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AESOP Thematic group Public spaces and urban cultures

ROUNDTABLE 1:

Public Spaces - Knowledge Transition Between Research, Policy and Practice

Date:

23 September 2020 Time: 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM CEST (Central European Summer Time)

Moderators:

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Participants:

- dr. Patricia Aelbrecht, Geography and Planning School, Cardiff University
- Cecilia Andersson, UN Habitat, Global Public Space Programme
- dr. Enzhe Dusaeva, Tamga Institute of urban studies, Kazan
- dr. Zeynep Gunay, ISOCARP Board, Director of Young Planning Professionals Programme
- Alenka Korenjak, prostoRož, Ljubljana, Slovenia
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Public space has received an increasing attention in urban research, policy, and practice. This is evident in the growing academic literature on the themes related to public space, including accessibility, healthy living, inclusiveness, democracy, urban justice, self-organization, social movements among others. The 2016 UN Habitat Conference, Habitat III, adopted The New Urban Agenda, which focused on public space as a promoter of 'inclusive, connected, safe and accessible' cities (UN Habitat, 2016). NGOs worldwide have developed a placemaking approach to improve public spaces, which has been adopted in many cities. Neighbourhood organizations, local interest groups, cultural minorities, or politically oriented pressure groups manifested their needs and interests and reclaimed public spaces specifically in the context of profit-oriented urban developments. This complexity requires transdisciplinary methods to analyse and conceptualise public spaces to be able to engage knowledge, approaches and theories of public spaces from various perspectives to inform and influence policy-making and practice in different contexts.

This roundtable aims to promote a vivid discussion between the speakers and participants from academia, international institutions, practitioners and governments on the challenges and opportunities of knowledge transition between public space research, policy and practice.

The CS4 Roundtables are organized jointly with AESOP Thematic Group Public Spaces and Urban Cultures within series of 2020-2022 events (https://www.aesop-planning.eu/blogs/en_GB/urban-cultures-and-public-spaces).

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