

# „Cities and Societies in Transition? The 1970s in Germany and Italy”

Conference at GHI Rome, 21./22.5.2015

Conveners: GHI Rome, GSU, Associazione Italiana di Storia Urbana

## **Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> May 2015**

14.00 Welcoming remarks by Martin Baumeister (GHI Rome)

14.15 Dieter Schott (Darmstadt)

**Why should we compare ‘Cities and Societies in Transition’**

### **I. The 1970s – a period of crisis also in/for the cities**

14.30-15.30 Chair: Christian Jansen (Trier)

Tobias Becker (GHI London)

**From New towns to old cities. The rise of urban conservation and the 70s Nostalgia wave**

Francesco Bartolini (Macerata)

**The perspective of the Italian Communists. From the modern city to the postmodern metropolis**

Discussion introduced by Stefano Cavazza (Bologna)

15.30-16.00 *Coffee-Break*

16.00-17.00 Chair: Vittorio Vidotto (La Sapienza, Rome)

Harald Bodenschatz (TU Berlin)

**Bologna and the (re-)discovery of urban values**

Christian Jansen (Trier)

**‘Prendiamoci la città’ – fighting for the city as strategy of the New Left**

Discussion introduced by Petra Terhoeven (Göttingen)

### **II. The City as a Battlefield**

17.00-18.00 Chair: Christof Dipper (Darmstadt)

Roberto Colozza (Kingston University London)

**Rome and the Italian Communist Party in 1977. Between the "Years of Lead" and the "Meraviglioso Urbano"**

Sebastian Haumann (Darmstadt)

**Movimento 77: the reception of Italian urban protest in West Germany**

Discussion introduced by Harald Bodenschatz (TU Berlin)

19.00

Keynote lecture: **“The 1970s – a period of structural rupture in Germany and Italy?”**  
Prof. Dr. Lutz Raphael (Trier)

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2015**

**II. The City as a Battlefield**

09.00-10.00 Chair: Dieter Schott (Darmstadt)

Sylvia Necker (IfZ, Munich)

**From planning euphoria to urban renewal. Protest culture and urban planning in Hamburg-Ottensen in the 1970s**

Christian Wilcke (RU Bochum)

**The city as a battlefield? Initiatives for the preservation of workers' settlements in the Ruhr cities during the 1970s**

Discussion introduced by Bruno Bonomo (La Sapienza, Rome)

10.00-11.00 Chair: Petra Terhoeven (Göttingen)

Freia Anders (Mainz) / Alexander Sedlmaier (Bangor, Wales)

**"Squatting means to destroy the capitalist plan in the urban quarters": *spontis*, autonomists and the struggles over public commodities (1970–1983)**

Anna Ross (Oxford)

**Photographing re-urbanization in West-Berlin 1979-1984**

Discussion introduced by N. N.

*11.00-14.00 Guided tour to Corviale by Vittorio Vidotto (only for referees, chairs and discussants)*

**III. The city as a building site and as habitat**

14.00-15.00 Chair: Vittorio Vidotto (La Sapienza, Rome)

Guido Zucconi (Venice)

**The emerging of the question of *centro storico* in 1970s Italy**

Kerstin Stamm (Dortmund)

**Future versus past. Rome and Berlin in the European Heritage Year 1975**

Discussion introduced by Guido Zucconi (Venice)

15.00-16.00 Chair: Martin Baumeister (DHI Rom)

Jost Ulshöfer (Leipzig)

**From *vecchio nucleo cittadino* to *centro storico*: on the history of preservation in 1970s Bologna**

Giovanni Cristina (EHESS Paris)

**The 'Villaggio del Pilastro'. Models of social housing, grassroots mobilization and marginalization in a suburb of Bologna (1960-1980)**

Discussion introduced by Celina Kress (FH Erfurt)

16.00-16.30 *Coffee break*

16.30-17.30 Chair: Christoph Bernhardt (IRS Erkner)

Celina Kress (FH Erfurt)

**Doubts and dawns: Aldo Rossi's urban theory and its divergent impact on city planning and discourses during the 1970s in Italy, Switzerland and Germany**

Giovanni Pietrangeli (Padua)

**Postfordist skylines. "Directional" districts and the urban economics. The case of Rome**

Discussion introduced by Gisela Mettele (Jena)

17.30-18.30

Final Discussion opened by two statements (5 min.)

- a) Christof Dipper (Darmstadt)
- b) Stefano Cavazza (Bologna)