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ISOCARP – Urban Planning Society of China (UPSC) Young Planning Professionals National Workshop – Shenzhen 2014

Urban Revitalization - Building City with Equity and Vitality

(working title)

Shenzhen, People's Republic of China, June 23rd – 28th 2014

CALL for INTERNATIONAL CANDIDATES

BACKGROUND

ISOCARP and the Urban Planning Society of China (UPSC) have recently made an agreement which entails a **Young Planning Professionals National Workshop**, intended for Chinese and international young planners and being a part of the pre-congress activities.

OBJECTIVES AND THEME OF THE WORKSHOP:

The workshop aims to provide young Chinese and international planners responsible for, or participating in, the shaping and development of settlements, with the principles and practices of effective contemporary urbanism and practical knowledge that will be of immediate use to each participant.

The objective of the workshop is to provide the workshop participants with hands-on practical experiences. YPPs work in a studio setting under the *guidance of two international experts* from among the members of ISOCARP on a project site chosen jointly by ISOCARP, UPSC and representatives of the local partners from Shenzhen municipality and region. They will be accompanied by the ISOCARP Vice President responsible for the YPP program for the entire duration of their stay in Shenzhen. It is also intended to develop an example of the comprehensive (strategic) urban redevelopment exercise for the Chinese cities undergoing during recent years complex growth and transformation processes.

The theme of the workshop is associated with the regeneration of the large urban area, located in close proximity to Shenzhen Civic Center. The detailed first draft of the <u>workshop brochure</u> is attached.

AUDIENCE:

The workshop is targeted at junior Chinese and international planners. They come from various backgrounds such as architecture, civil engineering, spatial planning and real estate management. Most of them have professional degrees in planning and a few years of planning practice. It is intended that the workshop will gather **16 Chinese YPPs along with 4 international YPPs**.

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REQUIREMENTS FOR THE WORKSHOP COORDINATORS:

Tasks of the two selected coordinators:

- 1. Be responsible for the co-ordination of the framework, the scientific and professional content of the Workshop Theme in collaboration with local coordinators from UPSC.
- 2. Guide the Young Planning Professionals work throughout the workshop, stimulate discussions among them, instruct on the presentation format.
- 3. Coordinate the publication of the Workshop results in collaboration with the VP responsible for the YPP Program.

CONTRIBUTION AND EXPENSES:

The call for WORKSHOP COORDINATORS is open to ISOCARP Members only.

Tasks:

Each coordinator will spend 4 full days working with the YPP group during June 24-27 2014. Before and after, there may be a necessity of conducting meetings with local hosts and press. Therefore, coordinators shall arrive on 23rd of June in the early afternoon AT LATEST and depart not earlier than 28th of June in the morning.

Honorarium:

There will be no honorarium for the YPP Workshop coordinators for the duration of time they will spend guiding the YPPs

Expenses:

ISOCARP will provide the **international travel allowance** of up to 700 Euro for the selected coordinators. **ANY ADDITIONAL COSTS HAVE TO BE MET BY COORDINATORS BY THEMSELVES. ISOCARP HAS A LIMITED BUDGET FOR THIS ASSIGNMENT.** The money will be paid after completing the task **ACCORDING TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS PROVIDED FOR THE SELECTED CANDIDATES.** UPSC along with the local partners will be in charge of arranging **hotels, meals and local transportation** for the entire duration of the workshop within the agreed dates.

LOGISTICS:

- The location of the YPP Workshop will be Shenzhen, People's Republic of China
- Expected arrival dates to Shenzhen 23rd of June
- Departures should be scheduled: at the latest the day after the public presentation of the Workshop results

Coordinators are welcome to stay in China longer. However, their expenses for additional time spent in China beyond the time required for the workshop have to be borne by the participating members themselves. Both UPSC and ISOCARP should timely be informed on such an extension.

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Selected workshop coordinators will be asked to arrange the INTERNATIONAL trip on their own. Please note that the most convenient way to get to Shenzhen is to go through Hong Kong. PLEASE CONSULT YOUR TRAVEL PLANS IN ADVANCE WITH VP YPP Piotr Lorens.

Calendar

Issue of Call May 12, 2014 **Deadline - Reception of applications**Communication of Selection Results

May 23, 2014

May 27, 2014

Confirmation by selected Candidates May 31, 2014 at the latest

Participation documents to selected candidates between June 1 -7 , 2014

Travel arrangements/procedures in June, 2014
Arrival to Shenzhen (Workshop Coordinators) June 23, 2014

Departure (Workshop Coordinators)

June 28, 2014 (after public presentation of Workshop

results)

ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION:

Two Workshop International Coordinators will be selected from among the applications. ISOCARP welcomes applications from **full members** outside China with proven expertise in urban design and planning and with academic experience and/or teaching experience in similar professional training programs. International experience is a plus but not a must. Also, the basic understanding and/or interest in Chinese realities will be treated as advantage. The most effective composition of the team will be taken into account for the final selection.

It is intended to select both one "senior" and one "junior" coordinator, which should allow both, the provision of professional expertise and good abilities to work with the group of YPPs. For the "senior" coordinator post colleagues with extensive planning and/or educational practice are especially encouraged to apply. For the "junior" coordinator post former YPPs with further professional and/or educational experience are especially welcome to apply, although applications from colleagues not being part of previous YPP workshops are also welcome. The most effective composition of the team will be taken into account for the final selection. The final decision will be taken jointly by VP YPP and UPSC officials.

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. A CLEAR statement of intent explaining why you want to apply. Please be specific and refer to prior workshop coordination or participation experience. (maximum 1 page)
- 2. A 2 page Curriculum Vitae/Resume pointing out the relevant experience
- 3. A selected list of publications and/or conference papers.

Applications and CV (Resume) should be sent to isocarp@isocarp.org; kurth@isocarp.org

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SELECTION COMMITTEE:

An evaluation and final selection of candidates will be done by a Selection Committee formed by Piotr Lorens, ISOCARP YPP VP, as well as representatives of UPSC. Selected Candidates will be informed of their selection on May 27th, after which they will have to confirm their availability and participation to ISOCARP Headquarters not later than May 31st. Participation documents will be sent to them between June 1st-7th. Travel procedures (incl. visa if applicable) will start immediately after May 31st.

Any questions during these procedures should be sent to ISOCARP HQ, email address isocarp@isocarp.org; kurth@isocarp.org Tel: +(31-70) 346-2654, Fax: +(31-70) 361-7909

Any questions regarding the topic, on-site logistics and travel arrangement should be sent to VP YPP, Piotr Lorens: plorens@pg.gda.pl, plorens.pg@gmail.com, tel +48 605 433 885

TIME-LINE FOR THE WORKSHOP PROGRAM:

June 23rd, Monday

Afternoon: Arrival, group meeting and Team Organization

Evening: Welcome dinner, first workshop participants meeting

June 24th, Tuesday

Morning: Workshop topic introduction, Field trip,
Afternoon: First analysis of the site, problem statement
Evening: Formulation of the design / planning problems

June 25th, Wednesday

All Day: Studio work in teams – first discussions on the problem solution, development of the planning and design proposals for the site

June 26th, Thursday

All Day: Studio work in teams – refining the proposed development concept, preparation of the specific design solutions, development of the final project presentation

June 27th, Friday

Morning: Presentation of workshop results by each team to a larger audience to be invited by UPSC, discussions and closing.