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### ISOCARP – TUP (Society of Polish Town Planners) – City of Gdynia Young Planning Professionals National Workshop – Gdynia 2016

## "New Approaches to Urban Housing"

(working tite)

Gdynia, Poland, June 19th – 25th, 2016

# CALL for PARTICIPANTS – YOUNG PLANNING PROFESSIONALS

#### **BACKGROUND**

ISOCARP, the City of Gdynia and TUP (Society of Polish Town Planners) have recently made an agreement which entails a **Young Planning Professionals National Workshop**, intended for Polish and international young planners and being part of a wider scheme of cooperation between the organizations involved. The workshop will be organized along with the International Conference on "Urban Housing", hosted by the City of Gdynia.

#### **OBJECTIVES AND THEME OF THE WORKSHOP:**

The workshop aims to provide young Polish 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 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 and host organizations. They will be accompanied by the ISOCARP Vice President responsible for the YPP program for the entire duration of their stay in Gdynia. It is also intended to develop an innovative approach to urban housing, which can be later on disseminated widely, also including the presentation during the conference following the workshop itself. At the same time it is intended that the workshop becomes a source of ideas regarding the new approach to housing policy within the Central and Eastern European cities.

The theme of the workshop is associated with RETHINKING THE APPROACH TO URBAN HOUSING. Details of the assignment will be communicated to the selected Young Planning Professionals.



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#### **AUDIENCE:**

The workshop is targeted at junior Polish 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 12 Polish YPPs along with 12 international YPPs.

#### **CONTRIBUTION AND EXPENSES:**

#### Tasks:

Each participant will spend 5 full days working with the YPP group during June 19<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Afterwards, Young Planners will be invited to participate in the conference dealing with the same topic. Before and after, there may be a necessity of conducting meetings with the local hosts and the press. **Therefore** participants are supposed to arrive on 19<sup>th</sup> of June Mid-day at the latest and depart not earlier than June 24<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon.

#### **Expenses:**

The City of Gdynia 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. These will be free of charge for the selected YPPs. Any additional cost, including the international travel) (nearest airport: Gdansk, code: GDN) have to be borne by the participants themselves.

#### **LOGISTICS:**

- The location of the YPP Workshop will be Gdynia, Poland
- Expected arrival date to Gdynia: June 19<sup>th</sup> mid-day
- Departures should be scheduled: at the earliest the day after the public presentation of the Workshop results.

Participants are welcome to stay longer in Poland. However, their expenses for additional time spent in Poland beyond the time required for the workshop have to be borne by the participating members themselves.

Selected workshop participants will be asked to arrange the INTERNATIONAL trip on their own. **Please** communicate your travel plans in advance to VP YPP Piotr Lorens.



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#### Calendar

Issue of Call

**Deadline - Reception of applications Communication of Selection Results Confirmation by selected Candidates** 

Travel arrangements/procedures Arrival to Gdynia

Departure

May 9th, 2016 May 27th, 2016 May 31st, 2016 June 6th, 2016 at the latest

in June, 2016 June 19th, 2016 June 24th, 2016 (after public presentation of Workshop

results)

#### **ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION:**

The call for WORKSHOP INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPANTS is open to YOUNG PLANNING PROFESSIONALS. 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 website
- 2. Curriculum Vitae in accordance to ISOCARP CV standard format see website
- 3. Recommendation Letter (drafted/signed by an ISOCARP member, their employer or by their university professor)

All applications should be sent to kurth@isocarp.org as well as to plorens@pg.gda.pl and to dzaluska@pg.gda.pl.

#### **SELECTION COMMITTEE:**

An evaluation and final selection of candidates will be made by a Selection Committee formed by Piotr Lorens, ISOCARP YPP VP, as well as representatives of partner organizations. 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 isocarp@isocarp.org; kurth@isocarp.org; Phone: +(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, Phone +48 605 433 885, and/or to Dorota Kamrowska-Zaluska: dzaluska@pg.gda.pl.

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