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THE ITALIAN URBAN PLANNING TOWARDS THE 2030 AGENDA

Bringing territories and communities on the way of sustainability
and resilience



CALL FOR PAPERS_ENGLISH VERSION

XXII SIU CONFERENCE THEMES

It has been four years since the international agreement for the adoption of the UN General Assembly Resolution of September 2015 “Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development” aimed at the global adoption of the development for the next fifteen years.

So, an action program is proposed for people, planet and prosperity as a key global challenge, but above all essential to the success of sustainable development. In the 17 Sustainable Development Goals, in which the 2030 UN Agenda is articulated through 169 targets, the link between poverty and environmental crisis on the planet is unequivocally defined, discussing the current relationship between environmental challenges and the asymmetries of societies in continuous transformation, deeply innovating the concept of sustainable development as we had inherited it from its first definition of 1987. From this conceptual innovation, the Agenda takes responsibility for protecting the planet under the effects of Climate Change, *“bringing territories and communities on the way of sustainability and resilience”*.

The XXII Conference want to investigate the topic of responsibilities, skills and tools of Italian planning facing the challenges announced by the SDGs. **Starting from Goal 11 “Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable “ and the 7 complementary targets, it will be possible to experience the discipline also on other 2030 Agenda Global Goals.** The practical discipline dimension, which uses new cognitive processes and always open to new contaminations, cannot remain only in the narrow space of the targets to be achieved, but identifies others in which it has the competence and can return **to being useful and “to operate in the field”**.

NEW !

On **June 5, 2019**, it will take place in Matera the presentation of the theses selected as finalists in the context of the award of the **Giovanni Ferraro Prize** for the Doctoral Theses.



For urban planning, “embracing the whole Agenda” is one of the fundamental principles of the 2015 UN Resolution, in order to create integrated development policies and open both to the developing countries as regards industrial powers; territorial and social systems that, even if in very different contexts, both appear to be overburdened by many of the problems that the 2030 Agenda recalls.

Through this shared reflection, the XXII SIU Conference intends to fit into the process that began in Italy the year after the signing of the UN General Assembly Resolution. Initiatives of organizations, business associations and civil society, academic institutions and research centres have started to draw an “Italian position” on the SDGs, even operating in a country so far unable to give strategic agendas.

The Italian Urbanism is undoubtedly able today to contribute to the formulation of thought on cities and territories based on sustainability and on the new lifestyles that are arising, sure that the technique, valuable ally, alone can do little if not even diverting outcomes.

Ten years after the XII Conference in Bari on the theme of Landscape Planning for Urban Planning The Italian Society of Urbanists returns for the XXII SIU Conference by the Dicar of the Polytechnic University of Bari and the DiCEM of the UniBas in Matera, Basilicata, on June 5th, also taking the opportunity to visit Matera European Capital of Culture 2019, and in Puglia from 6 to 7 June 2019. As the XXI SIU Conference in Florence, the XXII one will consist of 3 (plenary sessions) x 3 (Frame) x 3 (parallel workshops) so that the 9 opportunities for debate can intercept the most relevant issues of the Agenda 2030, in line with the Goal 11 “Make cities inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable”. In this XXII edition, the issues to be addressed in the workshop spaces will also be developed through 3 “postcards”. So the formula becomes **3x3x3 (+3)**.

Besides, following the work of the Conference will be held the **Younger-SIUs**, a space for meeting, discussion and sharing dedicated to the SIU youngest in the Park of Alta Murgia, territory-hinge between Matera and Bari.

WORKSHOPS

WORKSHOP 1. THE GOAL OF INCLUSIVE CITY

Workshop 1.1

WELFARE POLICIES ON URBAN INEQUALITIES

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Four years have passed since the UN General Assembly adopted the solution concerning the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. In this same period of time, despite the urban policies and the public and academic-professional attention have been focused on sustainability, surveys and reports on poverty and social inequality continued to show a gradual increase in impoverishment and social inequality, not only in terms of income but also in consumption and access to basic services and goods. The urban polarization grows, the differences between European countries, between North and South Italy grow, also concerning the level of achievement of Agenda 2030 Goals. This framework requires a redefinition of the debate and a reversal of perspective: the urban social sustainability observed starting from its failure, from the growing polarization.

Workshop 1.2

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES IN REGENERATED SUBURBS

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The right to housing is still an unresolved issue today, particularly in Italy where housing hardship persists especially in big cities, associating the issues of adequacy of housing, of the management of public assets but also services and urban spaces, contemporary lifestyles and new housing demands.

Faced with long-term national disinvestment on housing policies, the workshop aims to investigate policies, strategies, plans and actions designed to solve the housing, economic, social and urban problems that have touched the issue of living with different levels of detail and intensity (energy requalification, regeneration of the suburbs, etc.). It is also intended to identify possible trajectories of development of agendas in a multiscale perspective, from the housing (quality of living) to the city (urban welfare).



Furthermore, it is intended to focus on the disparity of access to the house, associated with different living conditions, and on the possibilities of diversifying housing opportunities in the regeneration and integration processes of the new “suburbs”, channelling the economic resources and enhancing the good regeneration practices.

Workshop 1.3 **ADAPTABILITY AND MODELS FOR NEW INHABITANTS AND LIFESTYLES**

The 2030 Agenda Goal 11 speaks about an inclusive city. Inclusiveness must be compared with the massive movements of populations, of contemporary communities that have strong spatial impacts on cities and territories. This is not only a matter of welcoming refugees but of migratory trajectories that overlap with consolidated physical and social structures, driven by new lifestyles that generate innovative spaces and new urban functions, negotiating with the real estate market, urban governments formal/informal hybrid of living. For example, new forms of *co-housing*, *co-living* that in many cities of Europe are hybridized with *co-working*, a form of post-Fordist work organization strongly linked to the *knowledge of workers and freelancers* (S. Bologna 2011) also redesigning new life cycles in urban regeneration policies. Moreover, the living heritage of historic cities become part of the offer urban receptive to new *temporary residents*; tourists, students, *buyers* who continuously change the urban fabric and its practices, which promote actions to enhance the assets in abandonment, not without risk of distortion of the same identities of those places. Will these new forms of residence and work represent lasting opportunities capable of creating new urban inclusiveness, avoiding risks of gentrification and conflict between insider and outsider?

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WORKSHOP 2. THE GOAL OF CITIES AND TERRITORIES SAFETY

Workshop 2.1 THE SECURITY OF FRAGILE TERRITORIES

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Italy is a structurally fragile country. The drama of the chronicles and the results of official reports (Ispra, Legambiente, Ance-Cresme), highlight the high level of exposure to risk (especially seismic and hydrogeological) of numerous territorial contexts and, at the same time, environmental and social damages, connected to the increasingly unpredictable and destructive natural events.

The relevance of the theme refers to the centrality of the notion of the vulnerability of urban and territorial systems by intercepting the key issues of their change (climate change, land consumption, depletion of primary resources such as water, air, soil).

The workshop intends to promote a debate on the multidimensionality of the notion of environmental risk (Carta di Sendai 2015) intending to contributing (through the comparison between case studies and best practices) to define the contents and the complexity of the project of regeneration of fragile and insecure territories. So, the strategic and multidisciplinary dimension of the intervention policies activated during the emergency, reconstruction and development of a context affected by environmental disaster assumes importance.

How to redeem the sectorial approaches of current practices to risk management and planning? What are the devices and operating methods to innovate the plan and the urban project that intends to acquire the centrality of the notions of safety and uncertainty of natural phenomena?

Workshop 2.2 MEASURES FOR ACCESSIBILITY AND SECURITY OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT

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The issue of accessibility commits the institutions of our country in a cultural project that works for the integration of mobility policies with those of society, work, housing, the environment and urban security.



Accessibility is a right extended to all citizens. It is not only associated with architectural barriers or transport systems. It also concerns access to telematics services (e-inclusion), modal interaction, hospitality and access to primary common goods such as work, school, health care, knowledge as a collective and shared value. The Workshop, in line with the European programs on accessibility and social inclusion (EU Strategy 2010-20, EU 20-30, European Accessibility Act, 2015), wants to explore a notion of accessibility in its universal dimension. In this perspective, it is important to compare policies, projects and good practices that can testify the virtuous processes initiated in terms of accessibility and inclusiveness in the national and international field (*Access City Award*). What's strategies, policies and tools to rethink the functioning of accessible cities? How to integrate mobility policies with the inclusion and reception policies, while safeguarding contextual differences and values?

Workshop 2.3 **CITY, FOOD AND HEALTH**

The productivist vision has led to a long look at the city only as a space for hyper-consumption and the countryside as part of intensive production, losing sight of the richness of the relationship between urban and rural that in the past had produced forms and privileges of harvesting between agricultural space and urban uses. It seems to be a theoretical approach that opposes the dualism of extremes, micro and macro, global and local, to the critical comparison between quality and quantity, under and over consumers, obesity and malnutrition, making the global rescaling in the local.

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This new situation places urban realities on the front line, as well as for the high number of consumers that are concentrated in the city, also for the wide variety of food systems that urban areas propose.

Above all by recognizing how much the choices and food styles that the city helps to develop can affect the production and food system in general (Mazzocchi and Marino 2018).

Starting from the recognition of local food systems, the workshop wants to investigate research and application areas in national and international urban areas, also working within implicit policies, to identify a field of operation that starts from the specificity of the many Italian contexts of consumers and producers.

WORKSHOP 3. THE GOAL OF URBAN SUSTAINABILITY

Workshop 3.1 URBAN RESILIENCE FOR GLOBAL CHANGES

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Adaptation to climate change is a priority issue towards which the international community, national governments and local communities must respond by proposing synergies and shared multiscale visions.

The unit of analysis and experimentation is the city, increasingly vulnerable, but at the same time emblem of a complex system that is potentially Resilient, able to adapt to changes, transforming risks into opportunities for innovation.

In April 2013, the European Commission adopted the EU Adaptation Strategy in order to reinforce the level of awareness and the capacity for resilience to the impacts of climate change through “cost-effective” and rapid adaptation actions. The three targets of the Strategy are the promotion of effective actions; reinforcing knowledge, and integrating adaptation measures into local policies.

How much has the Urban Planning interacted with these targets? How does it respond to the stimuli of the European community and how much is integrated with the Local Plans of Adaptation to Climate Change (Mayors Adapt) or the Plans of Resilience and Prevention of Risks? Finally, at what point are investments for risk prevention and adaptation?

Workshop 3.2 SAFEGUARDING THE TERRITORY AS A KEY TO SUSTAINABILITY

The urban sustainability goal (11) says that among the targets to be achieved, the strengthening of efforts to protect and safeguard the world cultural and natural heritage, while the same objective of economic growth (8) refers to the importance of promoting forms of sustainable tourism capable of creating jobs by promoting local cultures and products.

However, to better understand the scope of safeguarding as a new key to sustainability, it seems essential to refer explicitly to the transition from the recognition of assets of individual assets to the entire territory considered as heritage.

This passage, explained by the recent Landscape Plans (Puglia, Toscana, Piemonte, Friuli Venezia-Giulia in addition to the Coastal Plan of Sardegna) as a possible engine of a different development, raises a series of issues related to the different necessary forms of knowledge, interpretation, community activation, social construction of sustainable supply chains capable of connecting the city and its territory in synergy with the aim of sustainability.

What reflections can be drawn from already mature experiences related to these different aspects? What is the evidence starting from this approach of promising perspectives towards greater sustainability? What are the main obstacles, and how can they be overcome?

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Workshop 3.3 NEW ECOLOGIES OF LIVING

The objective of reducing land consumption (from 2 sq.m./inhabitant in the period 2013-2015 to 1.6 sq.m./inhabitant for 2030 required by the UN Agenda) does not seem to capture, updating them, the reflections born in Italy around the 90s on the theme of open spaces and the land project, which interpreted secondary urbanizations in terms of permeability, quality and performance of public space.

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The peri-urban area and the abandoned space represent today the new problematic urban geographies that expand the dimension of open space and welcome the issues of soil consumption. It gives full legitimacy to the ecosystem approach of the urban project for the production of spaces and practices in a less exclusive territory between the city and the countryside, recomposing the themes of sustainability within the figures of living. Looking at the results of the Modern from the studies and tools that the discipline has made available could help to find ecological rationality that is a critical interpreter of the present. In the delay of exhaustive Italian legislation on the issue of land consumption, excluding the initiative of some Italian Regions that have legislated (Emilia Romagna, Lazio, Veneto), what correlations can be found between policies, ecological strategies, innovative shapes and tools for the land design?

The results of the work of the conference will, as usual, be collected in the documents published by Planum Publisher and in the series dedicated to the SIU of the Donzelli publisher in Rome.

CONFERENCE ABSTRACTS

Abstracts must not exceed 3.000 characters (including spaces) and must contain the following data:

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- a. Title, author(s), contact details, membership, three keywords;
- b. Indication of a first and second preference of the workshops;
- c. Thesis supported;
- d. Main arguments;
- e. Methodology/case study/comparisons, etc.;
- f. Expected results.

DEADLINES

Abstracts must be received by Monday, February 4, 2019, for previous approval at the following e-mail address:
conferenzasiu2019@gmail.com

Call/A

The SIU Scientific Committee will inform those interested of the **acceptance of the proposals on Monday, March 4, 2019**, and, subsequently, the coordinators of the workshops will give detailed information on how to discuss the contributions sent within the different workshops.

Papers - not exceeding 20.000 characters in length (including spaces), as well as any figures and tables - must be sent to the above e-mail address by **Monday, April 29, 2019**.

As always, the full papers of the participants in good standing with the payment of the conference registration fee will be published in a volume with ISBN code published by Planum Publisher.

Also, within the Conference will be reported the best papers of authors under 40 for each workshop.

CARTOLINE

P Concerning the local realities, and starting from the conspicuous places of the two host regions, the themes of Agenda 2030 addressed in the workshop spaces will also be developed through the use of 3 “Postcards”. They are pictures closer and updated of specific territorial realities within which it is possible to recognize some relevant conditions, at the same time of fragility and value.

The Postcards represent, in other words, visions of proximity on significant case studies that can be used as guide-cases to reread and compare other territorial realities of our country.

In line with the themes of the Conference, the “Postcards” focus on some of the pressing issues of the local urban agendas and are disposed of in a transversal way to the 3 themes in which the workshops are articulated, presenting themselves as a background of deepening of the issues dealt with. Each Postcard proposes pre-ordered themes and keywords, to be kept as references of the internal discussion at each workshop and possible starting points of the plenary sessions. Each postcard will also be characterized by an image, a photograph, with the specific objective of improving the communication sector with a language “other” and equally dense, as has already happened in other past experiences. The photograph will support the story and description of the themes discussed, contributing to the construction of an Atlas, which will be discussed in the exhibition.

The guiding cases proposed and examined with the “Postcards” mode and the respective keywords are:

- ***Matera Postcard***
- ***Taranto Postcard***
- ***Salento Postcard***

The three guide cards are the red thread through which to organize and collect other cards to be exhibited in a flexible exhibition, which will remain open throughout the Conference.

CALL FOR POSTCARDS

The Call will open on **January 27, 2019**. The modalities of participation will be communicated on the occasion of the launch of the call.

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YoungerSIUrs

For years, the SIU has been wondering how to support young people beyond the Annual Conference, the prize for the best paper for authors under 40 or the reduced rates, considering the youngest an essential part of the growth of the academic community of Italian town planners.

With this in mind, this year SIU is promoting an in-depth and shared workshop dedicated to the youngest members of SIU (YoungerSIUrs), at the end of the annual national conference.

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The purpose of this initiative is to reaffirm the attention to the youngest, connecting better the content and processing of our scientific society with the training and expectations of young urban planners, in order to build a more capable, motivated and competent community.

This year the residential workshop will last two days and will host a group of twenty PhD students or young researchers under 40 with the aim of continuing the reflection on the issues proposed by the Conference through lectures and shared work with a direct immersion.

The context of the workshop is the Alta Murgia National Park, a difficult place, a vast internal area that emerges as a conspicuous laceration in the Apulian settlement network, a large protected area in search of its territorial dimension.

Stimulated by a critical discussion on experiences developed in the 'Puglia laboratory' for the protection, enhancement and requalification of this open agro-pastoral landscape, we will solicit reflections on possible futures based on forms of re-appropriation of places and contextual knowledge that avoid the degradation, commodification and trivialization.

The workshop is intended as a place of contamination between knowledge, experimentation and innovation of inter-disciplinary practices. During the two days dedicated, participants will be stimulated to explore, reflect and work together with the aim of deepening individual and collective research paths, and find new inspiration and support from the experiences of others. In this fascinating framework, they will be encouraged to focus on thematic issues and keywords on which they will then focus their attention for a joint elaboration on some issues deemed relevant that may represent a contribution to the advancement of disciplinary reflection.

Overall, the program includes some lessons; a guided exploration of the places, divided into groups according to the research interests of the participants; collective discussions on the research topics of the participants; group work led by tutors from different disciplines oriented to knowledge, protection and enhancement of the landscape.

The materials produced will be the subject of a publication within the editorial circuits of SIU (Planum, Donzelli, etc.) and an exhibition in the Park of Alta Murgia.

CALL FOR PROPOSALS / YoungerSIUrs

Call/Y

It is possible to submit a **motivation letter and self-application of up to 3000 characters, including spaces**, to **youngersiurs@gmail.com** by February 28, 2019.

The participants selected for the workshop will be hosted at the Hotel Pirena-Wellness/Spa for the night of Saturday, June 8, with accommodation in a double room and breakfast for € 32.5 per person. The hotel is located in Ruvo di Puglia, a city that can be reached both from Bari Centrale railway station and Bari Palese airport in about 40 minutes by the Bari Nord underground train (<https://www.ferrovienordbarese.it/>). For selected young people participating in the SIU National Conference, the registration fees will have an additional discount.



REGISTRATION FEES

All participants to the XXII SIU Conference in Bari and Matera must pay the appropriate fees as follows:

Non-members SIU - Conference only

Senior 180 € / Junior 90 € (reduced to 170 € and 80 € if paid in full by May 15, 2019)

SIU members (individual or affiliated to an institutional partner) - Conference only

Senior 150 € / Junior 70 € (reduced to 140 € and 60 € if paid in full by May 15, 2019)

Individual registration to SIU for 2019 (not compulsory if affiliated to an institutional partner)

Senior 120 € / Junior 60 €

Conference Participation + individual registration to SIU for 2019

Senior 230 € / Junior 110 € (reduced to 220 € and 100 € if paid in full by May 15, 2019)

Note 1: Senior is understood to mean all full-time staff of universities and public administrations of any age, as well as all participants over the age of 40.

Note 2: the list of institutional partners of SIU is published in the following website:

www.societaurbanisti.it



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PAYMENT FORMS

Payment of the registration fees must be made before the conference using one of the following methods:

- by bank transfer to the following bank account in the name of:
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BIC SWIFT POS0IT22
payment description: CONFERENZA SIU MATERA-BARI 2019
- by credit card:
from February 27, 2019,
in the section regarding the XXII Conference 2019
of the following website:
www.societaurbanisti.it

