

GUDNews.1 SEPTEMBER- OCTOBER 2025

GUD NEXT ACTIVITIES

- ✓ 19 September 2025 9.30am-13.30pm CET
Biennale dello Spazio Pubblico/Biennial of Public Spaces – GUD Session Liveable, Healthy and Adaptive Public Spaces, RomaTre-ex Mattatoio Room De Renzi, Rome
- ✓ 22 September 2025 2-4pm CET
Alexandra Delgado
Plan de Naturalización Urbana de Gijón- Seminar
- ✓ October 2025
Cristina Pallini
Nella Pianura Pontina: Luoghi e Temi di Architettura- Book Presentation

CALL FOR PAPERS

20th AESOP Young Academics PhD Conference 2026

Urban Interactions Revisited – Bridging disciplines for an accessible and inclusive environment

18–21 March 2026 | Prague, Czech Republic

Organised by the Faculty of Architecture, Czech Technical University in Prague (CTU FA), in collaboration with the Faculty of Environmental Sciences, Czech University of Life Sciences.

Deadline: 14 September 2025, 23:59 CET

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<https://aesop-planning.eu/resources/news-archive/ya/call-for-abstracts-20-aesop-young-academics-phd-conference-2026>

Design Practices and Citizen Mobilizations: Dwelling, Resisting, Experimenting, ENSA Paris-La Villette and ENSA Versailles, February 12–13, 2026

As climate disruption and ecological crises increasingly reshape planning policies, the design disciplines—architecture, urbanism, and landscape—are being called upon to reinvent themselves (Younès, 1999; Bognon, 2022; Rode, 2023). Yet the contours of this “ecologization” remain vague, provoking critique, controversy, and mobilization. As the notion of transforming the ways we inhabit, govern, and produce the city becomes more widespread, so-called sustainable or ecological projects have themselves become sites of conflict.....

Proposals (including a title, an abstract of up to 2,500 characters, a short bio, and institutional affiliation) should be sent to: ppmc2026@gmail.com

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<https://eahn.org/2025/07/design-practices-and-citizen-mobilizations-dwelling-resisting-experimenting/>

IPHS Conference and call for papers 2026

The 21st IPHS Biennial Conference, Atlanta, 19-23 July 2026, Atlanta.

IPHS 2026 will be held in the Midtown neighborhood of Atlanta, Georgia. The Conference will take place on Georgia Tech's urban campus. Urban and regional planning scholars are invited from around the world to join in Atlanta in the summer 2026 to address the pressing and urgent challenges of past, present, and future in the city of Atlanta.....

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<https://design.gatech.edu/iphs2026>

Congress for the New Urbanism (CNU) 34. Northwest Arkansas, May 12-16, 2026 Cities of the Northwest Arkansas region- including Bentonville, Rogers, Springdale, and Fayetteville- will welcome more than 1500 architects, urban planners, policy experts, and real estate professionals for this annual gathering of the Congress for the New Urbanism.

More information about CNU 34 will be available in mid-Summer 2025.

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<https://www.cnu.org/what-we-do/congress>

The 7th international conference on Changing Cities

CHANGING CITIES VII: Spatial, Design, Landscape, Heritage and Socio-Economic dimensions

Spetses Island, Greece, 15-19 June 2026.

Main Theme: 'Artificial intelligence enhancing Cultural Heritage and Tourism Development in smart cities'

Conference Venue: The Anargyriou and Korgialenion Foundation (AKSS), Spetses Island, Greece, supervised by The Greek Ministry of Education.

The conference is organised by University of Thessaly, Volos, Greece <https://www.uth.gr/en/>.

The Lab of Urban Morphology and Design, directed by Dr. Aspa Gospodini, Professor of Urban Planning & Design, Email: umlab@uth.gr Department of Planning & Regional Development [<http://www.prd.uth.gr/en/>], Faculty of Engineering, University of Thessaly, Pedion Areos, 38 334 Volos, Greece in co-organisation with Department of Architecture, University of Patras. <https://www.arch.upatras.gr/en>

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<https://changingcities.prd.uth.gr/commingsoonpage/>

PUBLICATIONS

Sepe, Marichela (edited), (2025) Public Spaces for Community Campuses and Universities, INU Edizioni, Open access <https://www.inuedizioni.com/it>

Insights Collection, AISU, "The City of Art Historians", edited by Bianca de Divitiis, Marco Folin, 2025

A collection of contributions from the first conference of the series, held in Naples on May 29-30, 2024, exploring the close but not obvious relationship between art history and urban history. A starting point for exploring disciplinary intersections and new research perspectives. Discover the volume, which can be viewed and downloaded here:

<https://aisuinternational.org/collana-insights/>

Eva Purkarthofer, *Spatial Planning and the European Union. Europeanisation from Within*, Routledge, 2025

This book serves as a guide to navigate the connection points between EU policies and spatial planning by introducing the logics of EU policymaking and European spatial planning, outlining the most important EU policies with relevance for spatial planning and presenting examples, from Austria and Finland, of how EU policies are applied in domestic contexts. By exploring the Europeanisation of spatial planning 'from within', the book acknowledges how differential ideas about what spatial planning is and what role the EU plays therein shape the actualised impacts of EU policies.

Preview & details: <https://www.routledge.com/Spatial-Planning-and-the-European-Union-Europeanisation-from-Within/Purkarthofer/p/book/9780367682729?srsId=AfmBOopX6J0r2liqV1pF7r-AHUqABxzzXY0Jk0IIQG6L3MYBex1vPgQt>

Dorina Pojani, Catherine Keys, Rory Little, *Early planning utopias: A feminist critique*, Anthem Press, 2025

There is little doubt that urban planning has failed women. To extricate the profession from the patriarchy, it is necessary to revisit the preconceptions that underpinned early efforts to envision new cities or improve existing cities. This book discusses and critiques the work of twenty male planning luminaries who proposed urban models, interventions, and approaches on both sides of the North Atlantic during the Second Industrial Revolution. The authors argue that these early visions and ideas, presented as emancipatory and even utopian, set European and North American cities (and their colonial counterparts) on an inexorable masculinist path. The book also highlights the work of several female activists and reformers from the same era, many of whom strove to create better built environments for women, though they rarely envisioned full-blown urban utopias or produced extensive writings on planning issues.

<https://adp.uq.edu.au/blog/2025/03/early-planning-utopias-feminist-critique>

Nick Gallent (Editor), Menelaos Gkartzios (Editor), Mark Scott (Editor), Andrew Purves (Editor), *Postcapitalist Countrysides. From commoning to community wealth building*, UCL Press, 2025. *Postcapitalist Countrysides* explores the tensions that arise from the established conventions of economic production and private accumulation, as they affect life, wealth and work in rural areas. Its premise is that capitalism, as we experience it today, is incapable of solving key societal challenges – centred on social justice and sustainable livelihoods. By rethinking land, capital and labour relationships, postcapitalism offers glimpses of alternative modes of socio-economic organisation, achievable through local pre-figurative actions today and scalable through structural supports in the future. The glimpses of hopeful futures offered in this collection focus on rural places, communities and economies.

<https://uclpress.co.uk/book/postcapitalist-countrysides/>

BOOK LAUNCH EVENTS

The Future of Urban Cultural Planning: A Book Launch & Roundtable
18 September 2025

RBC Centre for Emerging Artists & Designers (CEAD), Rosalie Sharp Pavilion
115 McCaul Street Toronto, ON M5T 1G1 Canada

READ MORE: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/the-future-of-urban-cultural-planning-a-book-launch-roundtable-tickets-1612127188819>

IDEAS URBAN DESIGN COMPETITIONS

ECTP-CEU (European Council of Spatial Planners – Conseil Européen des Urbanistes) 14th Young Planners Workshop 2025 – Call for Projects: Planning of Small and Medium-Sized European Towns since 2000

READ MORE [ypws2025-ENG-call.pdf](#)

Deadline: Monday, 14th September 2025

URBAN DESIGN AWARDS

Accessible Cities for All Award

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https://urbanpromo.it/content/uploads/sites/3/2025/04/INU_Accessible-Cities_2025-

Deadline: Award_Open-Call-notice_EN_3.pdf

Deadline: 6.10.2025

NEW URBAN DESIGN PROJECTS

New Jubilee 2025 Public spaces in Rome:

<https://www.domusweb.it/en/architecture/gallery/2025/03/01/rome-new-jubilee-2025-projects.html>

URBAN DESIGN HORIZON/RESEARCH PROJECT OPEN MEETINGS

Horizon Europe

Conferences and summits, European Research and Innovation Days 2025

Tuesday 16 September 2025, 09:00- Wednesday 17 September 2025, 17:00 (CEST)

Brussels, Belgium

Live streaming available: <https://research-innovation-community.ec.europa.eu/events/34HcitJg953HcrWMtQUyhF/overview>

Driving Urban Transitions (DUT) Call 2025 – Info Day

This webinar will offer a comprehensive introduction to the DUT Call 2025 and guidance on how to apply for funding.

<https://dutpartnership.eu/events/dut-call-2025-info-day>

For the GUDNews.2 November-December2025 submit no later than 15 October 2025 contributions to both:

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