

***International Workshop organized by the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität
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The South European city. Urban space and urban society in the 20th century

Rome, 23.–25.10.2014

The concept of a "European city" is the object of continuous discussion and criticism in the research on European cities and their urbanising processes. The attempts to delimit the characteristics and features of the "European city" originated in Max Weber's ideal of a western city, and have consequently referred to those areas encompassing western modernity, i.e. Northern and Western Europe. Although the perspective has been widened as a result of various studies on the history of East European cities since the 1990s, the southern part of Europe, often considered Mediterranean, has been disregarded. As a historical region, it has been relegated to the status of an area without fixed boundaries. With regard to its urban development, it was usually identified with the idea of a static pre-modern world, far from the concept of a "modern city", which is characterized by stable growth dynamics, a controlled suburbanization and, in particular, by an efficient official planning. These considerations led to an absence of the south European city in the scientific discussion.

This workshop aims, therefore, to build the theme of South European cities and their distinctive features. Through a comparative and interdisciplinary analysis of the cityscape throughout Mediterranean Europe, the workshop will try to address its absence so far in the scientific discussion about a "European city". The underlying hypothesis is that its cities had followed their own specific developmental trajectory. The contemplation of the city as a space of social, mental and historic-cultural interactions, as well as the identification of a common cultural model in Southern Europe, will provide a novel historic-cultural contribution to the understanding of urban development in this area. This must be regarded as a challenge to the "European city" concept and an example of late modernization. The discussion will relate to those aspects concerning urbanization and town planning, as well as the urban society and the sense of identity and belonging. Among others, these aspects will be of special relevance:

– Production of the public space. – The reciprocal relation between the formal city (with planning) and the informal city (without planning). – Public supervision and self-regulation. – City growth and immigration. – The relation between the city centre and the outskirts, and connected to this, the identity and sense of belonging. – The perception about the new districts and the relation between the city and the country.

Thursday, 23.10.2014

13.30–13.45 Welcome and opening remarks

13.45–14.45 **Inauguration lecture:** Prof. Martin Baumeister (DHI Rome):
The "South" and European urban history. Some observations and some questions from a northener

14.45–15.00 Coffee break

15.00–18.15 Urban growth, spatial planning and the socio-spatial differentiation

- 15.00–15.45 Bruno Bonomo (Sapienza – Università di Roma):
The “Eternal City” in Transformation. Urban and Social Change in Post-war Rome

- 15.45–16.30 Charlotte Vorms (Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne):
Relations between real estate economy, public powers and urban space:
considerations on the Madrid case (1860–2010)

16.30–16.45 Coffee break

- 16.45–17.30 João Rafael Santos (Universidade de Lisboa):
Networking Lisbon: shaping a capital city in the changing geographies of
the 20th century

- 17.30–18.15 Anna Pelka (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich):
Urban growth and the production of urban space in Barcelona. The
International Eucharistic Congress of 1952 as a case study

Moderation: Nina Schierstaedt (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich)

18.15–19.00 Refreshment

- 19.00–21.00 **The South European city: challenges and shortcomings of a concept in comparative urban history:** Round table with Prof. Lila Leontidou (Hellenic Open University, Athens), Prof. Iain Chambers (Università degli studi di Napoli “L’Orientale”) and Prof. Vittorio Vidotto (Sapienza – Università di Roma)

Moderation: Prof. Martin Baumeister (DHI Rome)

21.00 Dinner

Friday, 24.10.2014

9.30–12.45 The city as a social space

- 9.30–10.15 Ares Kalandides (Technische Universität Berlin):
Urban Development between formality and informality. The Greek case in
the 20th century

- 10.15–11.00 Cemile Nil Uzun (Middle East Technical University, Ankara):
Experiencing the three waves of gentrification in Istanbul

11.00–11.15 Coffee break

- 11.15–12.00 João Pedro Nunes (ISCTE – Instituto Universitário de Lisboa):
Suburban Lisbon: Urban growth and everyday life experiences in Amadora
(1950–2010)

- 12.00–12.45 John David Rhodes (University of Cambridge):
Looking through Rome with Lattuada’s “Gli italiani si voltano” (1953)

Moderation: Anna Pelka (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich)

13.00–14.30 Lunch

14.30–17.00 Alternative concepts of the city and social participation

14.30–15.15 Matthias Heigl (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich):
The Neighbourhood as an Arena Space and Political Conflict in Rome in the
1970s

15.15–16.00 Nina Schierstaedt (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich):
The Neighbourhood Associations of Madrid during the late Franco
dictatorship and the transition to democracy: A struggle for the
appropriation of urban space

16.00–16.15 Coffee break

16.15–17.00 Fernán de Val (Universidad Complutense de Madrid: UCM):
Madrid in the 70's: city, neighborhood and social movements in the
Spanish Rock-urbano

Moderation: Bruno Bonomo (Sapienza – Università di Roma)

17.00–18.00 Final Discussion

Saturday, 25.10.2014 Departure