography and Spatial Management of the University of Adam Mickiewicz in Poznań - on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the Center for Metropolitan Research. The premise of the conference was to create a space for substantive discussion about the organization and problems of metropolitan areas as well as challenges and directions of their development. The participants presented the scope and methods of research on metropolitan areas from various scientific perspectives: geographic, political, legal and administrative, management sciences and others, and presented the applications of research results in the practice of planning and metropolitan management. A special session was devoted to the Metropolis of Upper Silesia and Zagłębie. From 2018, it is the first Polish metropolis de iure, with its own sources of income and tasks of public administration. For those interested, more (in Polish): <http://cbm.amu.edu.pl/konferencja-i-jubileusz-centrum-badan-metropolitalnych-uam/#more-1389>

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4.5 Conference 'Global Issues and Challenges for Accessibility and Sustainable Tourism', Lecce, Italy, March 1-2, 2019

Anna Trono (The University of Salento, Italy, and member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee) in collaboration with University of Eastern Piedmont Novara (Italy), Leeds Beckett University (UK) and University College Dublin (Ireland) organized the International Conference on: the 4th Annual International Conference "Global Issues and Challenges for Accessibility and Sustainable Tourism", held in Lecce (Italy) on March 1-2, 2019 (<http://www.gmperspectives.com/>). The conference focused on a broad range of topics related to Accessibility and Sustainable Tourism such as:

- Global Issues on Sustainable Tourism
- Practices and Benefits of Sustainable Tourism
- Accessible Tourism: Concepts and Issues
- Services and Facilities for Accessible Tourism
- Categorisation and Components of Accessibility Instruments
- Accessibility instruments and public transport services or to local facilities
- A new vision of Transport for Economic Development and Cohesion in EU
- Accessibility, mobility and transport-related social exclusion

4.6 Conference 'Between Overtourism and Undertourism: Implications and Crisis Management Strategies', Lecce, Italy, June 26-29, 2019

Anna Trono (University of Salento, Italy, and member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee) organized in collaboration with the University of Haifa (Israel), the Ludwig-Maximilians-University/Munich (Germany) and Puglia Region the International Conference on: "Between Overtourism and Undertourism: Implications and Crisis Management Strategies", held in Lecce (Italy) on June 26-29, 2019 (<http://www.overandundertourism.com>). The purpose of this Conference was to bring together researchers from around the world and to provide a platform for academics, professionals, policy makers, researchers and doctoral students in presenting and discussing the impact of overtourism and undertourism on the tourists' quality of experience.

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4.7 IGU Commission Geography of Governance - 2019 Annual International Conference - 'Local and Urban Governance. Trends, Challenges and Innovations in a Globalizing World', University of Cape Verde, Cidade da Praia, Cape Verde, 4 - 7 September 2019

The 2019 Annual International Conference of the International Geographical Union (IGU) Commission on Geography of Governance, '*Local and Urban Governance. Trends, Challenges and Innovations in a Globalizing World*', organized in collaboration with the University of Cape Verde, was held in Cidade da Praia, Cape Verde, from 4 to 7 September 2019. The Conference marked the 35th anniversary of the establishment of this IGU Commission as an IGU Study Group in 1984. It was the first Annual Conference of the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance in Africa in its 35 years of existence. The Conference explored and discussed the changes, challenges, and innovations confronting Local and Urban Governance worldwide in the context of the new global urban agendas. It was a forum for the discussion of the state-of-the-art of research on local and urban governance, in the different regions of the world, and provided the opportunity for comparisons between African municipalities and African cities as well as comparisons with those in other regions of the world, in particular in the Global South. Overall, these aims of the conference were fully achieved. The conference was convened by Carlos Nunes Silva (Chair of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance & University of Lisbon, Portugal) and by José Maria Semedo (University of Cape Verde). The Local Organization Commission was constituted by five colleagues, professors in the University of Cape Verde: José Maria Semedo (Chair of the Local Organization Commission), Sílvia Monteiro, Lourenço Gomes, Romualdo Correia, and Vera Alfama. Paper abstracts were reviewed for relevance and appropriateness to the conference by an international scientific committee with 21 members. Participants or delegates came from 25 countries, in Europe, Africa (North and sub-Saharan), America (North and South), a number of countries similar to previous conferences. The Conference brought together researchers, students and planners from academia and from other sectors. Participants in the conference work in the broad area of Urban, Local and Regional Studies, Geography, Economy, Political Science, History, other Social Sciences, Arts and Humanities.

The Conference was structured on two main tracks: Track 1 - Local and Urban Governance and the New Global Urban Agendas; and Track 2 - Local and Urban Governance in Africa. The first track - Local and Urban Governance and the New Global Urban Agendas - addressed and discussed new trends, innovations, and future challenges in the field of local and urban governance, independently of the

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world region or continent. This track comprised 55% of the papers presented. The second track - Local and Urban Governance in Africa - addressed and discussed specific governance issues in the African context, with emphasis given to the history of local and urban governance in the continent, as well as to the possibility to learn from the African experience in the field of territorial governance. This second track explored local and urban conditions and processes in Africa and their implications for territorial governance and provided the opportunity for comparisons between African cities but also with other cities in the Global South. The conference was organized in 15 sessions, 1 plenary and 14 parallel panels, which are numbers similar to previous annual conferences. The program included three study visits, the first in the historical centre of Cidade da Praia, the second in the informal urban areas in the capital city, and the third a visit to Cidade Velha, the old capital city, and in the last day a post-conference excursion in the island of Santiago, all guided by the colleagues of the Local Organization Commission.

The Opening session included a brief introduction to the conference and to the 35 years of the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance. The Plenary session that followed the formal opening of the conference included two papers, one by Bryan H. Massam (Department of Geography, York University, Toronto, Canada) on 'Local and Urban Governance: How to Accommodate the Presence of Strangers?' and the other by Verna Nel (Department of Urban and Regional Planning, University of the Free State, South Africa) on 'Decolonising Land Use Management in South Africa'. The following 14 parallel panels addressed different issues that can be grouped in two main thematic areas: the first, governance challenges confronting local governments in different regions of the world - Europe, North and South America, Middle-East, and Asia -, which have been addressed mainly in panels 1, 5, 7, 9, 11, and 13; the second, past and present local and urban governance issues in Africa, which have been addressed mainly in panels 2, 6, 8, 10, 12, and 14. Other issues, such as smart governance, e-planning or the governance of tourism or protected areas were addressed in more focused panels, namely in panels 3 and 4. Issues of local and urban governance in Cape Verde, the hosting country, were addressed in several papers. These papers offered a well informed overview of these governance issues, namely issues of local government organization in the country, the national spatial planning system, the cadastral information system in the country, the urban history of the capital city, climate change issues, recreational activities, and cultural heritage.

Important for the success of the conference was the excellent work done by the Local Organization Commission, Conference Scientific Committee, chairs and discussants of the fifteen sessions, and by the speakers. A special word for the

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institutional support provided by the Rector of the University of Cape Verde (UNICV), the Dean of the Faculty of Sciences and Technology of the University of Cape Verde, and the Dean of the School of Business and Administration of the same University. Important was also the work done by the Administrative and Financial Department of UNICV, the Department of Communication of UNICV, the Technical and IT Department of UNICV, and by the group of students that collaborate in the organization during the 4 days of the Conference.

The Conference was an excellent opportunity for informal networking, for researchers to meet and to discuss research initiatives for 2020. Among others, the plans for future meetings organized by the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance, which include the sessions proposed for the IGU Thematic Conference to be held in Italy, on May-June 2020, the sessions proposed for the 34th International Geographical Congress to be held in Istanbul, on August 2020, and the collaboration with the organization of the 5th International Conference on Urban e-Planning to be held in Lisbon, Portugal, on April 2020. A selection of the conference papers will be published.

Additional information (program, abstracts, presentations, photo gallery, etc.) is available in the Conference website:

<https://sites.google.com/view/geogov2019/home>

4.8 International Conference on "A New World. Emperor Charles V and the beginnings of globalization", organized by the Department of Cultural Heritage of the University of Salento in collaboration with Municipality of Lecce, 4-5 November, 2019.

Anna Trono (The University of Salento, Italy, and member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee) was engaged in the organization of the International Conference on "A New World. Emperor Charles V and the beginnings of globalization", organized by the Department of Cultural Heritage of the University of Salento in collaboration with Municipality of Lecce (4-5 November, 2019) The conference promoted the Certified "Cultural Route of the Council of Europe" in 2015, in Puglia for sustainable development of the region.

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4.9 2nd International Scientific Conference «Urbanization and Regional Development in Russia and Europe», Moscow, November 21–22, 2019.

Olga Glezer (Institute of Geography, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, and Steering Committee member) was engaged in the organization of this conference, co-organized by the Institute of Geography of the Russian Academy of Sciences; Peoples' Friendship University of Russia; Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography (Leibniz Institut für Länderkunde), Leipzig, Germany; Belarusian State University (Minsk, Belarus); and the Association of Russian Social Geographers (ARGO). The aim of the conference was to discuss the relationships between urbanization and regional development in Russia and Western, Central and Eastern Europe. The main attention was paid to the key factors, driving forces and trends of regional development, as well as the processes of socio-economic transformation of urban spaces and urbanized areas in Russia and Europe. The conference was attended by more than 100 researchers from Russia, Germany, Poland, Slovakia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Italy, Croatia, Belarus, Azerbaijan (website: <http://www.igras.ru/2261>).

5. FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES: 2020-2022

5.1 XXI April International Academic Conference on Economic and Social Development, Moscow, April 6-10, 2020.

The National Research University Higher School of Economics (HSE University), with the support of the World Bank, will be hosting the conference. Olga Glezer (Institute of Geography, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, and Steering Committee member) co-organizes, as a discussant, the Panel “People on the Land. Social and Geographical Transformations of Old-Developed Areas of Extra-Urban Russia in the Conditions of Depopulation” (Application is submitted). The panel is supposed to consider the development of old-developed areas of the European part of Russia in modern conditions. Most areas, especially small towns and rural areas, experience severe depopulation, human capital lost, high level of unemployment, and increased spatial mobility. For rural areas, which have lost a significant part of the population, the emergence of a new rural-urban, although not permanent population is of great importance. The study of different types of emerging mixed communities requires an interdisciplinary research approach.

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5.2 The 5th International Conference 'Urban e-Planning', Lisbon, Portugal, 6-7 April 2020

The 5th International Conference 'Urban e-Planning', convened by Carlos Nunes Silva (Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon, Portugal, and chair of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance), and organized by the 'International Journal of E-Planning Research' and by the Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon, will be held in Lisbon, Portugal, on 6-7 April 2020. The Conference addresses two main themes: 1. Governance and Planning of Smart Cities; 2. Citizen E-Participation in Urban Governance. The Conference is endorsed by the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance. More information is available in the conference website: <https://sites.google.com/view/uep2020-conference/home>

5.3 IGU Thematic Conference, Lecce, Italy, 29 May - 2 June 2020

The next IGU Thematic Conference, to be held in Lecce, Italy, on 29 May - 2 June 2020, is co-organised by the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance and five other IGU Commissions. The Conference theme is "Heritage Geographies: Politics, Uses and Governance of the Past".

"Heritage is a complex idea. It is an ambiguous term to translate with its multiple meanings and layer integrating elements referring to the past, culture, memory, identity, conservation and also, regrettably, conflict. Although heritage refers to the past, not everything from our past may enter into our heritage. Heritage is made only of what we want to remember. And what we do want others and future generations to remember about us. In this way, memories become the legacy, at times stylized, and for the most part selected and embellished. If we think about traditional cuisine as an intangible heritage, we do not want to eat everything that was consumed in the past, but only what in the food of the past we believe is worthy of being eaten. As regards physical heritage, we do not celebrate the narrow alleys full of mud and sewage of our historic urban centres, nor the smell, but we want to preserve just the houses and their walls, as if they were the shells of a different life. If heritage is selective, one of the big questions about heritage is the role of mediators. You can have a heritage from below or you need to have someone to help you understand what is important to pass on to your children about that past. Which institutions, then, must take on the role of creation/preservation of the heritage, and on what scale must they operate? What is the role of geo-parks, museums and ecomuseums, and what is the relationship between conservation activities, local institutions and society? Eventually, is it possible to talk about heritage from below? But heritage is not only selective; it

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can be controversial too, and even disputed. It is not just a question of culture, conservation and patrimonialization. It is an issue of power. “He who controls the past controls the future. He who controls the present controls the past”. This is not just a brilliant quote from George Orwell’s 1984. It is also a way for underlining the role of power in relation to the making of heritage. Because, those who controls the present, also controls the heritage. Because of its political relevance, heritage can be built in a way that promotes a message of peace. Or, it may suggest feelings of hatred and claims of revenge. The management of controversial places of memory and heritage therefore has an important political meaning. Geographical names can also celebrate a past that you want to impose. Or forget. In some cases, there is a double toponymy, which on the one hand celebrates the unity of the nation-state and of the majority population, on the other hand recalls the cultural specificity of the territory. In others, there are names in two or three different languages. Yet in other places, tourism erases the traditional toponymy and imposes its own, more in tune with the happy image that you want to promote. For this reason, a thematic conference on the “geographies of the heritage” opens a broad debate, which can involve many of the voices that the IGU commissions may put together.»

Sessions and papers may address the following sub-themes: 1. Heritage governance; 2. Heritage and Urban Planning; 3. Heritage-telling; 4. Patrimonialization of cultural heritage ; 5. Heritage and ICTs; 6. Memories from the territories and educational strategies; 7. Heritage geopolitics; 8. Heritage and knowledge economy; 9. Heritage for consumption: tourists and tourism; 10. Heritage and toponymy; 11. Heritages, Mediterranean cultures and Southern thinking; 12. Dark Heritage (from below).

The IGU Commission Geography of Governance proposed the following 4 sessions:

«Session 12. *Local Government and the Governance of Urban Heritage (IGU Commission on Geography of Governance)*

Chairs: Carlos Nunes Silva (University of Lisbon) & Anna Trono (University of Salento)

This session aims to explore recent changes in the role of local government in the governance of urban cultural heritage. Papers can be focused on local government issues (institutional models, cooperation models, organizational and financial issues, etc.) in specific local case studies or may offer a comparison of policy cases in municipalities and cities in the same country or in different countries. The session aims also to examine and to discuss past policy approaches in the field of cultural heritage management at sub-national tiers of government. Although the focus is on local and urban government, the analysis should consider, when appropriate, the multi-level urban heritage governance context. The session is

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supported by the IGU Commission Geography of Governance and is proposed for sub-theme: 1. Heritage Governance.

Session 13. Citizen Participation in the Governance of Urban Heritage (IGU Commission on Geography of Governance)

Chairs: Carlos Nunes Silva (University of Lisbon) & Anna Trono (University of Salento)

This session aims to explore the role and forms of citizen participation in the governance of Urban heritage. The session aims in particular to address citizen engagement in urban planning processes, namely in innovative models of urban planning and in alternative modes of urban heritage governance. The session is open to include case studies, comparative studies and historical analysis of citizen engagement in urban planning focused on cultural heritage. The session is supported by the IGU Commission Geography of Governance and is proposed for subtheme: 2. Heritage and Urban Planning.

Session 14. Smart Governance and Urban Heritage (IGU Commission on Geography of Governance)

Chairs: Carlos Nunes Silva (University of Lisbon) & Anna Trono (University of Salento)

This session aims to explore, discuss and present innovative theoretical and empirical research and ground-breaking approaches in the field of Urban e-Planning and its impact on the governance of Urban heritage. The session aims in particular to explore the impact of the growing number of digital innovations, new methods and new digital tools in the field smart governance of urban heritage. We welcome papers that address the current digital transition (digitization of urban governance and urban planning procedures, datafication of urban heritage activities and services, among other important changes) and its impact on the governance of urban heritage. The session is open to include case studies and comparative studies. The session is supported by the IGU Commission Geography of Governance and is proposed for sub-theme: 5. Heritage and ICT's.

Session 15. Urban Planning and Heritage (IGU Commission on Geography of Governance)

Chairs: Carlos Nunes Silva (University of Lisbon) & Anna Trono (University of Salento)

The session aims to address how urban heritage is included and dealt with in the formal national spatial planning systems. In particular, the session seeks to explore institutional innovations in the field of Urban Planning related to the urban cultural heritage as well as the new tools employed by municipalities in the planning and governance of urban heritage. The session is open to include case studies as well as comparative studies. The session is supported by the IGU Commission Geography of Governance and is proposed for sub-theme: 2. Heritage and Urban Planning.»

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More information is available in the Conference website:

www.heritagegeographies.it The deadlines are: Submission of

Sessions proposals: 1 September 2019, acceptance 1 October 2019; Submission of

Abstracts: 1 November 2019, acceptance 1 January 2020. More information about

the participation of the Commission is available in the Commission website:

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5.4 Quality Network for Sustainable Tourism – QNeST Project . Adrion Programme international workshop, Lecce, Italy, May 2020.

Anna Trono (The University of Salento, Italy, and member of the IGU-CCoG Steering Committee) is engaged in the organization of the 'Quality Network for Sustainable Tourism – QNeST Project . Adrion Programme international workshop, in Lecce, Italy, May 2020.

5.5 The 3rd World Conference of the Society for Urban Ecology - 'Cities as social and ecological systems', Poznań, Poland, 6-8 July 2020 - <https://www.sure2020.org/> Workshop: "Cities between Sprawl and Compaction".

Workshop Chair: Tomasz Kaczmarek & Łukasz Mikuła. Session description: In most countries of the world, the 20th century was a period of strong development of the phenomenon of suburbanization conditioned mainly by modernization: economic - resulting in an increase in the wealth of society, technical - expressed in the dissemination of increasingly better means of transport, and as a result, social - associated with a change in aspirations, mainly of the middle class, to change housing environment. In the 21st century the contemporary challenges of urbanization are moving towards the implementation of the concept of a compact city, also known as a city of short distances. This model of city development assumes the compaction of, generally uncontrolled, urban sprawl, support for urban regeneration and revitalization of deprived areas, as well as priority for public transport, cycling and walking while limiting car traffic. The compact city model was recognized in the European Spatial Development Perspective as being in line with the principles of sustainable development. The purpose of the session is to present current problems of urban sprawl and show good examples of counteracting this process through planning, institutional, economic and social instruments and activities. Topics of papers:

1. Main drivers of urban sprawl;
2. Spatial, economic, social, ecological effects of urban sprawl;
3. Formal and informal planning instruments for limiting urban sprawl;

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4. Public awareness of urban sprawl and social movements for compact and livable cities; 5. Examples of compact cities and estates – innovative urban and technological solutions.

5.6 34th International Geographical Congress, 2020

The IGU Commission on Geography of Governance will participate in the 34th International Geographical Congress "Geography: bridging the continents" to be held in Istanbul, Turkey, on 17-21 August 2020.

The IGU Commission Geography of Governance proposed the following 10 sessions:

Session 1. Citizen Participation in Urban Governance: Formal and Informal Community Engagement in Local Government Policies

Citizens participation in local government policies is now common practice in democratic and decentralized countries. Global Urban Agendas adopted by the United Nations in recent decades, focused on human settlements and on sustainable development, put citizens at the centre of the decision-making process, in particular at the local and urban scale. Besides the now common formal institutional frameworks in which citizen participation is embedded there are also informal frameworks through which citizens can act upon the policy process and decision making. This session seeks to be a forum in which these formal and informal citizen participation modes can be presented, discussed, and confronted. The use of ICT in citizen participation processes, i.e. models and practices of e-participation in local and urban policy settings, particularly in urban e-planning, will also be explored and discussed.

Session 2. Climate Policy and Local Governance

Climate change is a serious environmental and socio-political challenge, with impacts visible at both local and global levels. This challenge requires urgent action. Local government must take part and lead these crucial actions. This session aims to explore and to discuss how municipalities and other tiers of sub-national government are effectively responding to climate change. The session intends to address these issues through individual case studies or in comparative approaches. In particular, the session aims to explore the policy responses in the field of municipal spatial planning, buildings, energy, transport, waste, among other sectors.

Session 3. Inter-Municipal Cooperation

This session aims to explore and to discuss current trends, institutional models and challenges in inter-municipal cooperation. Besides the traditional institutional models of municipal associations there are now new forms of municipal cooperation that have been developed in recent years. These trends in inter-municipal cooperation and

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the respective challenges need to be examined, compared, and discussed in the context of the overall transformation of local and urban governance institutional models. This session intends to be a forum in which inter-municipal cooperation, including its organizational and financial issues, inter-municipal spatial planning and inter-municipal policies - social, economic and environmental - are explored and discussed through individual case studies or in comparative approaches.

Session 4. International Cooperation of Local and Regional Authorities

This session aims to explore and to discuss current trends, institutional models and challenges in the field of international cooperation of local and regional governments, in continental wide arrangements, as is the case in Europe and in Africa, but also in global networks of local authorities. The session intends to explore and to discuss the different modes of decentralized cooperation for sustainable development as well as the current practices of municipal / city twinning, its actions, impacts and challenges, namely in the context of the global agendas on sustainable development adopted in recent decades.

Session 5. Local Government Reforms: Decentralization V. Centralization

This session aims to explore and to discuss the current reforms of local government in different regions of the world, confronting recent cases of re-centralization with the more general trend towards decentralization. Among other issues, the session seeks to discuss the impacts of these reforms in the organizational, functional and financial autonomy of local government, in local policies - social, economic, environmental -, and on the capacity of local government to fulfil its role in the implementation of the UN Global Sustainable Development Agendas, such as the Agenda 2030 and the New Urban Agenda.

Session 6. Metropolitan Governance: Trends, Models, Challenges

This session aims to explore and to discuss current trends, institutional models and challenges in the governance of metropolitan areas in different regions of the world. Besides the traditional institutional models of metropolitan government, applied in most of the metropolitan areas, new forms of governance of these large urban areas seem to be emerging. These changes need to be examined, compared with traditional models, and discussed in the context of the overall transformation of local and urban governance models. This session seeks to be a forum in which metropolitan government institutional models, metropolitan spatial planning and metropolitan policies - social, economic and environmental - are explored and discussed.

Session 7. Migrants and Refugees Democratic Rights in Local Governance

This session aims to explore and to discuss how local government policies have dealt with the rights of migrants and refugees in recent years, in Europe and in other

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regions of the world. The session intends to address these issues through individual case studies or in comparative approaches.

Session 8. Shrinking Cities, Expanding Metropolises, de Populated Villages: The Governance Responses

Cities losing population represent an important challenge for local government. The urban decline associated with the notion of shrinking cities affect numerous cities since the beginning of the 21st century, as a result of de-industrialization, socio-economic crisis and demographic transition. On the contrary, in other cities, within the same country, large metropolitan areas continue to expand. At the same time, in rural areas small villages continue to depopulate, which raises serious issues for the sustainability of these local communities. This session aims to explore and to discuss the responses of local government to these different processes, in particular the responses of the spatial planning system to these contrasted demographic processes.

Session 9. Spatial Justice and the Right to the City: The Role of Local Government

The announcement by the United Nations that in 2007, for the first time, the majority of the world's population lived in urban areas, a trend expected to expand, and the paradigm shift introduced by the New Urban Agenda, adopted by the United Nations in the Habitat-III Conference in 2016, in which urbanization and cities are now seen as drivers of sustainable development, put cities at the centre of the debates on sustainable development for all. Parallel to this development, there has been in the last years a growing interest in the idea of the 'Right to the City', namely in initiatives carried out in Europe and in Latin America. A landmark in this process was the adoption of the World Charter on the Right to the City. This session intends to explore and to discuss approaches and practices developed by local government in order to improve the quality of everyday life in cities and its outcomes based on a broader notion of 'Right to the City' - civil, political, economic, social, cultural and environmental rights.

Session 10. Transnational and Transcontinental Networking and Policy Learning

This session aims to explore and to discuss current trends, challenges and outcomes in the field of transnational and transcontinental flows of urban policies ideas. The session intends to explore and to discuss in particular the transnational flows of spatial planning ideas within continental wide networks, as is the case within the European Union, but also through transcontinental networks.

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5.7 Conference on "Governance and Planning", Faculty of Socio-Economic Geography and Spatial Management, Metropolitan Research Center, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań, Poland, on 23-25 June 2021.

The IGU Commission Geography of Governance organizes the Conference on "Governance and Planning" in June 2021, in Poznań, Poland. The aim is to explore the complex relationships between governance and planning in local, regional, national and international context. Contributions from all over the world are welcome, especially on one of the following topics: Role of planning in shaping new spaces of territorial governance; Planning visions and political agenda in local, regional and national governments; Interplay between formal and informal planning institutions, procedures and documents; Strategic spatial planning in governance networks for climate change adaptation and mitigation. The Workshop is convened by Prof. Tomasz Kaczmarek, Faculty of Socio-Economic Geography and Spatial Management, Metropolitan Research Center, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań, Poland. The Scientific Committee has the following members: Axel Prieb (Institut für Geographie und Regionalforschung, Universität Wien); Carlos Nunes Silva (Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon); Paweł Churski (Faculty of Socio-Economic Geography and Spatial Management Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań); Przemysław Śleszyński (Institute of Geography and Spatial Organisation, Polish Academy of Science, Warsaw); Tomasz Kaczmarek (Faculty of Socio-Economic Geography and Spatial Management, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań). The Local Organization Commission (Faculty of Socio-Economic Geography and Spatial Management, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań, Poland) is constituted by: Dr Łukasz Mikuła (Conference Executive Manager); Dr Marzena Walaszek; Dr Radosław Bul; Dr Justyna Wilk; Mgr Magdalena Karczewicz-Lamparska. The venue is: Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań, Poznań City Hall, Poland.

5.8 IGU-UGI Paris 2022: 100^e anniversaire de la fondation de l'UGI / 100th IGU anniversary - 'Le temps des géographes' - 'Time for geographers', Paris, 18-22 July 2022

The IGU Commission on Geography of Governance will participate in the 100th IGU anniversary, to be held in Paris, France, on 18-22 July 2022.

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5.9 Plan for other meetings (workshops / conferences / panels)

We also aim to take part in other meetings in Europe (RGS-IBG, etc.), North America (AAG, UAA, etc.), South America (e.g., Latin America Geographers), Asia (e.g., China), Oceania (e.g., NZGS-IAG), and in Africa (North and sub-Saharan). This will take the form of panels in large conferences or own workshops and conferences. Some of these activities are expected to be developed in association with other IGU Commissions as well as with other professional associations. More information on this plan will be provided in the coming Newsletters.

6. OTHER ACTIVITIES BY COMMISSION MEMBERS

Ilona Pálné Kovács (Institute for Regional Studies, Centre for Economic and Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary, and member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee) has been elected member of Academia Europaea.

Ilona Pálné Kovács (Institute for Regional Studies, Centre for Economic and Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary, and member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee) has been Plenary speaker at RSA conference, Lublin, 11-12, September.

Ilona Pálné Kovács (Institute for Regional Studies, Centre for Economic and Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Hungary, and member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee) is currently preparing the work for the report to be made on local democracy in Bulgaria for the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities (CoE).

Tomasz Kaczmarek (Faculty of Socio-Economic Geography and Spatial Management, Adam Mickiewicz University, and member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee) was elected to the Scientific Excellence Council. It is a new body in Poland that works for the development of scientific staff. He will take care of the highest standards of the quality of scientific activity required to obtain academic degrees and the title of professor. The composition of the Council was determined democratically as part of the elections in which all persons holding the postdoctoral degree or the title of professor can take part. Tomasz Kaczmarek represents the discipline of Socio-Economic Geography and Spatial Management. The Council also includes professor Swianiewicz from the University of Warsaw, associated for years with our commission.

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Tomasz Kaczmarek (Faculty of Socio-Economic Geography and Spatial Management, Adam Mickiewicz University, and member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee). In June 2019, a team of scientists from the Metropolitan Research Center of the University of Adam Mickiewicz in Poznań (Poland) received the award of the Minister of Investment and Development in the field of geoinformation. In the category of national publications the prize was awarded to “Zastosowanie aplikacji geoankiety i geodyskusji w partycypacyjnym planowaniu przestrzennym – dobre praktyki” (Eng. "Application of geo questionnaire and geodiscussion in participatory spatial planning - good practices"). The team of authors: Piotr Jankowski, Tomasz Kaczmarek, Zbigniew Zwoliński, Edyta Bąkowska, Michał Czepkiewicz, Łukasz Mikuła, Marek Młodowski, Cezary Brudka.

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8. ANNEXES

8.1 ANNEX

IGU Commission on Geography of Governance, 2016-2020

(In: IGU CGoG website: <https://sites.google.com/site/igugeogov/aims>)

I. Introduction

The [International Geographical Union \(IGU\)](#) is an international, non-governmental, professional organization devoted to the development of the discipline of Geography. The IGU was formally established in Brussels in 1922. Its instruments are its National Committees (101, in 2016), Commissions (38, in 2016) and Task Forces (3, in 2016).

In 1984, the International Geographical Union established a Study Group under the title 'Geography and Public Administration', which was then used as the preliminary status before a Commission could be launched. It was replaced in 1988 by a Commission on 'Geography and Public Administration'. Since then, the Commission was renamed twice to reflect new issues and perspectives on the relation between territory and public administration. In 2000 became 'Commission on Geography and Public Policy' and in 2008 adopted its current title 'Commission on Geography of Governance'.

An important aspect of the initial period (1984-1988) was participation of Commission members in early debates about restructuring of local and regional government in the central European countries then dominated by the Soviet bloc. Two of the main meetings held in this period dealt with specific aspects of Poland and Hungary, and the wider debates in other Central European countries. Catalan regionalism and separatism also became a very live issue, with the Commission holding a meeting in Barcelona specifically to engage in the debate. A feature of the Commission's activities was collaboration with other organisations, such as the Academy of Sciences in Budapest and in Warsaw, and with the Institute of Catalan Studies in Barcelona. An important partnership was a collaboration with the sister organisation of IGU, the International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS). Robert Bennett represented the IGU Group at an IIAS meeting in Berlin in 1984 just prior to the launch of the IGU Commission (Study Group). This founded collaboration with a Study Group of IIAS on L'Amenagement du Territoire (The management of territory), formed mainly of lawyers and administrative scientists, who were also centred on Central European reforms. As well as its own IGU Commission publications, collaboration with the IIAS produced a key publication in 1988: L'Amenagement du Territoire et les Pouvoirs Locaux et Regionaux face aux Mutations Economiques (Regional Planning and Local Government confronted with Economic Change), ed. Gerard Marcou (University of Lille). This was interdisciplinary with members of the IIAS, with 5 of the 11 chapters written by IGU members. In February 1988, at the end of the Commission's first four years, a path-breaking meeting was held in Washington D.C. jointly with the US Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, and taking place in the Indian Treaty Room of the White House.

The Study Group formally became a Commission at the IGU Congress in 1988 in Sydney. A key feature of the period 1988-1992 continue to be restructuring of local and regional governmental in the central European countries. In the build-up to the removal of the Berlin Wall in 1990, and its aftermath, the Commission took an active role in many activities to implement new laws and reforms in countries now freed from limitations on open debate. One of its members, Jerzy Regulski became the minister for Local Government reform in Poland; other members in Czechoslovakia, Poland, Hungary and Russia became politicians, or were active as advisors and consultants. It was a dramatic period of change throughout central Europe in which the Commission played a small but important role. The Commission meeting in Moscow in September 1991 was uncertain, but did begin just as the siege of the Russian Parliament and Boris Yeltsin came to an end, with the parliament building surrounded by tanks. Collaboration continued with the International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS), and new collaborations developed. A major meeting sponsored by the United Nations University (and others) took place in Spain in 1991 that widened the IGU Commission's brief to developing countries, and also focused on the other key themes of the period of decentralisation geographically, and to markets, often focused on



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privatisation. The Commission over this period also diversified through many bilateral collaborations focused on developing expertise in the new regimes of Central Europe. Key exchanges occurred with Amsterdam (through Petr Dostál) and the London School of Economics (through Robert Bennett) to help colleagues in Prague, Bratislava, Budapest, Warsaw and other centres to access library resources and advice to develop new curricula for students, and to re-equip their teaching and library resources.

The third four-year period (1992-1996) of the Commission maintained a close focus on Central European developments, but also now added routine sessions at the major annual conferences of Geographical bodies in many countries, especially the USA. There was also diversification of the Commission's interests into wider concepts of governance taking debates further into understanding how partner bodies operated with formal government administration in different contexts.

Commission members meet now regularly at its annual conference, held in different parts of the world, and during the sessions or panels organized within the program of the major IGU Congresses and Conferences. Field trips to study and discuss local issues has also been held as part of some of its annual conferences.

The Commission has been highly active during its first three decades of existence, holding numerous sessions in all IGU major congresses and conferences, in addition to its own annual thematic conferences. The Commission facilitates the exchange of research outcomes, experiences and perspectives on local and regional governance issues in different contexts around the world. One of the outcomes of this joint work is the publication of several books and edited collections of selected papers in peer-reviewed international journals, namely in 'Environment & Planning C: Government and Policy', 'GeoJournal', Acta Universitatis Carolinae / Geographica, Bulletin de la Société Languedocienne de Géographie, and in the 'International Journal of E-Planning Research'.

The Commission publishes a Newsletter twice a year, which is sent by e-mail to all its members. The Newsletter informs about its past and future activities, and provides information on meetings organized worldwide by national or local groups of geographers focused on local and regional governance issues.

The Commission has its own website, a blog and an electronic mailing-list focused on issues of urban, local and regional governance.

An archive of its past activities (1988-2016) is available in the website.

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8.2 ANNEX: AAG 2019 ANNUAL MEETING, WASHINGTON, DC, USA, 3-7 APRIL 2019

LOCAL GOVERNANCE AND NEW CHALLENGES IN URBAN POLICY IN A CHANGING WORLD (Program - 4 Sessions)

SESSION 1. Local Governance and New Challenges in Urban Policy in a Changing World 1: Governance Networks and Local Government Reform (Chair: Eran Razin)
Day: 04/04/2019; Start / End Time: 8:00 / 9:40; Room: Stones Throw 2 - Slate, Marriott, Lobby Level; Organizers: Eran Razin, Carlos Nunes Silva; Chairs: Eran Razin

Type	Details	Minutes	Start Time
Presenter	Matthew Wargent*, <i>University of Reading, UK, Local governance and the private sector: the role of consultants in the English planning system</i>	20	8:00
Presenter	Kane Pham*, <i>University of Technology Sydney, Placing local government in metropolitan reform agendas: Re-shaping the Sydney Global City Region</i>	20	8:20
Presenter	Eran Razin*, <i>Hebrew University, Inter-municipal cooperation in between voluntarism and imposition</i>	20	8:40
Presenter	Carlos Nunes Silva*, <i>Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon, Portugal, Local Government Reforms in Angola, Cape Verde and Mozambique</i>	20	9:00
Presenter	Diego Silva Ardila*, <i>Colegio Mayor De Nuestra Senora Del Rosario, Metropolitan governance arrangements and urban development in the Colombian system of cities</i>	20	9:20

SESSION 2. Local Governance and New Challenges in Urban Policy in a Changing World 2: Aspects of urban development I (Chair: Carlos Nunes Silva)
Day: 04/04/2019; Start / End Time: 9:55 / 11:35; Room: Stones Throw 2 - Slate, Marriott, Lobby Level; Organizers: Eran Razin, Carlos Nunes Silva; Chairs: Carlos Nunes Silva

Type	Details	Minutes	Start Time
Presenter	Falguni Mukherjee*, <i>Sam Houston State University, Social Construction of GIS and Networks of Association for Urban e-governance – The case of an Urban Local Body in India</i>	20	9:55
Presenter	Gidon Jakar*, <i>University of Michigan, Local Government Strategic vs. Short-cited Centralized Planning: The Gap between Planning</i>	20	10:15

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Type	Details	Minutes	Start Time
	<i>and Implementation of Sport Development Projects in Israeli Cities</i>		
Presenter	Emil Evenhuis*, Geography and Environmental Science, <i>Governance Evolution and City Economic Development: Comparing the Pathways of Five British Cities</i>	20	10:35
Presenter	Mayang Puteri*, The University of Manchester, <i>Urban Governance in Informal Urban Fishing Communities in Indonesia: Locating Local Governance and Participation in New Urban Agenda</i>	20	10:55

SESSION 3. Local Governance and New Challenges in Urban Policy in a Changing World 3: Aspects of urban development II (Chair: Eran Razin)

Day: 04/04/2019; Start / End Time: 1:10 / 2:50; Room: Stones Throw 2 - Slate, Marriott, Lobby Level; Organizers: Eran Razin, Carlos Nunes Silva; Chairs: Eran Razin

Type	Details	Minutes	Start Time
Presenter	Marc Parés*, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Mara Ferreri, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Sergio Villamayor, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, <i>Governance as commons in the Metropolitan Area of Barcelona: analyzing urban co-production initiatives and their territorial impact</i>	20	1:10
Presenter	Xin Feng*, Tongji University, <i>Dilemmas of change in Chinese local governance: Reforms in the governance of urban and peri-urban greening in Shanghai</i>	20	1:30
Presenter	Lukasz Mikula*, Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan, <i>Metropolitan 'soft spaces' of planning and post-socialist state rescaling in Poland</i>	20	1:50
Presenter	Callum Ward*, KU Leuven, <i>Authoring Fictitious Capital: uneven development and the politics of urban rent production in Antwerp</i>	20	2:10
Presenter	Benjamin Clifford*, University College London, Janice Morphet, Bartlett School of Planning, University College London, <i>Austerity and municipal entrepreneurialism: The rise of local authority housing companies in England</i>	20	2:30

SESSION 4. Local Governance and New Challenges in Urban Policy in a Changing World 4: A social-environmental sustainability focus (Chair: Carlos Nunes Silva)

Day: 04/04/2019; Start / End Time: 3:05 / 4:45; Room: Stones Throw 2 - Slate, Marriott, Lobby Level; Organizers: Eran Razin, Carlos Nunes Silva; Chairs: Carlos Nunes Silva.

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Type	Details	Minutes	Start Time
Presenter	Pamela Wridt*, , <u>Elevating community geography in the new urban agenda: A global evaluation of an approach to community-level assessment and planning with young people</u>	20	3:05
Presenter	Rong Cai*, University of Hong Kong, <u>Uneven Infrastructural Power of the State in Governing Homeowner Associations in Urban China: A Case Study of Guangzhou</u>	20	3:25
Presenter	Valentin Espert*, Wuppertal Institute, <u>Urban Governance of Sustainability Transformations. The Case of InnovationCity Ruhr - Model City Bottrop (Germany).</u>	20	3:45
Presenter	Michael D Bennett II*, University of San Diego, Suzanné Walther, University of San Diego, Andrew Tirrell, University of San Diego, <u>Border Diplomacy: How Water Unites Cities</u>	20	4:05
Presenter	Simphiwe Enoch Mini*, University of South Africa, <u>New Urban Governance for spatio-social Justice: Urban Governance for Sustainability in South Africa.</u>	20	4:25



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8.3 ANNEX: WORKSHOP "NEW CHALLENGES OF DECENTRALIZATION"

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HAS Centre for Economic and Regional Studies – Institute
for Regional Studies

Pécs, Hungary, 9 - 10 May 2019

PROGRAM

Day 1 – 9 May 2019 (Thursday)

Venue: HAS Centre for Economic and Regional Studies – Institute for Regional Studies
7621 Pécs, Papnövelde u. 22., Hungary <https://goo.gl/RkfxTP>

8:30 Registration

9:00 Workshop opening

Ilona Pálné Kovács (CERS HAS Institute for Regional Studies, Hungary)

Carlos Nunes Silva (University of Lisbon, Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning,
Portugal)

9:30 Plenary session

Pawel Swianiewicz (University of Warsaw, Faculty of Geography and Regional Studies,
Poland): Municipal territorial reforms in Europe of 21st century – the dominant discourse of
the reforms

10:00 Coffee break

10:30 Panel 1 – Theory of decentralisation

Chair: Carlos Nunes Silva (University of Lisbon, Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning,
Portugal)

Ludmila Malikova (Comenius University in Bratislava, Slovakia): Trends, advantages and
disadvantages of decentralization in Slovakia

Ivaldo Lima (Fluminense Federal University, Department of Geography, Brazil): Challenges
of territorial governance: concentrated decentralization in Brazil



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Mariusz Wiktor Sienkiewicz (Marie Curie Skłodowska University, Faculty of Political Science, Poland): Determinants and effects of the process of decentralization of public administration in Poland - do we need a redefinition of the adopted model?

Anna Trono (University of Salento, Italy): A new governance in the tourism sector in Italy

12:00 Lunch

13:00 Panel 2 – Dynamism (process) of decentralisation reforms

Chair: Ilona Pálné Kovács (CERS HAS Institute for Regional Studies, Hungary)

Carlos Nunes Silva (University of Lisbon, Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, Portugal): Decentralization in Africa and Local Government Reforms: the case of Angola and Mozambique

Iwona Sagan, Jakub H. Szlachetko (University of Gdansk, Faculty of Oceanography and Geography, Poland): Recentralization processes in Poland: the governmental policy of small steps

Ágnes Simon (University of Pécs, Department of Political Science and International Studies, Hungary): Regionalism, decentralization, regional elections in France

Rassem Khamaisi (University of Haifa, Department of Geography and Environmental Studies, Israel): Decentralization under siege

14:30 Coffee break

15:00 Panel 3 – Cities in multi-level governance

Chair: Anna Trono (University of Salento. Italy)

Edit Somlyódy Pfiel (Széchenyi István University, Kautz Gyula Faculty of Economics, Hungary): New methods of centralisation – The case of the Hungarian self-government system

Bartosz Bartosiewicz, Katarzyna Leśniewska-Napierała (University of Lodz, Faculty of Geographical Sciences, Poland): Towards recentralization – remarks on the Institutionalization of cooperation in metropolitan areas in Poland

Ira Bliatka (Institute for Democracy 21, Czech Republic): Revisiting the Urban Renewal - Public Participation nexus: the Case of Euroméditerranée and Marseille's Marche aux Puces



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Dragoş Dragoman (Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu, Romania): Territorial reform initiatives and failures in Romania: a longitudinal analysis

16:30 End of day

19:00 Joint dinner

Day 2 – 10 May 2019 (Friday)

Venue: HAS Centre for Economic and Regional Studies – Institute for Regional Studies
7621 Pécs, Papnövelde u. 22., Hungary <https://goo.gl/RkfxTP>

8:30 Registration

9:00 Panel 4 – Development policy and decentralisation

Chair: László Kákai (University of Pécs, Faculty of Humanities, Hungary)

István Finta (CERS HAS Institute for Regional Studies, Hungary): Decentralization and territorial approach in the European Union's regulation

Łukasz Mikuła (Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań, Institute of Socio-Economic Geography and Spatial Management, Poland): Metropolitan spatial planning as a challenge of decentralization in Central Eastern Europe

Boglárka Barsi (CERS HAS Institute for Regional Studies, Hungary): Possibilities and barriers of smart city development in rural areas – examples from Hungary and Slovakia

Zsuzsanna Zsibók (CERS HAS Institute for Regional Studies, Hungary): Tackling territorial inequalities through devolution and decentralisation – The case of the United Kingdom around the time of Brexit

10:30 Coffee break

11:00 Panel 5 – Public policies and decentralisation

Chair: Iwona Sagan (University of Gdansk, Faculty of Oceanography and Geography, Poland)

Tamás Vasvári (University of Pécs, Faculty of Business and Economics, Hungary): Decentralization and soft budget constraint: How important is the coincidence of beneficiaries and payers?

Leonardo Letelier S., Hector Ormeño C. (University of Chile, Institute of Public Affairs, Chile): Education and Decentralization in Chile. A multilevel analysis



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László Kákai (University of Pécs, Faculty of Humanities, Hungary): Changes in local public services in Hungary in terms of decentralization

Judit Keller (CERS HAS Institute for Regional Studies, Hungary): The limits of place-based initiatives in (re)centralised regimes

12:30 Closing session

13:00 Lunch

14:00 Post-conference sightseeing in Pécs downtown and the Zsolnay Quartier

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8.4 ANNEX: IGU COMMISSION GEOGRAPHY OF GOVERNANCE 2019 International Annual Conference "Local and Urban Governance. Trends, Challenges and Innovations in a Globalizing World", University of Cape Verde, Cidade da Praia, Cape Verde, 4 - 7 September 2019

<p align="center">International Conference LOCAL AND URBAN GOVERNANCE: TRENDS, CHALLENGES AND INNOVATIONS IN A GLOBALIZING WORLD</p> <p align="center">University of Cape Verde Cidade da Praia, 4 - 7 September 2019</p> <p align="center">PROGRAM</p>	
<p>CONFERENCE CONVENORS: Carlos Nunes Silva (Chair of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance & Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon, Portugal) José Maria Semedo (Faculty of Sciences and Technology, University of Cape Verde, Cape Verde)</p>	
<p align="center">WEDNESDAY – 4th September 2019</p>	
<p>Wednesday, September 4th 8:30 – 9:00</p>	<p>REGISTRATION FCT UNICV - Faculty of Sciences and Technology, University of Cape Verde (main entrance - ground floor)</p>
<p align="center">CONFERENCE OPENING - WELCOME</p>	
<p>Wednesday, September 4th 9:15 – 9:30 Room A</p>	<p>José Maria Semedo (Chair of the Local Organization Commission & Conference co-Convenor) Sílvia Monteiro (Head of the Geography Section, Faculty of Sciences and Technology, University of Cape Verde) Carlos Nunes Silva (Chair of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance & Conference co-Convenor) Elvis Chantre (Dean of the Faculty of Sciences and Technology, University of Cape Verde) Professora Doutora Judite Nascimento (Rector of the University of Cape Verde)</p>
<p>PLENARY</p>	<p>Track I - Local and Urban Governance and the New Global Urban Agendas Track II - Local and Urban Governance in Africa</p>
<p>CHAIR</p>	<p>Olga Glezer (Institute of Geography, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia)</p>
<p>DISCUSSANTS</p>	<p>Ilona Pálné Kovács (Hungarian Academy of Sciences & National University of Public Services, Hungary) Eric Ross (School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane, Morocco)</p>
<p>Wednesday, September 4th 9:30 – 10:30 Room A</p>	<p>LOCAL AND URBAN GOVERNANCE: HOW TO ACCOMMODATE THE PRESENCE OF STRANGERS? Bryan H. Massam (Department of Geography, York University, Toronto, Canada)</p> <p>DECOLONISING LAND USE MANAGEMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA Verna Nel* & Stuart Denoon-Stevens (Department of Urban and Regional Planning,</p>



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	University of the Free State, South Africa)
10:30 – 11:00	COFFEE-BREAK & INFORMAL NETWORKING
PANEL # 1	Track I - Local and Urban Governance and the New Global Urban Agendas
CHAIR	Daniel H. Q. Telles (Center for Marine Studies, Federal University of Paraná, Brazil)
DISCUSSANTS	Jerzy Bański (Institute of Geography and Spatial Organization, Polish Academy of Sciences, Poland) Miroslaw Grochowski (Faculty of Geography and Regional Studies, University of Warsaw, Poland)
Wednesday, September 4th 11:00 – 13:00 Room A	WHO PAYS AND WHO GOVERNS? POWER RELATIONS IN LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Ilona Pálné Kovács (Hungarian Academy of Sciences & National University of Public Services, Hungary) THE CHALLENGES OF WORKING ACROSS INTER-REGIONAL BOUNDARIES AND POLICY SILOS: CURRENT EVIDENCE AND FUTURE RESEARCH Tony Gore (Sheffield Hallam University, United Kingdom) MULTI-LEVEL GOVERNANCE OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA, A SOVEREIGN STATE IN NAME ONLY Antonio Violante (Department of Cultural Heritage and Environment, University of the Studies of Milan, Italy) DEFINING SUBNATIONAL OPEN GOVERNMENT: DOES LOCAL CONTEXT INFLUENCE POLICY AND PRACTICE? Merlin Chatwin (The University of Western Ontario, Canada)
PANEL # 2	Track II - Local and Urban Governance in Africa
CHAIR	Robert Home (Anglia Ruskin University, United Kingdom)
DISCUSSANTS	Alphonse Kyessi (Institute of Human Settlements Studies, Ardhi University, Tanzania) Ndiouga Benga (History Department, University Cheikh Anta Diop, Dakar, Senegal)
Wednesday, September 4th 11:00 – 13:00 Room B	FOOD SECURITY AND MUNICIPAL POWERS IN SOUTH AFRICA Jaap de Visser (Dullah Omar Institute, University of the Western Cape, South Africa) GOVERNING MINING-BASED MUNICIPALITIES IN SOUTH AFRICA Verna Nel* (Department of Urban and Regional Planning, University of the Free State, South Africa); Mark Oranje (Town and Regional Planning Department, University of Pretoria, South Africa) & Emmie Smit* (Post Graduate School, University of the Free State, South Africa) ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE AUTONOMY OF HOLY CITIES IN SENEGAL: TOUBA AND MADINA GOUNASS Eric Ross (School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane, Morocco) DISEASE OUTBREAKS IN HARARE & MONROVIA: VARYING DIAGNOSES OF THE ROLE OF THE CITY AND ITS GOVERNANCE Hillary Birch (The Urban School, Sciences Po Paris, France)
13:00 – 14:00	LUNCH (University Campus)
PANEL # 3	Track I - Local and Urban Governance and the New Global Urban Agendas



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CHAIR	Eric Ross (School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane, Morocco)
DISCUSSANTS	Rassem Khamaisi (Department of Geography and Environmental Studies, University of Haifa, Israel) Jay Mitra (Essex Business School, University of Essex, United Kingdom)
Wednesday, September 4th 14:00 – 15:30 Room A	CHALLENGES OF SMART URBAN GOVERNANCE Iwona Sagan (Department of Socio-Economic Geography, University of Gdańsk, Poland) URBAN PLATFORMS AS A MODE OF GOVERNANCE Arto Haveri* & Ari-Veikko Anttiroiko (Faculty of Management, University of Tampere, Finland) GIS SOLUTIONS FOR «BAD» SPATIAL DATA PROCESSING IN ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNANCE Nikolai Kazantsev*; P.N. Grishin; V.N. Kholina & T.F. Kreidenko (Institute of Geography, RAS, Moscow, Russia & Peoples' Friendship University of Russia, Moscow, Russia)
PANEL # 4	Track I - Local and Urban Governance and the New Global Urban Agendas
CHAIR	Ilona Pálné Kovács (Hungarian Academy of Sciences & National University of Public Services, Hungary)
DISCUSSANTS	Andrzej Rykała (Department of Political and Historical Geography and Regional Studies, University of Łódź, Poland) Marek Degórski (Institute of Geography and Spatial Organization, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw, Poland)
Wednesday, September 4th 14:00 – 15:30 Room B	PROTECTED AREAS ALONG THE ADRIATIC COAST. A “CASE STUDY” OF GOOD GOVERNANCE THE DUNE COSTIERE DA TORRE CANNE A TORRE SAN LEONARDO REGIONAL NATURE PARK IN PUGLIA REGION IN SOUTHERN ITALY Anna Trono (University of Salento, Italy) FROM ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION TO LOCAL GOVERNANCE: EXPERIENCES OF PARTICIPATION AND TOURISM COOPERATION IN THE ZINAVE NATIONAL PARK - MOZAMBIQUE Sara Belotti (Department of Studies on Language and Culture, University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Italy) COASTAL AUTHORITIES' FORUM: THE ISRAELI MODEL Ophir Pines Paz (Institute for Local Government, Faculty of Social Sciences, Tel Aviv University, Israel)
16:30 – 18:30	STUDY VISIT 1: HISTORICAL CENTER ('PLATEAU') - Walking tour
Meeting point (16:30)	Praça Alexandre Albuquerque ('Plateau') - centre of the square
Coordination and guided tour	Lourenço Gomes (University of Cape Verde, Cape Verde)
THURSDAY – 5th September 2019	
PANEL # 5	Track I - Local and Urban Governance and the New Global Urban Agendas
CHAIR	Iwona Sagan (Department of Socio-Economic Geography, University of Gdańsk, Poland)
DISCUSSANTS	Nikolai Kazantsev (Institute of Geography, RAS, Moscow, Russia & Peoples' Friendship

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	University of Russia, Moscow, Russia) Konrad Czapiewski (IGPZ PAN—Institute of Geography and Spatial Organization, Poland)
Thursday, September 5th 8:00 – 10:00 Room A	CLIMATE CHANGE AND GREEN LOCAL GOVERNANCE IN THE CIRCUMPOLAR ARCTIC REGION: INSTITUTIONAL, POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS Alessandro Vitale (Department of International, Legal, Historical and Political Studies, University of Milan, Italy) THE ROLE AND IMPORTANCE OF LOCAL KNOWLEDGE AND INSTITUTIONS FOR CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION IN ATLANTIC SIDS Luís Manuel Alves* (DREAMS - Centre for Interdisciplinary Development and Research on Environment, Applied Management and Space - Faculty of Engineering, Lusophone University of Humanities and Technologies, Lisbon, Portugal) & Cristina Paulino* (SOCIUS, CSG - Research Centre in Economic and Organizational Sociology, ISEG – Lisbon School of Economics and Management, University of Lisbon, Portugal) TERRITORIAL STATUS AS GOVERNANCE CONDITION AT MARINE SPACE: CHALLENGES AND PROSPECTS AT BRAZILIAN'S ESTUARIES Daniel Hauer Queiroz Telles (Center for Marine Studies, Federal University of Paraná, Brazil) SMOG A NEW CHALLENGE FOR SPATIAL PLANNING AND URBAN MANAGEMENT - POLISH CASE STUDY Bożena Degórska* & Marek Degórski* (Institute of Geography and Spatial Organization, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw, Poland)
PANEL # 6	Track II - Local and Urban Governance in Africa
CHAIR	Tony Gore (Sheffield Hallam University, United Kingdom)
DISCUSSANTS	Verna Nel (University of the Free State, South Africa) Faustin T. Kalabamu (Department of Architecture & Planning, University of Botswana, Botswana)
Thursday, September 5th 8:00 – 10:00 Room B	THE GOVERNANCE OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES IN PERI-URBAN AREAS: THE CASE OF MUUNGANO SETTLEMENT IN DAR ES SALAAM CITY, TANZANIA Alphonse Kyessi*; Wilbard Kombe & Yohannes Kachenje (Institute of Human Settlements Studies, Ardhi University, Tanzania) LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CAPE VERDE: AN OVERVIEW José Maria Semedo* (Faculty of Sciences and Technology, University of Cape Verde, Cape Verde) & Carlos Nunes Silva* (Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Lisbon, Portugal)
10:00 – 10:30	COFFEE-BREAK & INFORMAL NETWORKING
PANEL # 7	Track I - Local and Urban Governance and the New Global Urban Agendas
CHAIR	Olga Glezer (Institute of Geography, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia)
DISCUSSANTS	Antonio Violante (Department of Cultural Heritage and Environment, University of the Studies of Milan, Italy) Ioan Ianos (University of Bucharest, Romania)
Thursday, September 5th 10:30 – 12:30	CHALLENGES OF MUNICIPAL AMALGAMATIONS BETWEEN EFFICIENCY AND DEMOCRACY. SOME ACTUAL EUROPEAN EXPERIENCE Jochen Franzke (Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences, University of Potsdam,



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Room A	<p>Germany)</p> <p>FROM NORMATIVE TO PROCESS ORIENTED APPROACH – DEALING WITH CHALLENGES OF METROPOLITAN GOVERNANCE Sylvia Dudek-Mańkowska* & Mirosław Grochowski* (Urban Laboratory, Faculty of Geography and Regional Studies, University of Warsaw, Poland)</p> <p>CONTEMPORARY TENDENCIES OF TRANSFORMATIONS OF THE LARGEST POLISH CITIES CENTRES Marek Sobczyński (Department of Political and Historical Geography and Regional Studies, University of Łódź, Poland)</p> <p>ARE TERRITORIAL INEQUALITIES MORE LOCAL IN CONTEMPORARY POLAND? Tomasz Komornicki (Institute of Geography and Spatial Organization, Polish Academy of Sciences, Poland)</p> <p>RECENTRALIZATION OF RESOURCES AFFECT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS OF RIAU ISLANDS, INDONESIA Mohamad Rachmadian Narotama (School of Geography, Earth and Environmental Sciences, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom)</p>
PANEL # 8	Track II - Local and Urban Governance in Africa
CHAIR	Bill Freund (School of Built Environment and Development Studies, University of KwaZulu/Natal, Durban, South Africa)
DISCUSSANTS	Genet Alem (International Planning Studies (IPS), Technical University of Dortmund, Germany) Tony Gore (Sheffield Hallam University, United Kingdom)
Thursday, September 5th 10:30 – 12:30 Room B	<p>SPATIAL PLANNING AND SOCIO-SPATIAL COHESION IN AN ISLAND CONTEXT: THE CASE OF CAPE VERDE Ivete Silves Ferreira* (INGT - National Institute of Land Management, Cape Verde) & Helga Barbosa Vicente* (INGT - National Institute of Land Management, Cape Verde)</p> <p>GENESIS AND URBAN EVOLUTION OF PRAIA IN CAPE VERDE Lourenço Conceição Gomes (Faculty of Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts, University of Cape Verde, Cape Verde)</p> <p>CADASTRAL INFORMATION SYSTEM FOR FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT. THE CASE OF PRAIA CITY Romualdo Barros Correia* (Faculty of Sciences and Technology, University of Cape Verde, Cape Verde); Loïc Grasland (Avignon Université, UMR ESPACE 7300, France) & Johnny Douvinet (Avignon Université, UMR ESPACE 7300, France)</p>
12:30 – 14:00	LUNCH (University Campus)
PANEL # 9	Track I - Local and Urban Governance and the New Global Urban Agendas
CHAIR	Ophir Pines Paz (Institute for Local Government, Faculty of Social Sciences, Tel Aviv University, Israel)
DISCUSSANTS	Ludek Sykora (Department of Social Geography and Regional Development, Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic) Andreea Loreta Cercleux (University of Bucharest, Romania)

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<p>Thursday, September 5th 14:00 – 15:45 Room A</p>	<p>GOVERNANCE OF JEWISH RELIGIOUS HERITAGE - THE EXAMPLES OF CITIES IN CENTRAL POLAND Andrzej Rykała* & Marek Barwiński* (Department of Political and Historical Geography and Regional Studies, University of Łódź, Poland)</p> <p>TRANSNATIONAL LOCAL AND URBAN MIGRANT GOVERNANCE: THE CASE OF INDIGENOUS MEXICAN MIGRANT COMMUNITIES IN LOS ANGELES Sascha Krannich (Siegen University, Germany)</p> <p>CROSS BORDER URBAN SPORT TOURISM EVENT: THE BETHLEHEM-JERUSALEM RUN Alon Gelbman (The Department of Tourism and Hotel Management, Kinneret Collage on the Sea of Galilee, Israel)</p> <p>FROM COMPREHENSIVE TO DIFFERENTIATED PLANNING REFORM THE CASE OF ISRAEL'S PERIPHERY Rassem Khamaisi (Department of Geography and Environmental Studies, University of Haifa, Israel)</p>
<p>PANEL #10</p>	<p>Track II - Local and Urban Governance in Africa</p>
<p>CHAIR</p>	<p>Verna Nel (University of the Free State, South Africa)</p>
<p>DISCUSSANTS</p>	<p>Bryan H. Massam (Department of Geography, York University, Toronto, Canada) Jaap de Visser (Dullah Omar Institute, University of the Western Cape, South Africa) Helga Barbosa Vicente (INGT - National Institute of Land Management, Cape Verde)</p>
<p>Thursday, September 5th 14:00 – 15:45 Room B</p>	<p>SOME RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES IN THREE URBAN AREAS IN CITY OF PRAIA, CAPE VERDE – DIFFERENCES BY GENDER AND AGE GROUP Daniela Alves, a-b; António Delgado*, c; Miguel Amado, d; Isabel Craveiro, a-b; Zélia Santos, a; Alexander Goggins, a; Artur Correia, e & Luzia Gonçalves, a-b-f (a - Unidade de Saúde Pública Internacional e Bioestatística, Instituto de Higiene e Medicina Tropical, IHMT, Universidade Nova de Lisboa, UNL, Lisboa, Portugal. b - Global Health and Tropical Medicine, GHMT, IHMT-UNL, Lisboa, Portugal. c - Comité de Coordenação Combate à SIDA, CCS-SIDA, Ministério da Saúde, Praia, Cabo Verde. d - Civil Engineering Research and Innovation for Sustainability, CERis, Instituto Superior Técnico, IST, Universidade de Lisboa, UL, Portugal. e- Direção Nacional da Saúde, Ministério da Saúde, Praia, Cabo Verde. f - Centro de Estatística e Aplicações da Universidade de Lisboa, UL, Lisboa, Portugal)</p> <p>HOUSING FOR THE PEOPLE, HOUSING FOR THE NEEDY Bill Freund (School of Built Environment and Development Studies, University of KwaZulu/Natal, Durban, South Africa)</p> <p>EXPOSING THE MISMATCH BETWEEN THE DRY WORLD OF POLICY AND THE REAL WORLD OF OPERATIONALISATION: A REFLECTION ON HOW HOUSING OFFICIALS HAVE ENGAGED WITH THE NATIONAL HOUSING CODE POLICY INSTRUMENTS IN SOUTH AFRICA Neil Klug (School of Architecture and Planning, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa)</p> <p>FIRST-CLASS AND SECOND-CLASS CITY DWELLERS? DISPARITY OF URBAN GOVERNANCE IN THE CONTEXT OF EXPROPRIATIONS IN CONAKRY Pascal Rey* & Margot Petitpierre* (IFSRA, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso)</p>

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16:00 – 18:30	STUDY VISIT 2: INFORMAL URBANIZATION
Meeting point (16:00)	University Campus main entrance ('Palmarejo Campus')
Coordination and guided tour	José Maria Semedo (University of Cape Verde, Cape Verde) Sílvia Monteiro (University of Cape Verde, Cape Verde) Romualdo Correia (University of Cape Verde, Cape Verde)
20:00	GROUP DINNER
FRIDAY– 6th September 2019	
PANEL # 11	Track I - Local and Urban Governance and the New Global Urban Agendas
CHAIR	Rassem Khamaisi (University of Haifa, Israel)
DISCUSSANTS	Jochen Franzke (Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences, University of Potsdam, Germany) Lech Suwala (Institut für Stadt-und Regionalplanung, Fachgebiet für Stadt-und Regionalökonomie Technische Universität Berlin, Germany) Tomasz Komornicki (Institute of Geography and Spatial Organization, Polish Academy of Sciences, Poland)
Friday, September 6th 8:00 – 10:00 Room A	<p>PAST AND CURRENT CHANGES IN THE LEGISLATIVE REGULATION OF THE STATUS OF URBAN SETTLEMENTS AND TERRITORIES IN RUSSIA: IMPLICATIONS FOR LOCAL SELF-GOVERNANCE Olga Glezer (Institute of Geography, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia)</p> <p>SIZE AND POSITION MATTERS: ISSUES AND CHALLENGES OF LOCAL DEVELOPMENT WITH A SPECIAL FOCUS ON POLARIZATION BETWEEN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN MAJOR URBAN AREAS AND PERIPHERAL REGIONS IN CZECHIA Ludek Sykora* (Department of Social Geography and Regional Development, Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic) & Jiřina Kocourkova* (Department of Demography and Geodemography, Faculty of Science, Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic)</p> <p>IS THE "GOOD" IN THE URBAN PARTICULARLY RURAL? Anne Allmrodt* & Raphael Singer* (Institute of Geography, University of Bamberg, Germany)</p> <p>HUMAN CAPITAL - SUPPORT OR CHALLENGE FOR RE-INDUSTRIALISATION OF ROMANIAN POST-SOCIALIST SMALL AND MEDIUM INDUSTRIAL TOWNS? Andreea Loreta Cercleux*; Ioan Ianoş*; Florentina Cristina Merciu; Irina Florea-Saghin; Mirela Paraschiv & Elena Bogan (University of Bucharest, Romania)</p> <p>HOW THE RICHEST INDUSTRIALIZED SMALL TOWNS BECAME THE POOREST? SEARCHING FOR EFFICIENT GOVERNANCE Ioan Ianoş*; Andreea Loreta Cercleux*; Mirela Paraschiv; Florentina Cristina Merciu; Irina Saghin & Andreea Manea Cosmina (Interdisciplinary Centre of Advanced Research on Territorial Dynamics, University of Bucharest, Romania)</p>
PANEL # 12	Track II - Local and Urban Governance in Africa
CHAIR	Pascal Rey (IFSRA, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso)



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DISCUSSANTS	<p>Bill Freund (School of Built Environment and Development Studies, University of KwaZulu/Natal, Durban, South Africa)</p> <p>Robert Home (Anglia Ruskin University, United Kingdom)</p>
Friday, September 6th 8:00 – 10:00 Room B	<p>CULTURE AND GOVERNANCE: SAFEGUARDING INTANGIBLE HERITAGE IN MULTILEVEL SCALE</p> <p>Maria Isabel Machado Lemos (Instituto Universitário de Lisboa - ISCTE, Portugal)</p> <p>LAND MANAGEMENT POLICY BEYOND THE “URBAN – RURAL” DIVIDE</p> <p>Genet Alem (International Planning Studies (IPS), Technical University of Dortmund, Germany)</p> <p>LAND CONFLICTS AND ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA – THE CASE OF BOTSWANA</p> <p>Faustin T. Kalabamu (Department of Architecture & Planning, University of Botswana, Botswana)</p> <p>“HIC MANENT LEONES” PROBLEMS AND OPPORTUNITIES OF AFRICAN CARTOGRAPHY</p> <p>Corrado Montagnoli (Università degli Studi di Milano, Italy)</p>
10:00 – 10:30	COFFEE-BREAK & INFORMAL NETWORKING
PANEL # 13	Track I - Local and Urban Governance and the New Global Urban Agendas
CHAIR	Bryan H. Massam (York University, Canada)
DISCUSSANTS	<p>Iwona Sagan (Department of Socio-Economic Geography, University of Gdańsk, Poland)</p> <p>Olga Glezer (Institute of Geography, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia)</p>
Friday, September 6th 10:30 – 12:30 Room A	<p>CIRCULAR ECONOMY A NEW CHALLENGE FOR URBAN GOVERNANCE</p> <p>Marek Degórski (Institute of Geography and Spatial Organization, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw, Poland)</p> <p>URBAN REGIONS SHIFTING TO CIRCULAR ECONOMY: UNDERSTANDING CHALLENGES FOR NEW WAYS OF GOVERNANCE</p> <p>Andreas Obersteg 1, Alessandro Arlati 1, Arianne Acke 2, Gilda Berruti 3, Konrad Czapiewski * 4, Marcin Dąbrowski 5, Erwin Heurkens 5, Cecília Mezei 6, Maria Federica Palestino 3, Viktor Varjú 6, Marcin Wójcik 7 and Jörg Knieling 1 (1 HafenCity University Hamburg, Germany; 2 OVAM—Public Waste Agency of Flanders, Belgium; 3 Department of Architecture, University of Naples Federico II, Italy; 4 IGPZ PAN—Institute of Geography and Spatial Organization, Poland; 5 Departments of Urbanism and Management in the Built Environment, Faculty of Architecture and the Built Environment, TU Delft, The Netherlands; 6 HAS Centre for Regional Studies, Hungary; 7 University of Łódź, Faculty of Geographical Sciences, Poland).</p> <p>A NOVEL MODE OF GOVERNANCE? (FAMILY) FIRMS, CORPORATE SPATIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND PLACE LEADERSHIP IN GERMAN SMALL TOWNS</p> <p>Lech Suwala* & Hans-Hermann Albers (Institut für Stadt-und Regionalplanung, Fachgebiet für Stadt-und Regionalökonomie Technische Universität Berlin, Germany)</p> <p>ACHIEVING LOCAL ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT THROUGH ENTREPRENEURSHIP AS A SOCIAL MOVEMENT: CHANGING THE WAY WE LIVE, WORK AND PLAY</p> <p>Jay Mitra * (Essex Business School, University of Essex, United Kingdom) & Su-Hyun Berg * (Independent Business Consultant, Flensburg, Germany)</p>

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	SOCIO-ECONOMIC PROCESSES AND SPATIAL PHENOMENA IN DISAPPEARING VILLAGES IN POLAND - CHALLENGES AND SOLUTIONS Jerzy Bański (Institute of Geography and Spatial Organization, Polish Academy of Sciences, Poland)
PANEL # 14	Track II - Local and Urban Governance in Africa
CHAIR	Helga Barbosa Vicente (INGT - National Institute of Land Management, Cape Verde)
DISCUSSANTS	Eric Ross (School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane, Morocco) Pascal Rey (IFSRA, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso)
Friday, September 6th 10:30 – 12:30 Room B	SPACE DYNAMICS AND URBAN TRANSPORT IN THE METROPOLITAN REGION OF MAPUTO (MOZAMBIQUE): A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS Constâncio Augusto Machanguana*; Pedro Verga Matos & Rui Brites (Lisbon School of Economics & Management, Universidade de Lisboa, Portugal) A COMMUNITY OF «GOOD CITIZENS»? URBAN DWELLERS AND CITY MANAGEMENT IN THE FOUR COMMUNES (SENEGAL, 1919-1939) Ndiouga Benga (History Department, University Cheikh Anta Diop, Dakar, Senegal) THE RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT, LAND AND AFRICAN URBAN GOVERNANCE Robert Home (Anglia Ruskin University, United Kingdom)
CONFERENCE CLOSING SESSION	
Friday, September 6th 12:30 – 12:45 Room A	José Maria Semedo (Chair of the Local Organization Commission & Conference co-Convenor) Carlos Nunes Silva (Chair of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance & Conference co-Convenor) Elvis Chantre (Dean of the Faculty of Sciences and Technology, University of Cape Verde)
13:00– 14:00	LUNCH
14:00 – 18:00	STUDY VISIT 3: Cidade Velha
Meeting point (14:00)	University Campus main entrance ('Palmarejo Campus')
Coordination and guided tour	José Maria Semedo (University of Cape Verde, Cape Verde) Lourenço Gomes (University of Cape Verde, Cape Verde)
SATURDAY 7th September 2019	
Saturday, September 7th 8:00 - 18:00	Post-Conference Excursion Meeting point (8:00): University Campus main entrance ('Palmarejo Campus') Coordination and guided tour: José Maria Semedo, Sílvia Monteiro, Vera Alfama, Romualdo Correia (University of Cape Verde)



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