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1. INTRODUCTION

The IGU Commission 'Geography of Governance' publishes two Newsletters every year, the first in June and the second in December. Newsletter 1/2021 reports the activities developed during the first semester (January-June 2021) and presents the activity plan for the following months. This is the second Newsletter of the new term (August 2020 - August 2024).

During the period reported in this Newsletter, the activities of the Commission have been affected by the restrictions associated with the Covid-19 Pandemic.

All in-person scientific meetings had to be converted to online. It was the case of our 2021 Annual Conference in Poznań, Poland, in June 2021, the IGU Thematic Conference on "Heritage Geographies: Politics, Uses and Governance of the Past", in Lecce, Italy, in May 2021, as well as the 34th International Geographical Congress "Geography: bridging the continents", in Istanbul, Turkey, which will take place in August 2021.

Despite the constraints imposed by the Covid-19 Pandemic, the Commission continued to work actively, enhancing the debate on local and urban governance and engaging on promoting the debate on the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on local and urban governance, on a global scale, through its collaborative research project, and through the organization of online sessions in several conferences, as described below.

The Commission also continued strongly committed to maintain its successful publishing activity in spite of all the adversities related to the pandemic. The recent publications by members of the Steering Committee, related to the core subject of the Commission, are listed below.

As before, the Commission will consider and discuss proposals for 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 with organisations outside the IGU.

Plans for the conferences to be held in 2022 are well under way. For the moment, we are certain of being present in the IGU Centennial Congress, in Paris, in July 2022, with several sessions, and in the 2022 AAG Annual Meeting, in New York. The details of our 2022 Annual Conference, expected to take place outside Europe, will be announced soon after the summer break.

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The work developed by our Commission members has been recognized by the Executive Committee of the International Geographical Union in June this year by nominating unanimously the Commission 'Geography of Governance' for the IGU Commissions Excellence Award 2020 (see Annex 11.6). We feel honoured for this distinction awarded by the IGU Executive Committee to us. We will continue to do our best to honour the responsibility associated with the Award.

2. STEERING COMMITTEE, AIMS, THEMES: 2020-2024

2.1 Steering Committee, 2020-2024

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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, in particular those that will emerge as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic crisis, 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, namely through digital tools.
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.

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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. Local government reforms
2. Urban and metropolitan governance
3. Local Government and the 2030 Agenda: 'localization' of the Sustainable Development Goals
4. Urban, local and regional government responses to the Covid-19 pandemic: lessons for building resilient territories
5. Decentralization and multi-layered governance: new relations between national, regional and local government in the post-pandemic
6. Digitalization of local government and Citizen e-Participation
7. Governance of spatial planning processes
8. Citizen participation in local and regional government
9. Administrative fragmentation and merger reforms
10. Decentralized cooperation and development
11. Inter-municipal cooperation
12. Cross-border municipal and regional cooperation
13. Climate change, the governance of complex environmental systems and the challenges for local action
14. Age-, disabled-, minorities, and gender-responsive approaches in urban, local and regional government policies
15. Administrative systems, housing, health services, and local public service delivery
16. Local government finance systems
7. Anthropocene: changes and challenges for urban, local and regional governance

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18. Governance in conflict and post-conflict areas
19. Transparency, accountability, good governance, and human rights 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 1/2021 the following activities have been developed:

- 3.1 Online communication tools
- 3.2 Digital Archive
- 3.3 Activity Plan 2021-2022
- 3.4 Membership
- 3.5 Organization of Conferences and other Meetings
- 3.6 Publications
- 3.7 Action Plan and Research Project focused on 'Local Government response towards the COVID-19 Pandemic'

3.1 Online communication tools. During the first semester of 2021 the online communication tools (website; electronic forum and mailing-list; blog) were updated and/or used for the dissemination of information.

- The IGU-CCoG 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 year the Commission will send, as is usual, to the IGU Central Archive, located in the Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography, Germany, the documents (PDF) related to its activities in 2021.

3.3 Activity Plan 2021-2022. The activity plan for the remaining period of 2021 and in 2022 includes a variety of initiatives (e.g., sessions organized by the Commission in the IGU main meetings, as is the case of the 34th IGC in Istanbul, in August 2021; the sessions in the 2001 AAG Annual Meeting; IGU CCoG 2021 Annual Conference, publications, and tentatively also joint research activities).

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3.4 Membership. The list of corresponding members is being updated in 2021. New members have been added after the 2021 Annual Conference in Poznan. A call for new corresponding members was launched, which had so far an excellent result. This call will continue open until end of the term (<https://forms.gle/aVnvSzTZyTGhNgZo8>).

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 the first semester 2021, 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 for the following months. Due to the restrictions to onsite meetings and international travels all these meetings had to be organized online and those in 2022 are being prepared with all these options open (in-person; online; mixed).

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 list of recent publications is available below.

3.7 Action Plan and Research Project focused on 'Local Government response towards the COVID-19 Pandemic'. The IGU Commission launched, on 25 March 2020, a collaborative Action Plan and research project focused on the 'Local Government response towards the COVID-19 Pandemic' as described below in section 7 of this Newsletter. Members of the Commission have been actively developing the project, and further outcomes, besides those already published, are expected in the coming months.

4. IGU Commissions Excellence Award 2020

The IGU Commissions Excellence Award Committee unanimously nominated the Commission “Geography of Governance” for the IGU Commissions Excellence Award 2020 (see Annex 11.7):

«The Commission “Geography of Governance” is very active and highly productive. It participates consistently in IGU Congresses and Conferences, organizing successful sessions on processes of governance worldwide. The Commission is exceptionally active, has a strong tradition of collaboration with IGU Commissions as well as organisations outside IGU. The Commission

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collaborated in 2020 with several IGU Commissions in the Thematic Conference on Geographies of Heritage, in Lecce (the thematic conference was later post-poned to 2021, because of the Covid emergence). The Commission has developed a diverse way of communication, internally and externally, through its website, newsletter and email list. The Commission has been also successful in publishing, producing a relevant list of titles, authored or edited by members of the Steering Committee. Moreover, the Commission launched, on 25 March 2020, a collaborative Action Plan and research project focused on the "Local Government response towards the COVID-19 Pandemic" (see <https://sites.google.com/view/igucgog-covid19/home>), an initiative of great importance for knowledge and research on public action to spatial reorganisation and disaster containment. The IGU Commissions Excellence Award Committee commends the Commission "Geography of Governance" for its excellent work.»

The IGU Commission 'Geography of Governance' will continue to do its best to honour the responsibility associated with the Award.

5. CONFERENCES IN 2021

5.1 - AAG 2021 Annual Meeting - Seattle, USA - April 7 - 11, 2021

The IGU CGoG organized 6 sessions under the title "Local Governance and the COVID-19 Pandemic: impacts, challenges, responses" (I to VI).

The aim of the session 'Local Governance and the COVID-19 Pandemic: impacts, challenges, responses' was to examine and discuss the impact of the pandemic on central-local government relations and on local government policies, on public services, housing, social services, mobility, and spatial planning. It discussed the actions taken by local government towards the COVID-19 pandemic, and its outcomes and impacts, during the first and second waves of the pandemic, as well as lessons for the future. The session addressed various aspects of the role of local government during the COVID-19 pandemic and its impacts, as well the ongoing changes in local governance systems in this context, namely changes associated with the use new digital technologies. The sessions discussed:

- What strategies, plans, policy measures, and actions have been adopted by local government to control and shape the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic locally and what has been its impact on the effects of the pandemic?

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- What strategies, plans, policy measures, and actions have been adopted by local government to tackle the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on health, on society and on the local economy?
- What strategies, plans, policy measures, and actions are local government employing to distribute resources and care among local populations, what cooperation with local community action networks and citizen initiatives during the pandemic?
- What changes have been introduced in central-local relations (decentralization / re-centralization), what innovations in multi-level governance have been tried to tackle more effectively the COVID-19 pandemic, what has been the role of inter-municipal cooperation and metropolitan government in this context, and what is being done through cross-border municipal and regional cooperation during the pandemic?
- What has been the role of technologies in local mobility, on remote work and education, and on surveillance through tracking and tracing the COVID-19 in urban areas?
- What local government strategies, policy measures, planning scenarios, and actions are being designed for the post COVID-19 crisis, namely towards building resilient, smart communities?

These 6 sessions were associated with the Action Plan developed by the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance - 'IGU-CGoG COVID-19 Action Plan' (for more information, see the commission website: <https://sites.google.com/view/igucgog-covid19/home>).

The sessions program is available in the Annex 11.3 (below).

For more information see the IGU CGoG website:
<https://sites.google.com/site/igugeogov/next-conferences>

5.2 - IGU Commission Geography of Governance Annual Conference, Poznań, Poland - June 2021

The 2021 Annual Conference of the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance on "New Challenges of Local Governance in Times of Uncertainty and Complexity", organized by the International Geographical Union (IGU) Commission on Geography of Governance, in collaboration with the Adam Mickiewicz University, was held in Poznań, Poland, on 23-25 June 2021. The conference was convened by: Tomasz Kaczmarek, member of the IGU CGoG Steering Committee and Professor in the Faculty of Human Geography and Planning, Adam Mickiewicz University, which also

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chaired the Conference Local Organization Commission; Paweł Churski, Dean of the Faculty of Human Geography and Planning, Adam Mickiewicz University; and Carlos Nunes Silva, Chair of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance.

The Annual Conference was a forum in which the state-of-the-art of research on urban, local, metropolitan and regional governance, in the different regions of the world, was explored. The Conference brought together researchers from academia and other sectors, who shared knowledge, viewpoints, methods, research outcomes and policy ideas. Local government and governance, urban policies and patterns of spatial change are of prime significance for the quality of life in human settlements. Public management at the urban, local, metropolitan and regional level is close to the people and their needs, and at the same time is strongly dependent on national policies and, in the case of Europe, also on the policy of the European Union. Various concepts and visions of the state clash in the world today, based either on neo-liberalism or on neo-populism or even post-democracy. They result from economic crises, political and ideological transformations, climate change, technological progress and recently also from pandemic threats. These concepts also affect the organization and functioning of local government, centralization and decentralization tendencies, and new forms of civic involvement and participation. The Conference was thus an excellent occasion for the discussion of these highly relevant issues. The Conference was organized in 5 tracks:

Track 1. Centralization and decentralization trends. Difficult paths of democracy

- Territorial-administrative reforms and their outcomes
- Changing relations between central government and local and regional authorities
- New forms of local democracy – public participation and citizens' involvement

Track 2. Governance and planning

- 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

Track 3. Local governance and climate change

- Climate change adaptation and mitigation in local and regional policies
- Emerging governance networks in managing climate change
- The concept of urban resilience in local development strategies

Track 4. Impacts and challenges of the Covid-19 pandemic on local government

- Local government during a pandemic - reactions and actions
- Responses of local government to the pandemic threats and outcomes
- Reshaping of organization of public services in the pandemic time

Track 5. Uncertainty and complexity in territorial governance

- Long-term foresight and future scenarios for strategic development of territorial units
- Innovative institutional arrangements for complex challenges of local governance

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- The financial situation of local and regional governments – trends and projections

More information is available in the conference website:

<https://sites.google.com/view/geogov2021/home> .

See also Annex 11.4 below.

5.3 IGU Thematic Conference, Lecce, Italy, May 2021

The IGU Thematic Conference - "Heritage Geographies: Politics, Uses and Governance of the Past" -, was held in Lecce, Italy, on 26 - 28 May 2021, co-organised by the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance and five other IGU Commissions.

Sessions and papers addressed 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 4 sessions.

See the program of these sessions proposed by the IGU-CGoG in Annex 11.5.

More information is available in the Commission website:

<https://sites.google.com/site/igugeogov/home>

5.4 - Tourism & World Heritage Sites: Recommendations For Better Synergies #2. In The Framework Of The Our world heritage Initiative

<https://www.ourworldheritage.org> . Panel 2.3. Interpretation and the diversification of narratives. Monday, February 8, 2021, 2:00 - 4:00 (CET). Interpretation narratives need to adopt a more diverse approach to include different and often opposing narratives. A more “pluriversal” approach is suggested by local communities and ethnic groups. Anna Trono (member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee) was engaged in this Initiative.

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5.5 - 34th International Geographical Congress, Istanbul, 16-20 August 2021

The IGU Commission on Geography of Governance participates with 14 sessions in the 34th International Geographical Congress "Geography: bridging the continents" to be held in Istanbul, Turkey, on 16 - 20 August 2021.

More information is available in the Commission website:

<https://sites.google.com/site/igugeogov/home> .

See also Annex 11.6 below.

5.6 - The 5th International Conference 'Urban e-Planning', Lisbon, Portugal, 7 - 10 September 2021

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 7 - 10 September 2021. The Conference addresses three main themes: 1. Governance and Planning of Smart Cities; 2. Citizen E-Participation in Urban Governance; 3. Urban e-Planning and the Covid-19 Pandemic. 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>

6. FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES: 2022

6.1 - AAG 2022 Annual Meeting - New York, USA _ 25.2.2022 - 1.3.2022

The IGU CGoG will organize several sessions. More information will be available soon in the Commission website.

6.2 - 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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Sessions can be proposed until 1 October 2021:

<https://www.ugiparis2022.org/en/sessionsubmission/5>

More information will be available in due time in the Commission website:

<https://sites.google.com/site/igugeogov/home>

6.3 IGU CGoG 2022 Annual Conference - September 2022

Information on the IGU - CGoG 2022 Annual Conference will be available soon in the Commission website: <https://sites.google.com/site/igugeogov/home>

6.4 - International Conference: "The Path of Abraham, Mosaic of Peace". Lecce-Trani, University of Salento & Archeoclub Trani, 3-4 September 2021.

The aim of the Conference is to present the project on the "Path of Abraham" to Puglia region, landing place of the sons of Abramo as many Mediterranean people. After the Pope's visit to Mosul in Iraq it seemed important to promote the path of Abraham and its mosaic of religions, starting from Puglia as a trait of union between Western Europe and other regions and to rediscover historical religious and cultural roots that we can meet along the regions protagonists of the journey.

6.5 - Plan for other meetings (workshops / conferences / panels)

We also aim to take part in other meetings in Europe, North America, South America, Asia, Oceania, and in Africa. This will take the form of sessions or 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.

Ilona Palné Kovács (member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee) will organize a Panel on 'Governance of peripheral areas' in the ERSA Annual Conference, in Pécs, Hungary, in August 2022.

The possibility to organize a meeting in Győr or Budapest, Hungary, in 2022, is being considered by Ilona Palné Kovács (member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee) and other colleagues, which will also pay homage to our colleague Mihály Lados (see 10 - Remembering), and who was expected to be part of the organization of a meeting of our Commission in 2022 in Hungary.

More information in the coming Newsletters and in the Commission website.



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7. RESEARCH PROJECT - 'Local Government Response Towards the COVID-19 Pandemic' - IGU Commission on Geography of Governance (IGU-CGoG)

The IGU-CGoG COVID-19 Action Plan - "Local Government Response Towards Covid-19 Pandemic: Strategies, Plans, Actions, Outcomes, Impacts. A Worldwide Survey and Comparison" - launched by the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance, on 25 March 2020, two weeks after the World Health Organization informed, on 11 March 2020, that the COVID-19 could be characterized as a pandemic, aims to collect and to curate a list of resources related to the strategies, plans, policy measures, and actions taken by local government towards the COVID-19 pandemic, around the world, and its outcomes and impacts.

The IGU-CGoG COVID-19 Action Plan has three main goals:

1. First, to collect evidence of the strategies, plans, policy measures, and actions taken by local government around the world towards the COVID-19 pandemic, making it available to all, as soon as possible, in its website, in a way that this information can still be useful during the current pandemic.
2. Second, to promote joint comparative research on the responses of local government towards the COVID-19 pandemic, its outcomes and impacts, and lessons for the future, to be carried out by members of the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance, and other interested partners, as soon as possible in the coming months.
3. Third, to present, discuss, and publish the outcomes of the comparative research on the worldwide responses of local government towards the COVID-19 pandemic. Specific meetings and/or panels, as well as publications, will be considered in the 2021 and 2022 activity plans of the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance.

The "IGU-CGoG COVID-19 Action Plan" aims to address the following research questions:

1. What strategies, plans, policy measures, and actions have been adopted by local government to control and shape the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic locally?
2. What strategies, plans, policy measures, and actions have been adopted by local government to tackle the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on health, on society and on the local economy?
3. What strategies, plans, policy measures, and actions are local government employing to distribute resources and care among local populations and what

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cooperation with local community organizations and citizen initiatives during the pandemic?

4. What has been the relationship between local government strategies, plans, policy measures, and actions towards COVID-19 pandemic and public behaviour?

5. How has local government strategies, plans, policy measures, and actions towards COVID-19 impacted on the effects of the pandemic?

6. How effective were different local government strategies, plans, policy measures, and actions, taken in different countries worldwide, in reducing the local spread of COVID-19?

7. What changes have been introduced in central-local relations (decentralization / re-centralization) and what innovations in multi-level governance have been tried to tackle more effectively the COVID-19 pandemic?

8. What has been the role of inter-municipal cooperation and metropolitan government in this context?

9. What is being done through cross-border municipal and regional cooperation during the pandemic?

10. What local government strategies, plans, policy measures, and actions are being designed, in different countries worldwide, for the post COVID-19 crisis?

The stage 1 of this Action Plan consisted in the organization of a 'Worldwide Inventory of Local Government Actions towards the COVID-19 Pandemic' in March-April 2020. All countries in the world have a presence in this online repository of websites/portals with information on the national or city policies (responses) being developed by governments and cities across the world. This page compiles resources and information on local government strategies, plans, policy measures and actions towards the COVID-19 pandemic. This information can be accessed through the links available here: <https://sites.google.com/view/igucgog-covid19/local-government-survey>

The stage 2 of this Action Plan consists in the preparation of a series of individual contributions on specific countries or cities. These case studies started during the lockdown/confinement months, focused on the broad theme 'Local Government Response Towards Covid-19 Pandemic'. The full set of these studies will be published by Springer in the Local and Urban Governance Book Series.

The project publishes country and local studies (on municipalities, cities, metropolitan areas, regions, and other geographies) in its website: <https://sites.google.com/view/igucgog-covid19/country-reports-and-local-studies>, namely in the form of Working-Papers: <https://sites.google.com/view/igucgog-covid19/working-papers>. Other publication options for the outputs of the project

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have also been considered. A special issue in the International Journal of E-Planning Research (IJEPR) has already been published. More information available in the project website: <https://sites.google.com/view/igucgog-covid19/home>

Collaboration in this Action Plan is open to all members of the IGU Commission on Geography of Governance (Steering Committee and Corresponding Members) and to anyone interested on these themes. For additional information, please contact us: igu.geogov@gmail.com

8. OTHER ACTIVITIES BY COMMISSION MEMBERS

Expertise for Hungarian Local-government Association on main directions of local government reform in Hungary, by Ilona Pálné Kovács (*Member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee*).

The four years EU Horizon 2020 research project 'Resituating the local in cohesion and territorial development' – RELOCAL, with the participation of Peter Schmitt (*Member of the IGU-CGoG Steering Committee*), has just been finalised. More info at www.relocal.eu. RELOCAL has aimed to identify factors that condition local accessibility of European policies, local abilities to articulate needs and equality claims and local capacities for exploiting European opportunity structures. The project was based on case studies of local contexts (cities and their regions) that exemplify development challenges in terms of spatial justice. The principal rationale of the RELOCAL project has been to contribute to conceptually and empirically enhancing the knowledge base on spatial justice and territorial inequalities and thus to identifying policies promoting spatial justice and socio-economic well-being at various levels of governance.

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10. REMEMBERING

We received recently sad news about two esteemed colleagues and long term members of the IGU Commission Geography of Governance, Mihály Lados, from Hungary, and Petr Dostál, from the Czech Republic. On behalf of the Commission, we express our gratitude to Mihály and to Petr for their valuable contribution to our Commission. Ilona Pálné Kovács wrote the remembering note on Mihály, Max Barlow and Jan Bucek wrote on Petr.



Mihály Lados (1961-2021). It is with great sadness that we inform you that our Hungarian member Mihály Lados passed away on 20th April. He had been hospitalised with Covid-19 since early March. Mihály was a Senior Research Fellow at the Centre for Economic and Regional Studies (CERS), and associate professor and head of department at Széchenyi István University, in Győr, Hungary. He graduated as an economist at University of Pécs and also passed MSc course on urban management at University of Rotterdam. He passed his PhD in 1995. His research fields were local finance, smart cities, climate change, urban development, having more than 100 publications. He was very active in international projects and cooperations as leader of many consortia and member of various scientific organisations. Mihály was a popular teacher, having several PhD students. His nice human mentality and energy will be missed both as a committed scientific colleague and as an active member of our Commission.

Ilona Pálné Kovács



Petr Dostál (1947-2021). Prominent Czech geographer, professor at Charles University in Prague, and our Commission member, Professor Petr Dostál passed away peacefully on Monday 1 June 2021, at the age of 74. Petr Dostal grew up in northern Czechia. He started to study geography at Charles University in 1965. As an active supporter of “Prague Spring” and as a strong opponent of the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia, he emigrated to the Netherlands, in September 1968. Here he finished his studies in geography (M.A in Groningen, PhD in Amsterdam University). Since this period of life, he was influenced by the Netherlands and Scandinavian geography and social thinking (e.g. W. Heinemeijer; J. Lambooy, T. Hagerstrand, G. Myrdal). From 1972 to 1998, he worked at the University of Amsterdam as an assistant professor and associate professor focusing on social and economic geography. Immediately after the “velvet revolution” (1989), he re-established his linkages to that time Czechoslovakia, and later Czechia, including geography at Charles University. He initiated a series of projects that addressed the post-socialist transition, including public administration reorganisations, also thanks to the support provided by the Dutch government that he arranged. Since this period, we could observe his deep connection to the Commission activities and its increasing attention to post-socialist countries and their reforms. He initiated a series of books that contributed to the formation of reform thinking in this part of Europe (mainly in co-operation e.g. with R. J. Bennett, M. Barlow, M. Hampl), accompanied by a set of meetings and conferences he organised. He actively participated in Commission Steering Committee for a pretty long period from 1992 to 2008. He participated in numerous Commission events until his death, especially at our conferences, as an excellent session chair, discussant and paper presenter. Professor Petr Dostal fully returned to Czechia and Charles University in 1998 and worked in economic, social, and political geography as a full professor. Later on, his interests also shifted to risk processes, culture geography, and European integration. He managed a set of large research projects, edited several books, and shaped the Czech research environment working in their leading research grant agencies. He also served as a governmental advisor. He substantially contributed to the formation of a new generation of Czech geographers

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and social scientists, not only at his “home” university but also thanks to his teaching and research activities at Prague University of Economics and J. E. Purkyně University in Ústí nad Labem (northern Czechia). Petr Dostál was a critical and original thinker, full of energy, always prepared to discuss many issues. Petr found and enjoyed a nice place to live near Prague. He liked to travel and since his student times had a passion for mountaineering in traditional meaning as “alpinism” (we could share his extensive personal experiences with the Alps, e.g. during our Commission conferences in Switzerland). Our sincere gratitude to Petr Dostál for his contribution to our Commission.

Ján Bucek

Remembering Petr Dostál. I was saddened to hear of the death of our colleague Petr Dostál several weeks ago. Petr was a very active participant in the activities of the Commission, especially in its early years. He was also a significant influence in the development and direction of the Commission. We worked together closely while I was Chair of the Commission and he was a Member of the Steering Committee, especially in the first half of the 1990s. In remembering Petr and his work I choose to focus on this time.

I first met Petr in 1989, during his Amsterdam years, but only briefly during a small conference. Soon after, in 1990, I spent several months in the Department of Geography at the University of Amsterdam during which we became close friends and he sparked an interest in the revolutionary changes occurring in Czechoslovakia (and also introduced me to Pilsner Urquell beer). This led to a collaboration that lasted several years and it coincided with a developing Commission focus on post-1989 Central and Eastern Europe. We produced three edited volumes, which were based on three conferences organised by Petr, and in close association with our Commission - the IGU Commission on Geography and Public Administration, as it then was called.

The first conference was held at Bechyne Castle in South Bohemia in October 1990, and I think this was one of the most exciting, intensive, and challenging conferences I ever attended. The excitement came from the fact that it was not even a full year since the Velvet Revolution ended. The intensity came from the fact that we were a group of approximately twenty people working together in a relatively small (often smoke-filled) room for almost a week. The challenge came from Petr's goal of bringing together Czech researchers and public administration practitioners with a group of international researchers. As international researchers we were to be informed with regard to changes that were under way and with regard to challenges that were now being faced, and then to respond by bringing international perspectives to bear on the challenges being faced. We were asked not to bring any papers for presentation. Instead, we spent the first two days listening to and learning from our Czech colleagues. On Day 3 we 'visitors' were confined to



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a large work room where each of us was to prepare a short written presentation in response to what we had learned during the first two days (Bob Bennett has reminded me that the German typewriters were an added challenge for us). On the last two days we presented our responses for discussion. This conference led to publication (in 1992) of 'Changing Territorial Administration in Czechoslovakia: International Viewpoints'. The second conference was held in 1992, in North Bohemia at Mala Skala Chateau, near Liberec. This led to publication (in 1994) of 'Territory, Society and Administration: The Czech Republic and the Industrial Region of Liberec'. The third conference took place in 1993 in Prague at the fledgling Central European University, and led to the publication (in 1994) of 'Development and Administration of Prague'.

These three books - taken together - reflected the speed and significance of political and societal changes occurring in a very short period of time. This was nicely recognized in Petr's Preface in the third book. He suggested that the first book "had its inception in a period of historically unique post-communist euphoria"; the second book arose in a "post-euphoric" time; and the third book reflected challenges associated with "market-driven socio-economic development of regions". Later in the 1990s we often revisited these books in our discussions and deliberations - usually referred to by the colours of their covers: the Blue Book, the Green Book, and the Red Book.

Petr introduced the Commission to several distinguished scholars who had been working in pre-1989 Prague. In his earlier email message, Bob particularly mentions contributions from Martin Hampl, and I would add Jiri Musil, distinguished urban sociologist, who was one of the founding members of The Central European University in Prague. He attended a number of our conferences, and helped us steer our way through our intensive conference at Bechyne Castle. Petr also introduced the Commission to several young 'new' scholars - post-graduate students at the time - and it is nice to note that two of them are now Department Heads at Charles University: Tomas Kucera (Department of Demography and GeoDemography) and Jiri Blazek (Department of Social Geography and Regional Development). Petr was an outstanding mentor to post-graduate students, and I remember one occasion when he arranged for three or four members of the Geography Department at University of Amsterdam to visit Prague for a few days in order to hear and respond to presentations from about 20 students in connection with their research proposals. Through Petr and his senior and junior colleagues and his students I came to feel a distinct sense of place at Charles University, identifiable by the street address of Geography. I will always remember my many, many, visits to 'Albertov 6'.

I have a distinct memory of a significant event of importance to Petr in those years. In June of 1992 he took a small group of us visiting colleagues to have beer and dinner in a historic pub (Pivnice U Hrocha), directly below Prague Castle. At the time the negotiations for the division of Czechoslovakia were in final stages. Throughout the evening Petr and most people in the pub were keenly watching a small television high on the wall, which was showing live coverage of events unfolding in the Castle above us and in Bratislava. At one point there was an official announcement that an agreement had been reached, and the so-



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called Velvet Divorce would begin. There was a strong 'sense of moment' in an unfolding drama of history, and for Petr it was clearly an emotional occasion.

I last met Petr at the IGU Congress in Koln in 2012. He had not been well, but he was still keenly interested in the work of the Commission, and in the politics of the IGU. I had not seen him for almost ten years. By then I was long into 'retirement mode' and we had drifted apart. However we had a nice long 'catch-up' chat in which we touched upon the Blue, Green, and Red Books, and shared memories of Bechyne, Mala Skala, and Albertov 6.

Max Barlow

11. ANNEXES

11.1 ANNEX

IGU Commission on Geography of Governance, 2020-2024

(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

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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 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 and half 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



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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 (1984-2020) is available in the website.

Colleagues interested in the Commission activities are welcome to contact the Commission Chair, Carlos Nunes Silva (University of Lisbon, Portugal, e-mail: cs@campus.ul.pt)

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11.3 ANNEX - AAG 2021 Annual Meeting - Seattle, USA - April 7 - 11, 2021



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(V) - <https://aag.secure-abstracts.com/AAG%20Annual%20Meeting%202021/sessions-gallery/27505>

SESSION VI - Local Governance and the COVID-19 Pandemic: impacts, challenges, responses

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Carlos Nunes Silva University of Lisbon, Portugal	Chair / Introduction
Verna Nel University of the Free State, South Africa	The South African Local Government response to Covid 19
Philip Harrison*, , Margot Rubin, <i>University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg</i> , Robin Moore, <i>Gauteng City Region Observatory</i> , Graeme Gotz, <i>Gauteng City Region Observatory</i> , South Africa	COVID-19 as a diagnostic lens? Pandemic governance in the Gauteng City-Region, South Africa
Francis Koti Middle Tennessee State University, USA	Post Covid-19 African Cities: Towards a new Face of the Informal Sector
Tathagata Chatterji*, <i>Xavier University Bhubaneswar</i> , Souvanic Roy, <i>Indian Institute of Engineering, Science and Technology, Shibpur, India</i>	Local Governance and Pandemic - Comparison of Covid Response of Two Indian Cities
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Ugo Rossi Gran Sasso Science Institute, Italy	Towards a peripheral tech urbanism? Governing urban economies under a state of emergency
Mildred Warner*, <i>Cornell University</i> , Xue Zhang, <i>Cornell University</i> , USA	Which States and Cities Protect Residents from Water Shutoffs in the COVID-19 Pandemic?
Etienne Nel University of Otago, New Zealand	Local Government Response to the impact of Covid-19 in New Zealand: Evidence from centres dependent on international tourism and migrant workers.
Jan Seitz*, <i>University of Applied Sciences Wildau</i> , Frank Gillert, <i>University of Applied Sciences Wildau</i> , Margit Scholl, <i>University of Applied Sciences Wildau</i> , Marcus Frohme, <i>University of Applied Sciences Wildau</i> , Jörg Reiff-Stephan, <i>University of Applied Sciences Wildau</i> , Lars Radke, <i>University of Applied Sciences Wildau</i> , Regina Schuktomow, <i>University of Applied Sciences Wildau</i> University of Applied Sciences Wildau, Germany	Lessons from the Corona Crises for SMEs in Germany: Implementation of Effective Operational Pandemia Planning

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SESSION - III • Local Governance and the COVID-19 Pandemic: impacts, challenges, responses (III)	
Carlos Nunes Silva University of Lisbon, Portugal	Chair / Introduction
Valentina Erminia Albanese* University of Bologna, Italy	Digital Surveillance Technologies: geographies of the surveillant present during the pandemic. The Italian case
Pamela Robinson*, Ryerson University, Peter Johnson*, University of Waterloo, Canada	Pandemic-Driven Technology Adoption: Public Decision Makers Need to Tread Cautiously
Teresa Graziano University of Catania, Italy	Digitalization, new settlement patterns and territorial divides: smart working in times of (post)pandemics. A view from Italy
Maxim Efremov*, IG RAS, Nikolay Kazantsev, Institute of geography of the Russian Academy of Sciences (IGRAS), Moscow, Russian Federation, Pavel Grishin, Institute of geography of the Russian Academy of Sciences (IGRAS), Moscow, Russian Federation, Fleis Mariya, Institute of geography of the Russian Academy of Sciences (IGRAS), Moscow, Russian Federation, Titov German, Institute of geography of the Russian Academy of Sciences (IGRAS), Moscow, Russian Federation	« GIS solutions for local and regional management in the context of the spread of COVID-19 as a burst of bad spatial data»
Zhuoya Kang, University of Melbourne, Australia	Information technology- a data-driven response to COVID-19 in China
SESSION - IV • Local Governance and the COVID-19 Pandemic: impacts, challenges, responses (IV)	
Carlos Nunes Silva University of Lisbon, Portugal	Chair / Introduction
Paulo Nascimento Neto, Pontifica Universidade Católica do Parana, Brazil	Social distancing and the role of local policies in Curitiba (Brazil): a preliminary analysis
Ángel Iglesias*, University Rey Juan Carlos, Roberto L. Barbeito, University Rey Juan Carlos, Spain	Covid 19 and the Local Governance Response in Spain: A Preliminary Analysis
Ramon Galindo Caldés*, Open University of Catalonia, Joan Tort Donada, University of Barcelona, Albert Santasusagna Riu, University of Barcelona, Spain	Public policies beyond administrative boundaries: Territorial divisions and COVID-19 in Catalonia (Spain)
Dana Dobric Jambrovic, University of Rijeka, Faculty of Law, Croatia	Inadequate administrative-territorial division as a reason for inefficient provision of local public services in Croatia
SESSION - V • Local Governance and the COVID-19 Pandemic: impacts, challenges, responses (V)	
Carlos Nunes Silva University of Lisbon 90104819	Chair / Introduction
Grant McKenzie*, McGill University, Canada &	A country comparison of place-based activity response to

Benjamin Adams, <i>University of Canterbury, New Zealand</i>	COVID-19 policies
Kristin Smette Gulbrandsen*, <i>Lund University, Sweden</i>	Centralisation, expertise, and emergency preparedness: Why the coronavirus pandemic gained a centre-periphery dimension in Norway
Almila Akdağ Salah, <i>Utrecht University, Eda Yucesoy*, Istanbul Technical University, Özge Sivrikaya, Marmara Municipalities Union, Görsev Arğin, Marmara Municipalities Union, Association of Urban and Society Studies, Büşra İnce, Marmara Training and Organization, Istanbul, Turkey</i>	Navigating the pandemic : Local government responses in the Marmara Region, Turkey
Xiaoling Chen <i>University of Colorado, Boulder, USA</i>	COVID-19 Containment in China: A Foucauldian Analysis
SESSION - VI • Local Governance and the COVID-19 Pandemic: impacts, challenges, responses (VI)	
Carlos Nunes Silva <i>University of Lisbon, Portugal</i>	Chair / Introduction
Lukasz Mikula* & Tomasz Kaczmarek Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan, Poland	The presidential elections in Poland during the Covid-19 pandemic. The unexpected challenge for political actors and relations between central and local government
Tony Gore <i>Sheffield Hallam University, United Kingdom</i>	Resources, Capacities and Power Relations: An Overview of Local Government Responses to Covid-19 in the UK
Vít Pászto*, Jaroslav Burian, <i>Palacký University Olomouc, Czech Republic</i>	Covid-19 pandemic in Czechia –governmental and spatial perspectives
Carlos Nunes Silva, <i>University of Lisbon, Portugal</i>	Local Government response to Covid 19 in Portugal

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11.4 ANNEX - IGU CGoG Annual Conference 2021 - New Challenges of Local Governance in Times of Uncertainty and Complexity, Poznań, Poland, 23-25 June 2021.

<https://sites.google.com/view/geogov2021/>



New Challenges of Local Governance in Times of Uncertainty and Complexity. Annual Conference

International Geographical Union,
Commission on Geography of Governance
Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań, Poland
23-24 June 2021



PROGRAM & ABSTRACTS

Day 1 (Wednesday - 23.06.2021)

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9:00 – 9:30	Official opening	
9:30-11:15	Governance and planning #1	Local government and local communities
11:15-11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11:30-13:15	Governance and planning #2	Uncertainty and complexity in governance
13:15-14:15	<i>Lunch break</i>	

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14:15-16:00	Governance and planning #3	Governance and climate change
16:00-16:15	Coffee break	
16:15-18:00	Governance and planning #4	Governance and public participation

Day 2 (Thursday – 24.06.2021)

Hours	Channel 1 / Sessions	Channel 2 / Sessions
9:00-10:45	Governance and Covid-19 #1	Centralization and decentralization
10:45-11:15	Coffee break	
11:15-13:00	Governance and Covid-19 #2	Governance and urban regeneration
13:00-14:00	Lunch break	
14:00-15:45	Governance and Covid-19 #3	Smart governance, green governance
15:45-16:00	Coffee break	
16:00-17:25	Governance and Covid-19 #4	Governance and social innovation
17:30-18:30	Closing session	

SESSIONS

Day 1 (Wednesday - 23.06.2021)

Channel 1

Governance and planning #1 (9:30 – 11:15)

Chair of the session: Paweł Churski			
9:30-9:50	Sabine Weck & Peter Schmitt	<u>Approaching spatial justice in local development actions: an investigation into procedural promoters and inhibitors in relation to the perceived outcomes</u>	Sweden
9:50-10:10	Simone Piras, Paulina Tobiasz-Lis, Margaret Dudek, Dominic Duckett, Andrew Copus	<u>A hybrid Theory of Change scenario tool to assess place-based interventions addressing spatial justice</u>	UK
10:10-10:30	Tamara Espiñeira	<u>From city to urban diplomacy: urban planning and active subsidiarity in the EU scene.</u>	France
10:30-10:50	May East	<u>Bridging the urban planning gender gap-seeking policy coherence between SDG 5 and SDG 11</u>	United Kingdom

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10:50-11:15	Discussion
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Governance and planning #2 (11:30 – 13:15)

Chair of the session: Peter Schmitt			
11:30-11:50	Carlos Nunes Silva	<u>Citizen Participation In Urban Planning In Portugal 1920 - 2020</u>	Portugal
11:50-12:10	Andy Yuille	<u>Identity, legitimacy, and local governance: neighbourhood planning and beyond</u>	United Kingdom
12:10-12:30	Beatriz Santos	<u>Digital tools to improve governance in urban planning</u>	Spain
12:30-12:50	Pascal Rey, Margot Petitpierre	<u>Stakeholders' engagement in large-scale infrastructure: a way of local governance in territorial planification. Examples in Guinea</u>	Burkina-Faso
12:50-13:15	Discussion		

Governance and planning #3 (14:15 – 16:00)

Chair of the session: Łukasz Mikuła			
14:15-14:35	András Donát Kovács, Tamás Hardi, Jenő Zsolt Farkas,	<u>Land use management as a challenge for local governance</u>	Hungary
14:35-14:55	Joanna Maria Koszewska	<u>Comparison of French and Polish Urban Planning Policies and Tools to Address Contemporary Complexity in Cities</u>	Poland
14:55-15:15	Andreea Raluca Slave	<u>Insights from Public Comments over Romania's Zonal Urban Plans</u>	Romania
15:15-15:35	Zoltán Pámer	<u>Overview of territorial governance and territorial integration in development documents of Baranya county, since the EU accession to date</u>	Hungary
15:35-16:00	Discussion		

Governance and planning #4 (16:15 – 18:00)

Chair of the session: Axel Priebs			
16:15-16:35	Michał Kwiatkowski, Elżbieta Grzelak-Kostulska,	<u>The bicycle-sharing system as a tool for the integration of the metropolitan area</u>	Poland

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	Jadwiga Biegańska		
16:35-16:55	Stella Schroeder, Trinidad Fernandez' Sonja Stoeffler	<u>New guidelines for sustainable and smart city planning strategies at local level</u>	Peru
16:55-17:15	Stephanus Minnie Verna Nel	<u>Can mutual adjustment be achieved between spheres of government to enable spatial planning for Local Government in South Africa?</u>	South Africa
17:15-17:35	Stefania Środa-Murawska, Leszek S. Dąbrowski, Paweł Smoliński	<u>Abandoned spaces as a catalyst for a new form of citizen's involvement in land use planning</u>	Poland
17:35-18:00	Discussion		

Channel 2

Local government and local communities (9:30 – 11:15)

	Chair of the session: Eran Razin		
9:30-9:50	Yosuke Maeda	<u>How did non-contiguous municipalities merge in Japan's great Heisei mergers?</u>	Japan
9:50-10:10	Axel Priebes	<u>Small towns and their surroundings in the context of local government reorganisation. The case of Schleswig-Holstein (Germany)</u>	Germany
10:10-10:30	Stephanus Minnie Verna Nel	<u>Can the District Development Model deliver development in South African Local Government?</u>	South Africa
10:30-10:50	Ophir Pines-Paz & Orit Shoet Radom	<u>Study on Communication between the Tel Aviv-Yaffo Municipality and its Residents During Crisis</u>	Israel
10:50-11:15	Discussion		

Uncertainty and complexity in local governance (11:30 – 13:15)

	Chair of the session: Ophir Pines-Paz		
11:30-11:50	Elle Butterworth	<u>"It's a wicked problem": Negotiating risk and uncertainty in the UK's local</u>	United Kingdom

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		air quality response	
11:50-12:10	Rony Emmenegger	<u>Nuclear Waste Governance: Deliberation and the Dilemma of Expertise</u>	Switzerland
12:10-12:30	Felipe da Silva Machado	<u>Rural resilience and local governance in times of intensive urbanisation: the complexity and uncertainty of farming in metropolitan Brazil</u>	Brazil
12:30-12:50	Jadwiga Biegańska, Elżbieta Grzelak-Kostulska, Dariusz Sokołowski, Mirek Dymitrow	<u>Should I stay or should I go? Polish suburbs vs. social expectations</u>	Poland
12:50-13:15	Discussion		

Governance and climate change (14:15 – 16:00)

	Chair of the session: Andrzej Mizgajski		
14:15-14:40	Wolfgang Haupt Peter Eckersley Kristine Kern	<u>How can 'ordinary' cities become climate pioneers?</u>	Germany
14:40-15:05	Patryk Kaczmarek	<u>Engaging citizens in climate change adaptation and mitigation. A case study of Poznan Metropolitan Area.</u>	Poland
15:05-15:30	Luigi Santopietro, Francesco Scorza	<u>The Covenant of Mayors implementation in small Italian Municipalities: building an integrated and climate-responsive urban vision</u>	Italy
15:30-16:00	Discussion		

Governance and public participation (16:15 – 18:00)

	Chair of the session: Tomasz Kaczmarek		
16:15-16:35	Łukasz Damurski, Agnieszka Szumilas, Paweł Pach	<u>Organizational Learning through Participatory Budgeting: Introductory Remarks</u>	Poland
16:35-16:55	Edyta Bąkowska-Waldmann	<u>PPGIS – towards empowerment or manipulation of society?</u>	Poland
16:55-17:15	Umut Kienast-Duyar	<u>Potentials and Challenges of Co-design and Co-production of Space in a Multi-</u>	Germany

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		layered VUCA Environment	
17:15-17:35	Ewelina Lopata	Human capital as a remedy for the challenges of the modern world - the role of social participation in the creation of an intelligent city.	Poland
17:35-18:00	Discussion		

Day 2 (Thursday – 24.06.2021)

Channel 1

Governance and COVID-19 #1 (9:00 – 10:45)

	Chair of the session: Yosuke Maeda		
9:00-9:25	Anna Trono	Italian government response to the coronavirus outbreak in support of the cultural and creative sectors	Italy
9:25-9:50	Tony Gore, Emma Bimpson, Julian Dobson and Steve Parkes	Alternative Governance Paradigms in Local Government Responses to Covid-19 in the UK	United Kingdom
9:50-10:15	Jonathan Hopkins	Estimating local-level resilience to the impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic: an analysis in rural Scotland	UK
10:15-10:45	Discussion		

Governance and COVID-19 #2 (11:15 – 13:00)

	Chair of the session: Ilona Pálné Kovács		
11:15-11:35	Ján Buček	Local self-government and governance during Covid-19 pandemic in Slovakia	Slovakia
11:35-11:55	Zoltán Hajdú	Are the concepts gaining a new meaning?	Hungary
11:55-12:15	Laszló Kákai	Reform experiences in Hungary in the shadow of the Covid epidemic	Hungary
12:15-12:35	Tomasz Kaczmarek Łukasz Mikuła	Presidential Elections in Poland during the Covid-19 Pandemic: An Unexpected Challenge for Political Actors and the Relationship between National Government and Local Government	Poland

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12:35-13:00	Discussion
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Governance and COVID-19 #3 (14:00 – 15:45)

Chair of the session: Tony Gore			
14:00-14:20	Eran Razin	The Corona and the Arnona: Implications of the Coronavirus Pandemic on Finance and Planning in Israel's Local government	Israel
14:20-14:40	Dana Dobric	The Role Of Croatian Local Units In The Covid-19 Pandemic	Croatia
14:40-15:00	Lucia Leboto-Khetsi Verna Nel	The Local Governance of Covid-19: Insight from Lesotho's Response and Mitigation	Italy
15:00-15:20	Savaş Zafer Şahin Özgür Sayın	Municipality-Orchestrated Solidarity in Pandemic Times: Lessons from Ankara Metropolitan Municipality	Turkey
15:20-15:45	Discussion		

Governance and COVID-19 #4 (16:00 – 17:25)

Chair of the session: Verna Nel			
16:00-16:20	Rocío Rosales Ortega Ixshel Delgado Campos	Mexico City: COVID-19 pandemic and challenges for local governance.	Mexico
16:20-16:40	Katia Magdalena Lozano Uvario Rocio Rosales Ortega	Jalisco against COVID-19: local governance and response to the health and economic emergency	Mexico
16:40-17:00	Carlos Nunes Silva	Local government response to the COVID-19 Pandemic	Portugal
17:00-17:25	Discussion		

Channel 2

Centralization and decentralization (9:00 – 10:45)

Chair of the session: Ján Buček			
9:00-9:20	Ilona Pálné Kovács	Is it the time to centralize?	Hungary
9:20-9:40	Vladimir Klimanov	Trends in Fiscal Decentralization in Russia under Covid-19	Russia

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9:40-10:00	Edith Somlyódyne Pfeil	<u>Corporatisation or Co-creation of Values in Public Service Provision in the Local Government Sector – Convergence and Divergence in the Hungarian Trajectory from European Perspective</u>	Hungary
10:00-10:20	Hugo Estecahandy	<u>Centralisation of power and decentralisation technology. Critical analysis of the implementation of blockchain technology in e-voting solutions in the city of Moscow (Russia)</u>	France
10:20-10:45	Discussion		

Governance and urban regeneration (11:15 – 13:00)

	Chair of the session: Krzysztof Stachowiak		
11:15-11:35	Przemysław Ciesiółka	<u>Regeneration strategies in shrinking medium-sized cities in Central and Eastern Europe. The case of Poland.</u>	Poland
11:35-11:55	Agnes Matoga	<u>The Emergence of Experimental Governance in Shrinking Cities: Active Citizenship as a Stop-Gap for Uncertainty?</u>	Germany
11:55-12:15	Anat Litwin	<u>Resident-city: The urban agency of home-based art residencies</u>	Israel
12:15-12:35	Monika Murzyn-Kupisz	<u>Is there a need for territorial government policies towards spaces and initiatives linked with fashion?</u>	Poland
12:35-13:00	Discussion		

Smart governance, green governance (14:00 – 15:45)

	Chair of the session: Carlos Nunes Silva		
14:00-14:20	Elżbieta Grzelak-Kostulska, Jadwiga Biegańska, Ewa Cieślík, Stefania Środa-Murawska	<u>Smart governance: Is it already working in Polish suburbs?</u>	Poland
14:20-14:40	Charlotte Escorne	<u>5G deployment in Africa : a tech to improve local development ?</u>	France
14:40-15:00	Raúl Puente Asuero	<u>Seville: between green governance</u>	Spain

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	Barbara Maćkiewicz	<u>and greenwashing. A Case Study</u>	Poland
15:00-15:20	Zhu Qian	<u>Territorial governance, market integration and indigenous citizens in China's state-led eco-tourism</u>	Canada
15:20-15:45	Discussion		

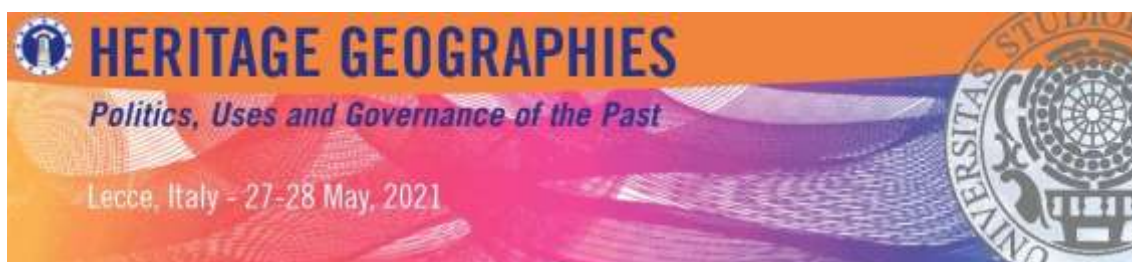
Governance and social innovation (16:00 – 17:45)

	Chair of the session: Anna Trono		
16:00-16:20	Anastasiya Matyushkina	<u>Improving municipal capacities for social innovations through collaborative culture-led projects</u>	Germany
16:20-16:40	Paweł Krzemień Mirosław Mika	<u>Local authorities' attitudes toward social enterprises in Polish regional context.</u>	Poland
16:40-17:00	Weronika Lis Elżbieta Grzelak-Kostulska Mirek Dymitrow	<u>Volunteer tourism as a social innovation supporting local governance? Cases and conditions for success.</u>	Poland
17:00-17:20	Alejandra Rivera Vinuesa	<u>The role of the urban context in the emergence and development of social innovation: The case of labour inclusion initiatives in Malmö and Medellín</u>	Austria
17:20-17:45	Discussion		

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11.5 - ANNEX - IGU Thematic Conference - Heritage Geographies: Politics, Uses and Governance of the Past, Lecce (Italy), 27 - 29 May, 2021



Sessions proposed by IGU Commission on the Geography of Governance.

27th May - Parallel sessions

11:00 – 13:00

Smart governance, Urban Planning and Heritage (Chairs: Carlos Nunes Silva & Anna Trono)

LINK: <https://unisalento.it/igu02>

ADAMO Project Strategic Plan: an example of innovative valorization of Cultural Heritage

Sandra Leonardi, La Sapienza University, Rome (Italy), **Michele Pigliucci**, University of Rome “Tor Vergata” (Italy)

An Innovative ICT platform for Sustainable and Quality Tourism Development

Dimitrios Salmas, **Chrysostomos Stylios**, University of Ioannina (Greece)

Urban heritage conservation in France: recent evolution and controversy

Marie-Alix Molinié-Andlauer, Sorbonne University (France), **Federica Appendino**, ESPI Paris (France)

Non-urban heritage in urban environment of Moscow

Tatiana Borodina, Institute of Geography Russian Academy of Sciences (Russian Federation), **Alexander Savchenko**, The Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration (Russian Federation)



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Heterotopia of decline: disentangling associations between old industries and social exclusion

Eva Nedorostová, Pavel Raška, Silvie R. Kučerová, M. Zubík, University in Ústí nad Labem (Czechia)

Heritage Conservation in the Inner-City: For Whom? A Case of the Walled City of Lahore
Jannat Sohail, Estonian Academy of Arts (Estonia)

28th May - Parallel sessions

09:00 – 11:00

Local Government and the Governance of Urban Heritage
(Chairs: **Carlos Nunes Silva & Anna Trono**)

LINK: <https://unisalento.it/igu11>

Local heritage for neo-endogenous rural development. Valorization, participation, local government and governance in Andalusia

Eugenio Cejudo García, José Cañete, Universidad de Granada (Spain), **Francisco Navarro**

Difficult governance of modern heritage: Four case studies of the Architectural Work of Le Corbusier (France, Switzerland)

Ismahan Hamzaoui, Université Clermont Auvergne (France)

Impacts of urban development factors on cultural heritage in post-socialist period. Bucharest as case study

Florentina-Cristina Merciu, Andreea-Loreta Cercleux, George Merciu, University of Bucharest (Romania)

Regeneration and gentrification of historical districts. The case of Poland

Barbara Maćkiewicz, Przemysław Ciesiółka, Adam Mickiewicz University of Poznań (Poland)

Industrial heritage without history: diverse conceptualizations of industrial heritage in the Ústí nad Labem Region (Czechia)

Vladan Hruška, Michaela Štěbetáková, Pavel Raška, Eva Nedorostová, Zdeňka



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Smutná, Silvie Rita Kučerová, Tomáš Sýkora, Petr Hlaváček, Jan Evangelista
Purkyně University in Ústí nad Labem (Czechia)

11:00 – 13:00

Citizen Participation in the Governance of Urban Heritage
(Chairs: **Carlos Nunes Silva & Anna Trono**)

LINK: <https://unisalento.it/igu11>

Public Participation in Urban Planning: from symbolic engagement to citizen control
Carlos Nunes Silva, University of Lisbon (Portugal)

Robust civic participation in management of heritage houses as a tool for sustainable human settlements

Lucia Leboto-Khetsi, Verna Nel, University of the Free State (South Africa)

«Come, Listen to the Story»: A Story about a Nepalese Oral Heritage Conservation Project

Ajaya Narayan Mali, Syracuse University (USA)

Students perspectives on University and Academic Heritages: a comparative study between Bologna and Modena

Silvia Grandi, University of Bologna (Italy), **Sara Belotti**, University of Modena and Reggio Emilia (Italy)

City wall parks in Italy: an opportunity to strengthen the city'

Donata Castagnoli, University of Perugia (Italy)

28th May - Plenary Sessions

LINK: <https://unisalento.it/iguplenary28>

16:30-19:00 _ Perspectives on heritage geographies – final round table

Moderator: Elena dell'Agnese, Conference Chair, University Milan - Bicocca

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Marcella Schmidt di Friedberg – IGU Commission on History of Geography

Cosimo Palagiano & Peter Jordan – IGU Commission on Toponymy

Elena dell'Agnese, Fabio Pollice – Conclusions



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11.6 ANNEX - IGU 34th International Geographical Congress - 'Geography: bridging the continents' - Istanbul, Turkey, 16 - 20 August 2021

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34th International Geographical Congress - PROGRAM



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10:00 - 11:00 GMT	Parallel Session Slot 1 & General Assembly	Parallel Session Slot 4 & General Assembly	Keynote Lecture 3 LYDIA COUDROY DE LILLE France	Keynote Lecture 5 PROF. SHANGYI ZHOU China	Keynote Lecture 7 PROF. MIKE MEADOWS South Africa
11:15 - 12:15 GMT	Parallel Session Slot 2 General Assembly	Parallel Session Slot 5 General Assembly	Parallel Session Slot 8	Parallel Session Slot 11	Parallel Session Slot 13
12:30 - 13:30 GMT	Opening Ceremony	Parallel Session Slot 6	Parallel Session Slot 9	Parallel Session Slot 12	Closing Ceremony
13:45 - 14:45 GMT	Opening Keynote Lecture 1 PROF. GORDON MCBEAN Canada	Keynote Lecture 2 PROF. EDUARDO DE MULDER The Netherlands	Keynote Lecture 4 DR. JUHA I. UITTO USA	Keynote Lecture 6 DR. HARSH GUPTA India	
15:00 - 16:00 GMT	Parallel Session Slot 3	Parallel Session Slot 7	Parallel Session Slot 10		



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SESSION ID #	SESSION TITLE	Date	Slot
2108	C.11.Geography of Governance => Citizen Participation in Urban Governance: Formal and Informal Community Engagement in Local Government Policies	2021-08-16	Slot 1 (10:00 - 11:00 (GMT))

Paper 1 : A Study on Micro-Regeneration of University Unit Community in the View of Property Rights

Paper 2 : Local Governance and the Challenge of Territorial Justice

Paper 3 : REFRAMING GLOBALIZATION-LOCALIZATION NEXUS BASED ON THE ROLE OF LOCAL CREATIVITY INITIATIVES: INSIGHTS FROM THE CASE OF ATHENS, GREECE

Paper 4 :

Session Chair : Carlos NUNES SILVA

2109	C.11.Geography of Governance => Citizen Participation in Urban Governance: Formal and Informal Community Engagement in Local Government Policies	2021-08-16	Slot 2 (11:15 - 12:15 (GMT))
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Paper 1 : Participation cost and the self-exclusion of the community participation in decision making process. Experiences in flood prone urban area in Surakarta, Indonesia.

Paper 2 : LANDSCAPING: SENSITIVE CARTOGRAPHY AS PRACTICE OF COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE OF TERRITORY. THE CASE OF MAGNIFICA COMUNITÀ DI FIEMME, TRENTINO.

Paper 3 : Citizen Participation in Urban Planning in Portugal 1920 - 2020

Paper 4 :

Session Chair : Carlos NUNES SILVA

2101	C.11.Geography of Governance => Local Government Reforms: Decentralization Versus Centralization	2021-08-16	Slot 3 (15:00 - 16:00 (GMT))
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Paper 1 : Regional inequalities and decentralization. The case of the Central and Eastern European countries

Paper 2 : From decentralization to centralization. Reform experiments in Hungary

Paper 3 : Centralization under decentralization: The process and impact of the reform of fishers' club in Lesvos, Greece

Paper 4 : Local Government in Angola, Cape Verde and Mozambique 1975-2020

Session Chair : Carlos NUNES SILVA

2104	C.11.Geography of Governance => Shrinking Cities, Expanding Metropolises, Depopulated Villages: The Governance Responses	2021-08-17	Slot 4 (10:00 - 11:00 (GMT))
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Paper 1 : Evaluating the Effectiveness of Spatial Planning Policy on Mitigating Extensive Urban Expansion. A Case Study of Cianjur Regency, Indonesia

Paper 2 : Urban shrinkage as a challenge for policy making and planning - comparative perspective on approaches from the European Union

Paper 3 : LOCAL GOVERNANCE FOR TERRITORIAL AND SOCIAL COHESION IN SMALL DEPOPULATED MUNICIPALITIES: A CASE STUDY.

Paper 4 :

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2103	C.11.Geography of Governance => Migrants and Refugees Democratic Rights in Local Governance	2021-08-17	Slot 5 (11:15 - 12:15 (GMT))
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Paper 1 : The European and Israeli front against migration: From punitive to positive policy trajectories

Paper 2 : ROHINGYA MIGRATION TO INDIA- PATTERN AND SOLUTION

Paper 3 : Changing Multicultural Governances: a case study on Ansan's Multicultural Special Village

Paper 4 :

Session Chair : Rocio ROSALES-ORTEGA

2166	COVID-19 Session => Local Government Response Towards COVID-19 Pandemic	2021-08-17	Slot 5 (11:15 - 12:15 (GMT))
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Paper 1 : German Local Authorities in the COVID-19 Pandemic. Challenges, impacts and adaptations

Paper 2 : Coping with COVID-19 Pandemic in the Greek Context - A Joint Effort at the National and Urban Level

Paper 3 : Jalisco against COVID-19: local governance and response to the health and economic emergency

Paper 4 :

Session Chair : Carlos NUNES SILVA

2105	C.11.Geography of Governance => Local Government Reforms: Decentralization Versus Centralization	2021-08-17	Slot 6 (12:30 - 13:30 (GMT))
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Paper 1 : Influence of Consolidation of Municipalities on Local and Community Governances of Peripheral Areas: A Case Study of Sasebo City, Japan

Paper 2 : Party Factionalism and the Transformation of Local Environmental Governance in Urbanizing China: The Politics of Sponge City Constructions in Shanghai and Guangzhou

Paper 3 : Toward periurban regimes to engineering local sustainable development policies

Paper 4 :

Session Chair : Yosuke MAEDA

2167	COVID-19 Session => Local Government Response Towards COVID-19 Pandemic	2021-08-17	Slot 6 (12:30 - 13:30 (GMT))
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Paper 1 : Mexico City: COVID-19 pandemic and challenges for local governance.

Paper 2 : The immediate and subsequent effects of public health interventions for COVID-19 on the leisure and recreation industry

Paper 3 : Tourism in pandemic times – the case of São Paulo State, Brazil

Paper 4 :

Session Chair : Carlos NUNES SILVA

2168	COVID-19 Session => Local Government Response Towards COVID-19 Pandemic	2021-08-17	Slot 7 (15:00 - 16:00 (GMT))
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Paper 1 : The new geography of post-Covid 19 spatial relationships: the rediscovery of proximity agriculture and the value of traditional rural landscapes

Paper 2 : IDENTIFYING SPATIAL PATTERNS RELATED TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC. CASE STUDY IN THE REGION OF GALICIA (SPAIN)

Paper 3 : Local Government response to the COVID-19 Pandemic: insights from the case of Portugal

Paper 4 :

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2102 C.11.Geography of Governance => Climate Policy and Local Governance

2021-08-17

Slot 7 (15:00 -
16:00 (GMT))

Paper 1 : Climate Change Adaptation : What Place in the Territorial Planning in Morocco?

Paper 2 : Assessing Climate Change Vulnerabilities of Ontario's Rural Populations

Paper 3 :

Paper 4 :

Session Chair : Yosuke MAEDA

2169 COVID-19 Session => Post-COVID-19 Global Pandemic And New World Economic Order

2021-08-17

Slot 7 (15:00 -
16:00 (GMT))

Paper 1 : The determinants of the geography of COVID19 in Europe

Paper 2 : GEOGRAPHIC IMPACTS OF COVID-19 ON THE 2020 UNITED STATES PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

Paper 3 :

Paper 4 :

Session Chair : Laszlo KAKAI

2106 C.11.Geography of Governance => International Cooperation of Local and Regional Authorities

2021-08-18

Slot 8 (11:15 -
12:15 (GMT))

Paper 1 : GOVERNANCE OF ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATIONS IN THE SPINY LOBSTER VALUE CHAIN IN QUINTANA ROO, MÉXICO

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Paper 3 : A Reflexion about the Water Diplomacy in the Transboundary Basin of Incomati in Southern Africa

Paper 4 :

Session Chair : Carlos NUNES SILVA

2170 COVID-19 Session => Transforming Human Lifescapes, Envirosapes, Soundscapes And Psychscapes And The Urban - Rural Cityscapes: Impact Of COVID-19 And The Urgency Of Achieve

2021-08-18

Slot 9 (12:30 -
13:30 (GMT))

Paper 1 : Covid-19 crisis management, questioning the rising involvement of the military in environmental crises

Paper 2 : 'Catch the sun coming up, wave it off as it goes down': A qualitative exploration of later life therapeutic landscapes during the first wave of the COVID-19 pandemic

Paper 3 :

Paper 4 :

Session Chair : Carlos NUNES SILVA

2107 C.11.Geography of Governance => International Cooperation of Local and Regional Authorities

2021-08-18

Slot 9 (12:30 -
13:30 (GMT))

Paper 1 : Cross-border relations in the Pamir mountains

Paper 2 : The international rescaling of cities through city-to-city cooperations

Paper 3 :

Paper 4 :

Session Chair : Angel IGLESIAS

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11.7- ANNEX - IGU COMMISSIONS 2020 EXCELLENCE AWARD

The IGU Commissions Excellence Award Committee unanimously nominated the Commission "Geography of Governance" for the IGU Commissions Excellence Award 2020:

«The Commission "Geography of Governance" is very active and highly productive. It participates consistently in IGU Congresses and Conferences, organizing successful sessions on processes of governance worldwide. The Commission is exceptionally active, has a strong tradition of collaboration with IGU Commissions as well as organisations outside IGU. The Commission collaborated in 2020 with several IGU Commissions in the Thematic Conference on Geographies of Heritage, in Lecce (the thematic conference was later post-poned to 2021, because of the Covid emergence). The Commission has developed a diverse way of communication, internally and externally, through its website, newsletter and email list. The Commission has been also successful in publishing, producing a relevant list of titles, authored or edited by members of the Steering Committee. Moreover, the Commission launched, on 25 March 2020, a collaborative Action Plan and research project focused on the "Local Government response towards the COVID-19 Pandemic" (see <https://sites.google.com/view/igucgog-covid19/home>), an initiative of great importance for knowledge and research on public action to spatial reorganisation and disaster containment. The IGU Commissions Excellence Award Committee commends the Commission "Geography of Governance" for its excellent work.»





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