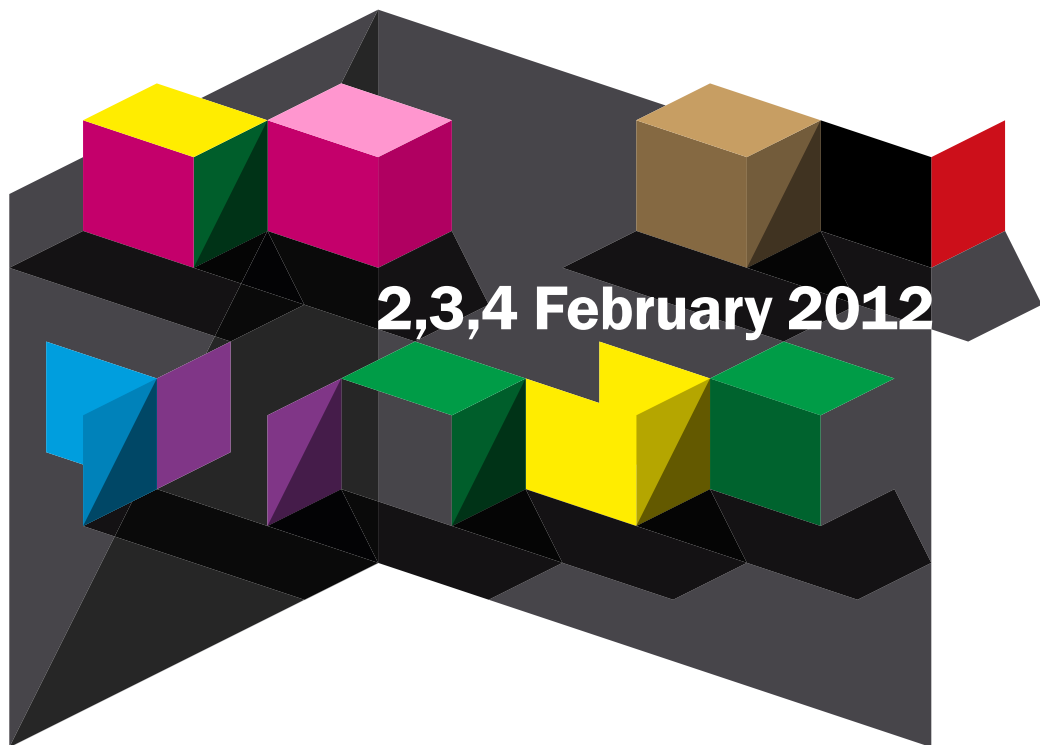


Conference on Architecture, European Urbanisation and Globalisation



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Day 1 (Walferdange, University of Luxembourg, Lecture room Audimax)

Globalisation

Global developments have an increasing impact on cities, regions and also on architecture. Globalisation is an important field of research because cities and regions compete on a global scale and increasingly need to specialise themselves. Global migrations have consequences on the growth and shrinkage of regions. The prices of building materials depend more and more on a global market. Differences between rich and poor, just as well as between different cultures, produce conflicts that, as a consequence of asymmetrical warfare are more and more fought out in cities. Architecture plays an important role in these conflicts. Iconic buildings try to lend cities a new logo or identity, but architecture is also often used as a tool in these conflicts: in an attempt to stabilise them or as a catalyst to start up processes of change. Last but not least, encouraged by the rise and growth of new cities and regions, a new kind of architect has emerged, that works from the beginning on a global scale. But what could be the real chances and tasks for architects in a globalised world? What new tools and attitudes should they bring in?

9.30 Welcome and opening by Prof. Dr. Michel Margue, Dean of the Faculty of Language and Literature, Humanities, Arts and Education at the University of Luxembourg.

9.45 Introduction of the day and moderation by Prof. Bart Lootsma, University of Innsbruck, University of Luxembourg

10.00 Prof. Christian Schulz, University of Luxembourg
Spaces and places of globalisation – views from human geography

10.30 Prof. Murray Fraser,
Professor of Architecture and Global Culture, Bartlett School of Architecture, London
The Scale of Globalisation

11.00 *Coffee break*

11.30 Prof. Brett Steele, Dean Architectural Association School of Architecture, London

12.00 Prof. Lars Lerup, Harry K. and Albert K. Smith
Professor in Architecture, Dean Emeritus Rice University, Houston
Next City: Why we have to pay attention to self-regulation

12.30 *Lunch time*

14.00 Ass. Prof. Manuel Herz, ETH Zurich / Studio Basel
From City to Camp

14.30 Prof. Markus Miessen, Städelschule, Frankfurt, Harvard Research Fellow
The Nightmare of Participation

15.00 Vicente Guallart, Chief Architect - Barcelona City Council

15.30 *Coffee break*

16.15 Prof. Kjetil Thorsen, Snøhetta, Oslo/New York
Snøhetta Works

16.45 Moderation by Prof. Bart Lootsma, University of Innsbruck, University of Luxembourg

18.00 End of the session

Day 2 (Luxembourg – Fondation de l'Architecture et de l'Ingénierie)

European Urbanisation

The European tradition of urbanisation is characterised among others by a special relationship between historical substance, specific trajectories of urban planning and design and more recent interventions, and also by an intense, sometimes fraught relationship between communal and regional policies, public housing, public spaces, urban planning and design. Still, within the European Union, many different national and regional traditions coexist. The leitbild of the European city is extensively discussed and used by some as a guideline for future plans; others interpret the hybrid forms of contemporary urbanisation as a challenge to the traditional building culture and claim for developing innovative concepts. These tensions between traditional and modern worlds indeed shape identities and, in the course of time, have become embedded in laws and regulations. What does this mean, concretely, for our urban environment as a constructed reality? Are the issues at stake the same for the whole of Europe or do they differ from region to region and from place to place? Should we build upon local traditions and maybe even reinforce them or should new, European strategies and laws be developed to cope with urban development?

9.30	Welcome by the President of the Fondation de l'Architecture et de l'Ingénierie: Mr Christian Bauer
9.45	Introduction of the day and moderation by Prof. Bart Lootsma, University of Innsbruck, University of Luxembourg
10.00	Prof. Markus Hesse, University of Luxembourg The Kirchberg Syndrome. European Urbanization and the exceptional case of Luxembourg
10.30	Marianne Brausch, University of Luxembourg The Kirchberg Plateau in Luxembourg : how to analyse an example
11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30	Michele Brunello, Partner of Stefano Boeri Architetti, Milan Milan Expo 2015_Planetary Kitchen Garden
12.00	Prof. Wouter Vanstiphout, TU Delft Damn the Masters Plan!: Riots, Plans and Politics in Western Cities
12.30	<i>Lunch time</i>
14.00	Prof. Sonja Beeck, TU Kassel/IBA Sachsen Anhalt/IBA Berlin Rien ne va plus - but there is a lot to do
14.30	Matthias Böttger, Raumtaktik, ETH Zurich, Curator DAZ Berlin
15.00	Prof. Arno Brandlhuber, Academy of Fine Arts, Nuremberg Spatial production and the ordering of social relations in the berlin republic
15.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
16.15	Prof. Winy Maas, TU Delft, Why?Factory
16.45	Moderation by Prof. Bart Lootsma, University of Innsbruck, University of Luxembourg
18.00	End of the session

Day 3 (Luxembourg – Fondation de l'Architecture et de l'Ingénierie)

Architecture

Over the last decades, the role and meaning of architecture seem to have changed a great deal. Probably never in history we have witnessed such a multiplicity of styles and approaches that not only follow each other more rapidly but also exist simultaneously next to each other. This hollows out the traditional architectural debate. Globalisation makes architecture increasingly footloose and less dependent on the home market. New, digital cad-cam design and building processes have taken off, be it not always in the way architects originally hoped they would. Blogs publish the most recent architectural highlights quickly all over the world. Services like Google Image Search and Flickr are equally consulted world-wide and deeply influence the visual production of architecture, making architecture definitively part of the culture industry. At the same time, the market becomes more dominant and defining than the public sector, producing a fierce competition among architects. In Europe, since the privatisation of the housing market and the obligatory European competitions for public buildings, architecture seems to be under strong economical pressure and architects seem to lose political terrain in the field of long-term planning processes.

How do these changes manifest themselves in the architectural production today? How can architects regain influence in the processes of urbanisation?

9.30	Welcome by the directress of the Fondation de l'Architecture et de l'Ingénierie: Mrs Andrea Rumpf
9.45	Introduction of the day and moderation by Prof. Bart Lootsma, University of Innsbruck, University of Luxembourg
10.00	Carole Schmit, University of Luxembourg, Polaris Architects Territorial Opportunism
10.30	Prof. Aglaée Degros, TU Wien Vienna, Artgineering Rotterdam Blurred blundaries
11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.30	Hans Ibelings, Editor in Chief A10, Amsterdam Central and peripheral European architecture
12.00	Prof. Roemer van Toorn, University of Umea, Sweden The problem is not to make political architecture, but to make architecture politically.
12.30	<i>Lunch time</i>
14.00	Prof. Marjan Colletti, UCL, Bartlett, University of Innsbruck
14.30	Dietmar Steiner, Director AzW, Vienna, President of ICAM. Dirty Architecture
15.00	Mirko Zardini, Director CCA Montreal A Third Landscape for Architecture
15.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
16.15	Prof. Peter Kjaer*, Rector of Umea School of Architecture, Sweden
16.45	Moderation by Prof. Bart Lootsma, University of Innsbruck, University of Luxembourg
18.00	End of the day and closing of the conference by Andrea Rumpf, Directress of the Fondation de l'Architecture et de l'Ingénierie, Luxembourg