

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

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CITIES SAVE THE WORLD. LET'S REINVENT PLANNING.

19/10/2015 – 23/10/2015 – GRONINGEN, AMSTERDAM, DELFT, WAGENINGEN, SCHIPHOL, EINDHOVEN, **ROTTERDAM**, ANTWERP, DEVENTER, MAASTRICHT, DORTMUND, BRUSSELS

Call for papers, case studies and projects.

The 51st ISOCARP International Planning Congress "**Cities Save the World: Let's Reinvent Planning**" will take place from **19 to 23 October 2015** in the Netherlands, Belgium and Germany. ISOCARP, the International Society of City and Regional Planners, was founded in 1965 in the Netherlands. It will be a festive occasion as ISOCARP is celebrating its **50th anniversary**.

True to its exploratory spirit, ISOCARP is staging a congress with a difference for its 50th anniversary. Cities are increasingly seen as the engines of national economies and the 2015 Dutch hosts are attributing them the driving seat at the congress. Twelve cities in **the Netherlands, Belgium and Germany** will host **2-day** interactive workshops on topical themes to planners worldwide on 19 and 20 October. In each city the discussion will be lead by two co- rapporteurs assisted by young planning professionals.

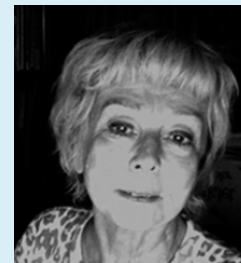
The conclusions and lessons learnt of the workshops will be debated at the plenary in Rotterdam, Netherlands from 21 to 23 October. The plenary will culminate in a debate on "Let's reinvent planning". The debate led by world renowned thinkers about **the economy, the environment and socio-cultural issues** will provide the members with an opportunity to critically reflect on planning and the role and responsibilities of planners. Participants will be invited to explore how the planning profession may develop over the next 50 years, and what personal commitments they wish to make towards planning.

Congress participants are invited to make professional contributions to one of the **12 workshops**. They may submit papers, research results, but also practical experiences, pilot projects, spatial strategies, plans, or case studies. All of these contributions have to be directly relevant to the respective **12 city topics** and the submissions have to be directed to a specific workshop.

Planning professionals from all over the world are welcome to make a concrete contribution to the workshops of the **51st ISOCARP congress** and participate in the plenary debate on '**rethinking planning**'.

All these contributions will form substantive inputs to the city workshops and will contribute to the feedback synthesis prepared by the co-rapporteurs. All the individual contributions will be published in the congress proceedings.

An invitation by Judith Ryser, General Rapporteur of the 2015 ISOCARP Congress



Educated as an architect and urbanist with an MSc in social sciences, Judith Ryser is dedicating her cosmopolitan professional life to the built environment and its sustainability. She is engaged in

academic research, teaching, public sector posts, private practice, community groups, writing, editing and journalism. Her research in London, Paris, Berlin, Stockholm, Geneva (United Nations) and Madrid focused on cities and development strategies with emphasis on Europe.

ISOCARP

The International Society of City and Regional Planners (ISOCARP) is a global association of experienced professional planners.

The network consists of 720 individual and institutional members from more than 80 countries worldwide. As an NGO ISOCARP is recognised by the UN, UNCHS and the Council of Europe. The Society also has a formal consultative status with UNESCO.

The wealth and diversity of professional expertise, knowledge, and experience in the ISOCARP membership is unmatched in the Planning Field. ISOCARP members come from academia, government, organisations and agencies as well as from consultancies and the private sector.

From 1965 onwards ISOCARP Congresses have taken place in all parts of the world on cutting edge topics and always promoting knowledge creation and sharing in the planning profession.

The workshop themes are:

1-Wageningen

> *How to feed the world's metropolises?*

2-Maastricht

> *How to build a trans-boundary urban system?*

3-Rotterdam

> *How to develop unprecedented port-city synergy?*

4-Dortmund, Ruhr Region, Germany

> *How to leverage economic growth from spatial projects?*

5-Deventer

> *How to implement a legal framework for local integrated planning?*

6-Antwerp, Belgium

> *How to rework the productive city?*

7-Eindhoven

> *How to react when traditional industries move away?*

8-Schiphol Amsterdam

> *How to connect in a globalised world?*

9-Groningen

> *How to sustain water and energy resources?*

10-Delft

> *How to create a sustainable knowledge region?*

11-Amsterdam

> *How to build the city in a cooperative way?*

12-Brussels, Belgium

> *How to harness human resources for development under austerity?*



ISOCARP 2015 congress: location of 12 workshop cities

Congress Highlights

:: ISOCARP is coming of age. It is reaching 50. **Join ISOCARP's 50th anniversary** to celebrate its achievements.

:: Enjoy an ISOCARP congress with a difference: **participate hands-on in a workshop** on a theme of your choice in one of the twelve host cities in the Netherlands, Belgium or Germany.

:: Participate actively in the feedback of the twelve workshops at the **plenary session in Rotterdam** and join the mayors' summit where planners and politicians will express their mutual expectations of each other.

:: **Have your say.** This congress is calling on the views of all participants at the main debates with keynote speakers, mayors, ministers and developers on the future of planning and the planning profession.

:: **Create and share knowledge** with your fellow planners in a stunning venue in the Port of Rotterdam where ample opportunities are laid on for networking and initiating future cooperation with other members.

:: **Enjoy the hospitality** of North West Europe, the safari through Rotterdam, the trip on the river with local surprises.

:: **ISOCARP needs your ideas for its next fifty years.**

Key dates

24 April 2015:

Deadline for abstract submission

28 May 2015:

Authors will receive selection results

6 July 2015:

Deadline for full papers wishing a peer review

27 July 2015:

Deadline for other workshop contributions not wishing peer review – papers, case studies, pilot projects



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