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52nd ISOCARP Congress – Durban, South Africa
Young Planning Professionals' Workshop



Cities we have vs. Cities we need

(working title)

Durban, South Africa, September 9th – 12th 2016

CALL for INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPANTS – YOUNG PLANNING PROFESSIONALS

BACKGROUND:

Since 1991 ISOCARP has organized – along with the annual congress – the Young Planning Professionals' workshop, intended to stimulate the professional interests and the development of planning skills of the youngest members of the planners' family. According to this tradition, the YPP workshop will be offered again during the 52nd ISOCARP congress that is to be held in Durban, South Africa. The workshop itself will take place between September 9th and 11th, and the final presentation will be on September 13th, during the first day of the congress. The workshop will be organized in partnership with University of Kwa Zulu Natal, which will be hosting the workshop participants.

OBJECTIVES AND THEME OF THE WORKSHOP:

The workshop aims to provide young planners responsible for or participating in the shaping and development of urban structures, 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. The project site will be chosen jointly by ISOCARP and the Local Organizing Committee.

The theme of the workshop reflects the general congress theme and will be adjusted in the course of the workshop preparations.

AUDIENCE:

The workshop is targeted at young professionals, up to 35 years old. They come from various backgrounds such as architecture, civil engineering, spatial science technology and real estate management.

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CONTRIBUTION AND EXPENSES:

Tasks:

Each participant will spend 3 full days working with the YPP group during September 9th – 11th, 2016. The final presentation of the workshop results is intended for September 13th, 11.30-13.00. Before and after, there may be a necessity of conducting meetings with local hosts and press. **Therefore, all participants shall arrive on September 8th in the early afternoon AT LATEST and depart not earlier than September 17th in the morning – after the congress concludes.**

IN ADDITION TO THE PARTICIPATION IN THE YPP WORKSHOP, 6 of the selected Young Planners will be offered an opportunity to become a Support Congress Team Member. This means that – both before and during the congress – they will be involved in the preparation and running of and reporting on the congress activities. This exceptional opportunity shall allow the Young Planners to get more seriously involved in the entire congress.

Expenses:

The cost of modest accommodation and meals during the workshop as well as local transportation during the workshop will be covered by the organizers. However, ISOCARP will not be able to provide any assistance with respect to travel expenses. The selected workshop participants will be asked to arrange the trip on their own and not arrive in Durban later than Sept. 8th in the afternoon. Departures should be scheduled not earlier than September 17th in the morning. Participants are also welcome to stay in South Africa longer and to participate in the other congress activities as well as in the post-congress tour on their own cost.

Selected workshop participants will be asked to arrange the INTERNATIONAL trip on their own. **PLEASE CONSULT YOUR TRAVEL PLANS IN ADVANCE WITH VP YPP Piotr Lorens.**

PLEASE NOTE THAT EACH YPP WORKSHOP PARTICIPANT HAS TO BEAR THE CONGRESS FEE, which – although reduced as per normal price – still has to be paid. PLEASE NOTE THAT ISOCARP CANNOT WAIVE THE CONGRESS FEE for the participants.

Calendar

Issue of Call	March 17th, 2016
Deadline - Reception of applications	April 4th, 2016
Communication of Selection Results	May 15th, 2016
Confirmation by selected Candidates	May 22nd, 2016 at the latest
Participation documents to selected candidates	between May 15 th – May 30 th , 2016
Travel arrangements/procedures	between May 15 th – July 15 th , 2016
Arrival to Durban	September 8 th , 2016
Departure	September 17 th , 2016



ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION:

The call for **INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS** is open to **YOUNG PLANNING PROFESSIONALS FROM OUTSIDE South Africa**. Candidates should have some basic planning skills. Successful candidates should have a background in planning, urban design, social sciences, real estate and/or regional economics, geography, or architectural studies. It is required that the candidates are under 35 years old.

Candidates complying with the above criteria have to compile/send a set of documents which include:

1. **Application Form (signed, to be sent back digitally) – see template on website**
2. **Curriculum Vitae in accordance to ISOCARP CV standard format – see template on website**
3. **Recommendation Letter (drafted/signed by an ISOCARP member, their employer or by their university professor)**
4. **An abstract for the congress – please see the congress website: <http://isocarp.org/52nd-isocarp-congress/>**

All applications should be sent to kurth@isocarp.org

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 selected coordinators. Selected Candidates will be informed of their selection, after which they will have to confirm their availability and participation to the ISOCARP Head Office. Participation documents will be sent to them shortly afterwards. Travel procedures (incl. visa if applicable) will start immediately after the selection process is completed.

Any questions during these procedures should be sent to the ISOCARP Head Office, email address kurth@isocarp.org; isocarp@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; phone: +48 605 433 885