The world has never been as interconnected as it is today. Technologies and transport are changing at a very rapid pace and offering new opportunities and possibly new urban forms and new relationships between infrastructure and city.

The topic of global connectivity generated an initial exploration of airports and airport related developments around the world. Schiphol gave focus to hub airports and the inevitability (or otherwise) of airport development (aerotropolis, airport city, area, sky city etc). Important factors were considered such as that airport travel continues to double every 15 years, even in Europe where population growth is slower and car travel is reducing. The city often tends to move towards the airport – often simply to capitalise on the airport land side transport infrastructure. The workshop concluded that in the future, potential urban reciprocities between airports and cities will generate new forms of symbiosis.

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