CALL for INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPANTS
YOUNG PLANNING PROFESSIONALS

Young Planning Professionals’ Workshop
organised as part of the 54th ISOCARP WORLD CONGRESS
BODØ, NORWAY, 27 September - 1 October 2018

Cool and Connected: Planning Bodø through Urban Flows

BACKGROUND

The Young Planning Professionals’ Programme was initiated in 1991 at the 26th ISOCARP Congress in Guadalajara, Mexico. Since then, senior members of ISOCARP have happily – and at times perhaps a little enviously – observed the competition for admission to the workshop, the creative spirit of the workshop itself, and the enthusiastic response of the participants. It has become tradition to organise the workshops in the week preceding the annual world congress in order to provide unique opportunities to Young Planning Professionals (YPPs) to share their experiences in an attempt to resolve complex and multi-dimensional planning problems. The YPP Programme, together with workshops and intensive training programmes, has become a source of meaningful debate, and new ideas and rejuvenation for the Society; and has made a huge impact on participants’ professional lives. It has contributed towards making life-long friendships beyond borders, languages, cultures and professional backgrounds. According to this tradition, two YPP workshop will be offered this year during the 54th ISOCARP World Planning Congress, one of which will take place in Bodø, Norway. The workshop itself will take place between 27 September and 1 October, and the final presentation will be scheduled during one of the congress sessions. The workshop will be organised in partnership with Bodø Municipality.
OBJECTIVES OF THE WORKSHOP

Since 1991, the objective of ISOCARP's Young Planning Professionals' Workshops has been to bring together young professional urban planners from all parts of the world. The workshops aim to provide young professionals with an opportunity to work in a multi-cultural setting, share their experiences on real-life planning problems, and exchange ideas and learn from each other. At the same time, it is intended to engage them in planning exercise under the guidance of highly-qualified practitioners with extensive international experience. In terms of desired results, it is intended that the YPP workshop results become an important part of the 54th ISOCARP World Planning Congress, and the outcomes will be available both to congress delegates and all interested members of the Society (in the forms of public presentation, exhibition, publication and website dissemination). On the other hand, the workshop results will serve the Bodø Municipality in defining possible solutions of the given planning problem with fresh and innovative ideas. The workshop results may be of potential interest to other key stakeholders, including Nordland County, universities and other public and private infrastructure providers. In addition to the practical outcomes of the workshop exercise, its results may also contribute to the wider congress discussions, as the topic is strongly associated with the Congress theme of ‘cool planning’.

NATURE OF THE WORKSHOP

The YPP Workshops are organised in the week preceding the annual ISOCARP Congress and focus specifically on the Congress's main theme. The project site is chosen jointly by ISOCARP and the Local Organising Committee. Over a concentrated period of three days, the YPPs work in closely-knit international teams, exchanging ideas and learning from each other under the guidance of international experts among the members of ISOCARP accompanied by the local coordinator(s), lecturers as well as the Vice President responsible for the YPP programme throughout the process. The workshops are brief, but very intense, brainstorming planning and design exercises. They provide a synergetic platform where new ideas and creative solutions to complex and multifaceted urban issues are produced. YPPs are required to defend their ideas in front of a critical jury, the participants of the annual congress. The teams have to prepare a well-rehearsed presentation that frequently catches the special attention of the planning authorities. The tangible results are then presented at the main congress, are published in a Workshop Report, both on the ISOCARP website and different digital mediums. The intangible ones, however, stay in the hearts and minds of the participant YPPs, who not only learn from each other, but also make life-long friends. We strongly recommend you read the past YPP workshop reports, which are available on the ISOCARP website. This will provide further guidance as to the calibre of results to be achieved.

VENUE: BODØ

Few other Norwegian cities and towns have been gifted with such magnificent and spectacular scenery as Bodø. The town provides a fascinating mixture of superb nature
and a modern, urban and vibrant lifestyle. The regional capital of the County of Nordland has apparently been reaching for the stars in recent years, rapidly closing in on citizen number 52,000. Currently, Bodø is experiencing growth in population and it is transforming into a larger, modern Norwegian and in particular, Arctic city as one of the fastest growing towns in the whole of Norway. Population projections show continued growth, and based on median projections of a 1.15% increase every year, the population will hit 89,000 in 2065.

Bodø is part of the landscape and region called Salten, which covers nine municipalities. The municipality’s central areas are located on the Bodø Peninsula. At the north lies Kjerringøy, whereas Tverlandet, Saltstraumen and Skjerstad lie at the south. These four are the Municipality of Bodø’s main districts outside of its more urban neighbourhoods. Bodø’s history dates back all the way to the Stone Age, when stable access to fish attracted people to Saltstraumen, the oldest settlement of the city. The area that today is home to city centre used to be seafront land, but when the water receded, the large, flat areas at the tip of the Bodø Peninsula were gradually converted to farmland. The stable fishery meant that Bodø was awarded town status on 20 May 1816. The purpose of this award was to establish a trading place near Lofoten, so that traders didn’t have to take the fish through Bergen, which thus far, had monopolized the Norwegian saltwater fishery. Bodø’s population did not flourish immediately, however.
It wasn’t until the 1860s, with the herring fishery, that Bodø made its mark. The city was rebuilt after World War II, and urban developments have since expanded well beyond the original downtown area.

The urban development area is home to approximately 85% of the municipality’s population and an approximate population density of 2500 per km², which makes it Norway’s fifth most densely populated area, ahead of larger cities, including Bergen, Kristiansand and Drammen. Since the 1960s, residential developments have largely moved east along Rv 80, approximately ten kilometres out from city centre. This axis includes the neighbourhoods of Hunstad and Mørkved, which have their own community centres, but still feel like traditional suburbs or commuter towns. In recent years, the town has also expanded north, along an axis reaching toward Kjerringøy, including the neighbourhoods of Skivika and Løpsmarka. Løding is the Municipality of Bodø’s second largest town, located 15 kilometres east of city centre, on the Tverlandet Peninsula.

In recent years, Bodo has become less dependent on fisheries, and while this is still an important industry, focus has shifted toward professional service and administrative enterprises. In 2014, the City Council adopted the overall strategic plan named ‘Bodø 2030’. The vision presented in the plan is for Bodø to become an attractive capital in the North by 2030. The strategic plan contains six different focus areas including sustainable city development (Please see, PLAN 5 Magazine about the ‘New Airport – Smart Bodø’ initiative).

54th ISOCARP WORLD PLANNING CONGRESS:
COOL PLANNING: CHANGING CLIMATE AND OUR URBAN FUTURE

On this warming planet, with its population more than 50% urban, we urgently need cooler cities and towns. And good urban planning can help deliver them. The aim of ISOCARP’s 54th Annual Congress is no small feat: the Society is calling on the best and brightest of the planning profession to come to Bodø, Norway and tell us how to save civilisation. Nothing less.

Bodø itself is cool in both senses of the word: this quaint and human-scale seaside town is located only 80 km inside the Arctic Circle. The location of the conference is significant: The Arctic has been affected by an unsettling mix of air and ocean phenomena, to the point where many reputable scientists now openly speculate about the possibility of an abrupt and catastrophic climate ‘shift’, rather than the commonly discussed climate ‘change’. Whether shift or change, the planet’s ‘refrigerator’ may indeed be irreversibly broken. If this is the case, the new Arctic climate will not stay there – it will affect the entire globe. The level of risk is without precedent in human history. This sets the agenda of the 54th Congress as one of the most ambitious in ISOCARP’s history.

We believe the future of civilisation now more than ever depends on the way we plan and manage our cities and towns. Their role in the evolving planetary climate drama is three-fold – cities and towns are the villains; the victims, and the potential saviours.
Villains – because urban areas are the principal consumers and polluters of the tiny habitable layer on our planet we call the ‘biosphere’. Victims – because more than half of humanity lives in urban areas, and almost all of them are exposed to some form of climate impact. Saviours – because the possible remedies and solutions can be applied efficiently, effectively and in time, only when populations are concentrated. So the root cause of, and the solution to, the global climate crisis are fundamentally urban. Planning responses fall into two camps: Sustainability and Resilience. Sustainability has been for some time the code word for our aggregate efforts to mitigate the process of climate change. Resilience is a relatively new buzzword, which describes our attempts to prepare for, and adapt to, those impacts of changed climate, which now appear inevitable.

This Congress thus recognises that not only is human-induced climate change our new reality, but also that Sustainability / Mitigation and Resilience / Adaptation are two conjoined agendas, both indispensable for our survival. There is considerable and ever louder debate among scientists and policy shapers about the relative weight of the two agendas. The underlying contention is about just how serious and urgent our situation is, and therefore which agenda of the two should take precedence. As the Congress organisers, we take no sides in this ongoing debate. However, we certainly encourage contributors to state their feelings about whether a ‘global (urban) emergency’ should be declared, or not yet.

Then, accordingly to the stated view, we expect the authors to position their papers and case studies at any point on the continuum between the optimist view – which still stresses mitigation and the sustainability agenda – and the pessimist view – which argues that it is too late for sustainability and that from now on we must focus on adaptation, resilience and sheer survival. We encourage this full range of views both because of the series of catastrophic weather events witnessed in 2017 – and then a few more in early 2018 – and because the discussion on whether climate change is ‘accelerating’ and whether we are already experiencing ‘abrupt’ or ‘runaway’ climate change, is now openly present in the mainstream media and in government policy deliberations. Again, we encourage the authors to declare their own – or their ‘organisations’ – perception of the risks involved. After all, this is not new to planners; town, city and regional planning has never been free of the struggle to assess future risk.

Yet another big dilemma for planners these days is whether required mitigation and adaptation strategies should target urban form – especially shape and density – or urban processes, which produce the form. After half a century of experience with the widely popular concept of ‘compact city’ we know that this is a good idea, but one difficult to implement in the era of mass auto-mobility, and ubiquitous electricity, telephone and internet. Compact urban form policies typically hit obstacles in implementation. And even when implemented, they often under-deliver in terms of the environmental and social benefits originally expected. It appears then that planning instruments should not be targeting urban form, but urban flows that generate it. In other words, that our policies should target ‘urban metabolism’ – the aggregate flow of resources, energy and information. Or, to be less abstract, the technologies, economic models and cultural attitudes that maintain that metabolism at an untenable rate and
volume, producing dangerous level of dependency. Having said that, it is still true that form affects flows, just as it is true that flows generate urban form. Following this rationale, we conclude that tackling form in ways which will curb flows, while simultaneously regulating flows in ways which will force incremental transformation of form, is the only way to generate sophisticated, radical, truly innovative urban planning, urban design, urban policy and urban economic solutions. These are the solutions that offer hope of navigating the challenging age of climate change.

Radical innovation is the only way to attain ‘cool planning’ – which in turn is supposed to deliver ‘cool’ cities and towns. ‘Cool’ in both senses of the word – as places desirable for living and doing business, and places with a metabolism brought down to the level at which this small planet can support them in perpetuity. There is no alternative. On a warming planet, cooler cities are the only option.

**THEME OF THE WORKSHOP**

**Cool and Connected: Planning Bodø through Urban Flows**

As defined in the agenda of the 54th ISOCARP World Planning Congress, the future of civilisation now more than ever depends on the way we plan and manage our cities and towns. While this agenda calls for aggregate efforts to rethink sustainability, mitigation, resilience and adaptation, how we perceive urban form and urban flows appears as the major strategic fields of action in navigating the challenges of our urban future:

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Thus, the Young Planning Professionals’ Workshop in Bodø will search for innovative and smart solutions to navigate planning through diverse forms of urban flows. We are more than ever aware that there is a need to focus on how to generate more effective flow of people and services through ‘cooler’ transportation policy and planning. This includes finding solutions that limits traffic jams and get their citizens to end destinations as fast as possible with the help of modern technology. This is not only about making the best
connections for different transportation modes; it is also about planning the everyday functions in connection with the wider transportation networks. People will have choices to walk, to bike or commute by public transportation. There is also a need to focus on flows through open public space networks and particularly green connections. Getting to a place as effective and fast as possible is not always important; sometimes it is about connecting places and people through the green. Green connections not only provide important tracks for urban exploration and experience, but also become part of ‘soft’ transportation such as bicycling and walking.

The three case study areas of the workshop below offer the potential to rethink urban flows based on connections and mobilities for a cooler and more connected Bodø.

Case study 1 - How to connect the new with the old?

In Bodø, the distance between the existing airport and the city is shorter than in most of Norwegian cities, which provides a unique opportunity to rethink mobilities and means of non-motorised transportation to and from the airport. However, the Parliament of Norway recently decided to relocate most of the military activity from Bodø further south to Ørlandet. This is a dramatic resolution and an opportunity at the same time. The existing runway is soon to be outdated leaving a vast land in need of regeneration. Based on these premises, the Norwegian Parliament decided to provide funding for the relocation of the airport taking into consideration the increasing population and the scarcity of land within the municipality. The new location of the airport will be 900 metres south of the existing runway (see figure), instead of a new airport at the periphery of the city. This will aid the city to expand outwards from its core. The questions to be responded are then includes: How to connect the existing built environment with the new? How to make a livable city without barriers? How to commute in an accessible, climate friendly way between the existing and expanding city? How to respond to the harsh northern climate?

Case study 2 – How to connect the sea with the mountains?

On its way from the mountains to the sea, the Bodø River flows through a large belt of green fields. Adjacent land is mainly used for farming with a popular hiking trail along the river. The trail holds an important position in the hearts and minds of the Bodø citizens, and its future is a subject of local debate. At the south by the sea, there is an important heritage site with a new museum to be build. The trail continues northwards by the Bodø River through further heritage sites until it crosses a new highway system currently under construction. The main highway, the train line and scattered clusters of buildings disrupts this area. The north of the highway contains large agricultural areas, and there is a connection to the major trail system as part of Bodø’s main recreational areas (Bodømarka). The trail system continues eastward to the national park, Sjunkhatten. It is desired to preserve this popular trail as an important connection between sea and mountains. This large belt of green field’s unique position close to town centre and adjacent to the new development area provides a highly interesting opportunity to be
transformed into an urban greenbelt. This leads to the question on how to connect the sea with the mountains? How to preserve the trail in the future? How to link the trail with surrounding areas? How can this area function on different levels as a green, urban and sustainable addition to the town as a whole?

Case study 3 – How to connect the waterfront with the city?

The city core of Bodø is approximately 193,000 square metres (dark grey area on the map). The municipality is collaborating with other local stakeholders to expand the city core by developing a 50,000 square metres (red circle) immediately to the southwest. The project area along the waterfront is currently an industrial site. The industry owners are planning to relocate their growing businesses due to shortage of vacant land and infrastructural insufficiencies. The plan is to transform this industrial site into a place for new housing, shops, offices and more. The project area borders the existing city core with a marina; a recreational area to the southwest, a large residential area to the southeast. The focus of this case study is to propose design strategies for a new development at the waterfront, which best enhances the city centre, while exploring ways to connect this extension to the existing city core taking into account the ambitions of a zero emission neighbourhood.

Case study areas of the YPP Workshop
EXPECTED RESULTS

Each participant will spend 4 full days working with the YPP group between 28 September and 1 October. The workshop results will be presented during the 54th ISOCARP congress to be held at the Stormen Concert Hall, Scandic Havet and Radisson Blu Hotels in Bodø. The presentation will take place during one of the congress plenaries (date to be announced soon). Before and after, there may be a necessity of conducting meetings with local hosts and press. After the Young Planning Professionals’ Workshop, all YPPs have to participate in the 54th ISOCARP World Planning Congress (October 1-4, 2018). Therefore, all participants should arrive on 27 September in the early afternoon at the latest and depart not earlier than 5 October in the morning – after the congress concludes. It is expected that the workshop will be concluded with:

- preliminary presentation to local officials and other interested parties
- final presentation to congress audience, conducted during the congress
- YPP exhibition conducted during the congress
- final report, prepared using all gathered materials

In addition to the participation in the YPP workshop, 6 of the selected Young Planners may 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. Thus, please mention your willingness to volunteer and contribute as a Congress Team Member when apply for the workshop.

YOUNG PLANNING PROFESSIONALS’ WORKSHOP REPORT

All YPPs are obliged to write down the results of the work of their specific group during the congress or immediately after under the supervision of workshop coordinators. The final lay-out, printing, etc. of the publication will be done by ISOCARP and local organisers. (For examples of past years have a look at the ISOCARP website: Publications). For the purpose of this, workshop coordinators (along with 2-3 selected participants) will collect all materials and prepare the first draft of the report.

YOUNG PLANNING PROFESSIONALS’ WORKSHOP EXHIBITION

All results of YPP Workshops are exhibited during the annual ISOCARP World Congress for the effective and interactive dissemination of knowledge. All YPPs are obliged to publish the results of the work of their specific group in an ISOCARP YPP Poster format before the congress starts (The format will be given to participants during the workshop). The final lay-out will be done by YPP participants under the supervision of the Workshop Coordinators. The printing of the posters will be done by ISOCARP and local organisers.
YOUNG PLANNING PROFESSIONALS’ AWARD: ROUTLEDGE POSTER PRIZE AND EXHIBITION

ISOCARP is very grateful to Routledge for this activity that gives extra flavour to the Congress. The Young Planning Professionals’ Award (Routledge Poster Prize) was initiated in 1997 by past president Derek Lyddon and is part of an agreement with Routledge. The award is made possible by Routledge Publishers (UK) that gives an annual grant to ISOCARP. This grant is awarded to the best poster(s) in the Routledge Poster Exhibition during the annual ISOCARP Congress. This competition has stimulated great interest, especially among young members, and has produced many imaginative works.

All YPPs – whether accepted or not for Paper Presentation in the main Congress – are asked to bring along a Poster (in A1) related to the Congress Theme. All Posters are exhibited at the main Congress Venue and evaluated by a YPP Award Committee. The Award is given to the Poster that best presents the contents of the paper in a visual way. The technical content (the information, data, arguments and ideas presented in the poster, and its inherent interest, originality and potential for application) and communicative quality (use of the poster as a medium of communication – to attract interest and to effectively convey information and ideas) are the most important criteria in addition to graphic quality.

CONTRIBUTION AND EXPENSES

The cost of modest accommodation (shared twin rooms) in Thon Hotel Nordlys for the entire duration of the workshop and congress, as well as boarding (lunches) and local transportation for the entire duration of the workshop will be covered by the LOC within the agreed dates. Transportation from airport to hotel and vice versa will be arranged by participants themselves, since it is in walking distance! ISOCARP can neither be able to provide any assistance with respect to international travel expenses nor waive the congress fee for workshop participants. However, ISOCARP has recently launched initiatives such as YPP Legacy Programme to provide grants especially for participants from underdeveloped regions of the world. Please check out the availability of the YPP Legacy Programme in your home country.

Participants are also welcome to stay in Norway longer than 5th October and to participate in other congress activities such as post-congress tours. However, their expenses for additional time spent in Norway beyond the time required for the workshop and congress have to be borne by themselves.

Please discuss your travel plans in advance with VP YPP Zeynep Gunay.

Kindly note that each YPP Workshop participant has to pay the (reduced) congress fee. ISOCARP cannot waive the congress fee for the participants.

All participants have to take care of their own health and travel insurance.
ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION

The call for workshop participants is open to YOUNG PLANNING PROFESSIONALS - professionals or Masters/Doctorate students in Planning, Urban Design, Policy Development, Geography, Architecture, Social and Political Sciences, or another related discipline. It is intended that the workshop will gather 22 YPPs (16 International and 6 Norwegian), who are not older than 35 years and who offer a keen interest in the workshop and upcoming congress theme.

Candidates complying with the above criteria have to submit the Online Application Form compiling the set of documents below:

- Curriculum Vitae pointing out the relevant experience (please use the ISOCARP Template)
- A portrait photograph (5x5 cm, in 300 dpi)
- Recommendation Letter (drafted/signed by an ISOCARP member, employer or university professor)
- A clear scan of the passport (photo page) and information whether you need a visa to Norway, and – in the positive case – which country/city/consulate you will be applying.
- An abstract for the 54th ISOCARP World Congress – please see the congress website: https://isocarp.org/2018congress/

Please also mention your expression of interest / willingness to volunteer and contribute as a Congress Team Member when applying for the workshop. One participant per group will act as 'group leader', thus please indicate your willingness to act as a group leader in your application as well.

SELECTION COMMITTEE

An evaluation and final selection of candidates will be done by a Selection Committee formed by Zeynep Gunay, ISOCARP YPP VP, local coordinators, as well as selected coordinators. The following aspects also have to be taken into account: (i) equal
participation per continent (ii) equal and inclusive representation of gender (iii) representation of different disciplines related to planning. 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 (including visa if applicable) will start immediately after selection process has been completed. Regarding congress participation, the abstracts will be evaluated by the General Rapporteur of the congress and the congress team.

Possible selection results

The YPP candidate is selected by both the ISOCARP Vice President responsible for YPP/ YPP Programme Committee/Workshop Coordinators and the General Rapporteur/ Congress Team. In this case:

- The candidate will be invited for participation in the YPPs’ Workshop.
- The candidate will be invited as a ‘Presenter’ to one of main congress Workshops.
- The candidate will be officially considered a YPP and is expected to participate (compulsory) in both the YPPs Programme held prior to the congress as well as to the main congress.

The YPP candidate is selected by the ISOCARP Vice President responsible for YPP/YPP Programme Committee/Workshop Coordinators, but not by the General Rapporteur/ Congress Team. In this case:

- The candidate will be invited for participation in the YPPs’ Workshop.
- The candidate will not be invited as a ‘Paper Presenter’ to one of main congress Workshops.
- The candidate will nevertheless be officially considered a YPP and is expected to participate (compulsory) in both the YPPs Programme prior to the congress and to the main congress.

The YPP candidate is selected by the General Rapporteur/Congress Team, but not by the ISOCARP Vice President responsible for YPP/YPP Programme Committee/Workshop Coordinators. In this case:

- The candidate will not be invited for participation in the YPPs’ Workshop.
- The candidate will be invited to present at one of main congress Workshops, only. He/she can register in the Congress Category ‘Age max 35 years’.

AFTER SELECTION

All YPPs Candidates will receive the following by the ISOCARP Head Office: (i) the selection result by the General Rapporteur/Congress Team, and (ii) the selection result by the YPPs Vice President/ YPP Workshop Coordinators including an official invitation and
an Agreement Protocol, in case of selection. Invited YPPs have to comply with an Agreement Protocol, which includes an official agreement issued by ISOCARP which stipulates the rights and responsibilities of each party (YPP and ISOCARP). All invited YPPs having completed the Agreement Protocol have to Register to the congress and pay a reduced registration fee that gives entrance to both the 3 days YPPs Programme as well as to the main Congress. Additional benefits for all Young Planning Professionals include entrance to the YPPs workshop and congress (lunches and accommodation included), free local public transport from arrival to departure (including airport-city public transport), receipt of the congress portfolio (see registration Congress) and attendance to Congress Events including Congress Dinner and other social events such as Mobile workshops.

In order to create a strong international relationship, ISOCARP appreciates that all invited YPPs stay in the same hotel for the entire duration of the workshop and congress. In order to secure the team spirit, ISOCARP appreciates that during the workshop days, YPPs are not disturbed by the presence of their companions. Often the YPP work continues in the evenings. The initial room-sharing also applies during the entire length of the main congress. However, YPPs having brought along their partner are free to share their room with their partner after the YPP Workshop under the following conditions: (i) The YPP has to take care that the partner’s accommodation will be fully paid for in advance (ii) The partner also has to pay for any possible extra costs that the initial YPP workshop room-mate will have to face.

The Local Organising Committee has agreed to give all cooperation in facilitating Letters of Invitation and contacts with the Norwegian Embassies in those countries that require a visa entrance for Norway. The Invited Young Planning Professionals are requested to provide the ISOCARP Head Office with their full name, date of birth, passport number and date of issue. Visa applications cannot be taken into consideration without completion of the agreement and without payment of the registration fee and accommodation.

**Time Framework for YPP Selection Process**

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ANNEX
PROVISIONAL TIMELINE FOR WORKSHOP PROGRAMME

Day 0
September 27th, Thursday

Arrival

Official welcome, introduction to workshop, short introductory lecture(s) by local and invited international experts (in the afternoon)

Welcome Reception

Day 1
September 28th, Friday

Site visit (by bus and/or on foot) allowing the participants to understand the character and issues associated with the selected site

Documentation of site-specific characteristics, formulation of the design / planning problems and spatial development strategy

Day 2
September 29th, Saturday

Studio work in teams – defining the problem solutions at the macro scale and developing strategies and key projects of intervention
Group presentations and discussions

Day 3
September 30th, Sunday

Studio work in teams – refinement of the proposed solutions, defining the specific proposals and implementation methods, while exploring different means of visual representation and presentations

Final preparations for public presentation and rehearsal

Day 4
October 1–4th, Monday - Friday

54th ISOCARP World Congress: “Cool Planning: Changing Climate and Our Urban Future”
Presentation of workshop results during one of the congress plenaries (date to be announced soon)
MEMBERSHIP

A non-ISOCARP Member participating for the first time in an ISOCARP Congress is considered Congress Member for one year (congress to congress) without any additional financial implication (or without application). He/she will receive all messages of ISOCARP however has no access to the Members’ area on the website, no voting rights and is not eligibility to apply for elected positions. A congress member can already apply for full individual membership by paying the fee for the year after the free year.

For young planning professionals willing to join our global network, here is a short list of benefits:

- You will become part of a global membership organization of professional planners
- ISOCARP represents a unique multi-angle perspective. We have members in: academia, government, organisations and agencies as well as consultancies and the private sector
- You will have networking opportunities with members all around the world
- You benefit from the wealth and diversity of professional expertise, knowledge, and experience in the ISOCARP membership that is unmatched in the planning field
- You will join an organization that is officially recognized by the Council of Europe, UNESCO, UN-Habitat and United Nations
- You will have your say about issues of your interest
- You will have the chance to participate as expert in the various ISOCARP programmes
- You will enjoy reduced rates for ISOCARP events and publications and discounts at events of affiliate organisations (when applicable)
- You will receive regular newsletters and updates on the progress and achievements of our activities
- You will have access to the Members’ Area of the ISOCARP website
- You will have voting rights and be eligible to apply for elected positions.

Young members (under the age of 35) are entitled to a 50% reduction in membership fee.

Please have a look at our membership pages!

QUESTIONS

Any questions during these procedures should be sent to the ISOCARP Head Office:

Phone: +(31-70) 346-2654
Email: kurth@isocarp.org
Website: www.isocarp.org

Any questions regarding the topic, on-site logistics and travel arrangement should be sent to VP YPP, Zeynep Gunay: gunay@isocarp.org.

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