

# Liveable Cities News, 30<sup>th</sup> April 2015

News, events and items of interest for realising liveable cities

## Calls for papers and abstracts

ICT 2015 - 8th International Conference on ICT, Society and Human Beings 2015. 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2015, Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain. Submission deadline (2nd call): 8<sup>th</sup> May 2015.

<http://ict-conf.org/>

2015 Environmental Economics Conference (EEC 2015). 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> August 2015, Shanghai, China. Abstract submission deadline: 7<sup>th</sup> May 2015

<http://edm.scirp.org/template/showTemplateInfo?showId=39170&personName=J.%20Leach>

Journal of Environmental Protection: Special Issue on "Urban Planning and Design".  
Submission Deadline: July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015

[http://www.scirp.org/journal/htmlOfSpecialIssue.aspx?ID=1837&JournalID=144&utm\\_campaign=SpecialIssue&utm\\_source=e\\_si&utm\\_medium=jep\\_upd\\_20150420\\_ranxiaoqiong](http://www.scirp.org/journal/htmlOfSpecialIssue.aspx?ID=1837&JournalID=144&utm_campaign=SpecialIssue&utm_source=e_si&utm_medium=jep_upd_20150420_ranxiaoqiong)

Smart Grid and Renewable Energy, an open access journal, has put out a call for papers:

[http://www.scirp.org/Journal/AimScope.aspx?JournalID=135&utm\\_campaign=AimScope&utm\\_source=e\\_cp&utm\\_medium=sGRE\\_20150403\\_ranxiaoqiong](http://www.scirp.org/Journal/AimScope.aspx?JournalID=135&utm_campaign=AimScope&utm_source=e_cp&utm_medium=sGRE_20150403_ranxiaoqiong)

Environmental Impact 2016 3rd International Conference on Environmental and Economic Impact on Sustainable Development. 8<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> June, 2016, València, Spain. Abstract submission now open.

[http://www.wessex.ac.uk/16-conferences/environmental-impact-2016.html?utm\\_source=wit&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=eid16cfp&uid=1603035](http://www.wessex.ac.uk/16-conferences/environmental-impact-2016.html?utm_source=wit&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=eid16cfp&uid=1603035)

Water and Society 2015: 3rd International Conference on Water and Society. 15<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> July, 2015, A Coruña, Spain. Abstract submission now open.

[http://www.wessex.ac.uk/15-conferences/water-and-society-2015.html?utm\\_source=wit&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=ws15rem4&uid=1603035](http://www.wessex.ac.uk/15-conferences/water-and-society-2015.html?utm_source=wit&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=ws15rem4&uid=1603035)

## Events, Conferences and Workshops

National Geographic Channel: Premiere of the World's Smart Cities: San Diego Documentary. 6<sup>th</sup> May 2015, Royal Geographic Society, London, UK. (See pdf flyer for further information).

MADE: Design and Planning for Cycling. 19<sup>th</sup> May 2015, Birmingham, UK.

[http://www.made.org.uk/events/view/design\\_and\\_planning\\_for\\_cycling/](http://www.made.org.uk/events/view/design_and_planning_for_cycling/)

LSE Cities Public Lecture with Ed Glaeser: The Happiness of Cities Public Lecture 20<sup>th</sup> May 2015, 18.30-20.00, Sheikh Zayed Theatre, New Academic Building, 54 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London.

<http://lsecities.us4.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=6a19b1b794ce991fff919b68d&id=829c1d12e9&e=86efa99190>

Centre for Cities - City horizons: comeback cities. Hear Prof Ed Glaeser discussing "comeback cities" with Newsnight's Duncan Weldon. 21<sup>st</sup> May 2015, London, UK.  
<http://www.centreforcities.org/event/city-horizons-comeback-cities/>

Nesta: Smart Lives: Our relationship with energy and technology. 21<sup>st</sup> May 2015, London, UK.  
[http://www.nesta.org.uk/event/smart-lives-our-relationship-energy-and-technology?utm\\_source=Nesta+Weekly+Newsletter&utm\\_campaign=4f7848a825-Nesta\\_newsletter\\_22\\_04\\_15\\_17\\_2015&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_d17364114d-4f7848a825-181185717#sthash.Mt3fND8M.dpuf](http://www.nesta.org.uk/event/smart-lives-our-relationship-energy-and-technology?utm_source=Nesta+Weekly+Newsletter&utm_campaign=4f7848a825-Nesta_newsletter_22_04_15_17_2015&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_d17364114d-4f7848a825-181185717#sthash.Mt3fND8M.dpuf)

Scotland Policy Conference: Next steps for infrastructure and planning in Scotland. 3rd June 2015, Edinburgh, Scotland  
<http://www.scotlandpolicyconferences.co.uk/forums/event.php?eid=924&t=9111>

Policy Forum for Wales Keynote Seminar: Reforming the planning system in Wales. 16<sup>th</sup> June 2015, Cardiff, Wales.  
<http://www.policyforumforwales.co.uk/forums/event.php?eid=991>

Climate-KIC: Supporting the Transition to the Low Carbon Economy. 8<sup>th</sup> June 2015, Birmingham, UK.  
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/supporting-the-transition-to-the-low-carbon-economy-tickets-16496548621>

Cities for Accessibility, Jobs and Inclusion : Breaking down barriers together. 18<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> June 2015, Lisbon, Portugal.  
<http://www.eurocities.eu/eurocities/events/Conference-Cities-for-Accessibility-together-towards-barrier-free-Europe->

Our Common Future Under Climate Change. 7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> July 2015, Paris France.  
<http://www.commonfuture-paris2015.org/>

2015 Esri: 3D Mapping Forum. 18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2015, San Diego, USA.  
[http://www.esri.com/events/3dforum?utm\\_source=esri&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=83803&utm\\_campaign=3dmappinguc\\_2015](http://www.esri.com/events/3dforum?utm_source=esri&utm_medium=email&utm_term=83803&utm_campaign=3dmappinguc_2015)

World Engineers Summit on Climate Change 2015. 21<sup>st</sup> July – 24<sup>th</sup> July, Singapore.  
<http://eco-business.cmail1.com/t/ViewEmail/r/3F8F32883AEA4FCD2540EF23F30FEDED/DB9D7E0B1E4414D3A7F290B8E8FDC6A0>

Sustainable Transport: Beyond 2015. 8<sup>th</sup> September 2015, London, UK.  
[http://www.sustainabletransport2015.co.uk/index.php?option=com\\_gtreg&subid={subtag:subid}&refcode=ST15/SA&Itemid=279](http://www.sustainabletransport2015.co.uk/index.php?option=com_gtreg&subid={subtag:subid}&refcode=ST15/SA&Itemid=279)

Westminster Social Policy Forum Keynote Seminar: Local growth and regeneration in England - funding, innovation and the future of LEPs. 28<sup>th</sup> October 2015, London, UK.  
[http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/book\\_event.php?eid=1068](http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/book_event.php?eid=1068)

The Civil Engineering Triennial Summit 2015: Resilience and Growth for Future Cities. 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> December 2015, London, UK.  
<http://www.ice-conferences.com/the-civil-engineering-triennial-summit-2015/about/>

## Books

Book Review: Robin Ganser and Rocky Piro (Eds.), *Parallel Patterns of Shrinking Cities and Urban Growth: Spatial Planning for Sustainable Development of City Regions and Rural Areas* (Farnham, UK: Ashgate, 2012).

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/juaf.12080/abstract?campaign=woletoc>

## Papers and reports

The Economist Intelligence Unit: Tomorrow's cities: Making urban environments more liveable

[http://www.economistinsights.com/infrastructure-cities/analysis/tomorrows-cities?utm\\_campaign=EI2015%20-%20Email%2074%20-%20NEW%20-%20HTML%20-%2017042015&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=Eloqua](http://www.economistinsights.com/infrastructure-cities/analysis/tomorrows-cities?utm_campaign=EI2015%20-%20Email%2074%20-%20NEW%20-%20HTML%20-%2017042015&utm_medium=email&utm_source=Eloqua)

Independent Transport Commission: Understanding the spatial effects of high speed rail

<http://www.theitc.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/ITC-HSR-final-report-151114-complete-small-2.pdf>

The New Climate Economy Report: Better Growth, Better Climate - Executive Summary

[http://static.newclimateeconomy.report/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/NCE\\_ExecutiveSummary.pdf](http://static.newclimateeconomy.report/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/NCE_ExecutiveSummary.pdf)

Global Commission on the Economy and Climate: The New Climate Economy

<http://newclimateeconomy.report/misc/downloads/>

## Articles

The Guardian: End of the car age: how cities are outgrowing the automobile

[http://www.theguardian.com/cities/2015/apr/28/end-of-the-car-age-how-cities-outgrew-the-automobile?CMP=share\\_btn\\_tw](http://www.theguardian.com/cities/2015/apr/28/end-of-the-car-age-how-cities-outgrew-the-automobile?CMP=share_btn_tw)

The Guardian: Meet the couple travelling the world in search of the human city

<http://www.theguardian.com/cities/2015/mar/27/meet-couple-travelling-world-human-city>

The Guardian: Grass-to-gas plant could be UK's answer to fracking, says Ecotricity

<http://www.theguardian.com/environment/2015/apr/20/ecotricity-offers-anaerobic-digestion-of-grass-as-answer-to-fracking>

EIA Today in Energy: UK's renewable energy targets drive increases in U.S. wood pellet exports

<http://www.eia.gov/todayinenergy/detail.cfm?id=20912>

The Bartlett School of Planning: Five radical ideas for a better planning system

<http://www.bartlett.ucl.ac.uk/planning/five-radical-ideas>

The Atlantic City Lab: The Steady Rise of Bike Ridership in New York

[http://www.citylab.com/commute/2015/04/the-steady-rise-of-bike-ridership-in-new-york/390717/?utm\\_source=nl\\_daily\\_link1\\_041715](http://www.citylab.com/commute/2015/04/the-steady-rise-of-bike-ridership-in-new-york/390717/?utm_source=nl_daily_link1_041715)

The Atlantic City Lab: A Coloring Book for City Lovers

[http://www.citylab.com/navigator/2015/04/a-coloring-book-for-city-lovers/390300/?utm\\_source=nl\\_daily\\_link6\\_041415](http://www.citylab.com/navigator/2015/04/a-coloring-book-for-city-lovers/390300/?utm_source=nl_daily_link6_041415)

The Atlantic City Lab: This Pencil-Thin Tower Sets a New Bar for Skinny High-Rises  
[http://www.citylab.com/design/2015/04/this-pencil-thin-tower-sets-a-new-bar-for-skinny-high-rises/391367/?utm\\_source=nl\\_daily\\_link3\\_042415](http://www.citylab.com/design/2015/04/this-pencil-thin-tower-sets-a-new-bar-for-skinny-high-rises/391367/?utm_source=nl_daily_link3_042415)

Euro Cities Urban Voice: Urban dialogues: a new partnership  
<http://www.eurocities.eu/eurocities/news/Urban-dialogues-a-new-partnership-WSPO-9VKHT5>

Euro Cities Urban Voice: Cities for accessibility, jobs and inclusion conference  
<http://www.eurocities.eu/eurocities/news/Cities-for-accessibility-jobs-and-inclusion-conference-WSPO-9VMKSZ>

Euro Cities Urban Voice: Cities in action: Vilnius's interactive energy classification map  
<http://www.eurocities.eu/eurocities/news/Cities-in-action-Vilnius-s-interactive-energy-classification-map-WSPO-9VMKSF>

Nesta: Mobility as a service: What is the future of intelligent transport  
[http://www.nesta.org.uk/event/mobility-service-what-future-intelligent-transport-0?utm\\_source=Nesta+Weekly+Newsletter&utm\\_campaign=4f7848a825-Nesta\\_newsletter\\_22\\_04\\_154\\_17\\_2015&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_d17364114d-4f7848a825-181185717](http://www.nesta.org.uk/event/mobility-service-what-future-intelligent-transport-0?utm_source=Nesta+Weekly+Newsletter&utm_campaign=4f7848a825-Nesta_newsletter_22_04_154_17_2015&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_d17364114d-4f7848a825-181185717)

Nesta: Boosting citizen participation and volunteering in public services  
[http://www.nesta.org.uk/news/boosting-citizen-participation-and-volunteering-public-services?utm\\_source=Nesta+Weekly+Newsletter&utm\\_campaign=ff173f9643-Nesta\\_newsletter\\_15\\_Apr\\_20154\\_14\\_2015&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_d17364114d-ff173f9643-181185717#sthash.bXu6q6O4.dpuf](http://www.nesta.org.uk/news/boosting-citizen-participation-and-volunteering-public-services?utm_source=Nesta+Weekly+Newsletter&utm_campaign=ff173f9643-Nesta_newsletter_15_Apr_20154_14_2015&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_d17364114d-ff173f9643-181185717#sthash.bXu6q6O4.dpuf)

International Making Cities Livable - Video: Principles for Making Cities Healthy for All  
<http://www.livablecities.org/blog/video-principles-making-cities-healthy-all>

Next City: Turning an Infamously Sexist City Into a Safe Place for Women  
<http://nextcity.org/features/view/fighting-street-harassment-rio-de-janiero-sexism-brazil-hollaback>

Next City: How a City's Collective Memory May Predict the Future  
<http://nextcity.org/daily/entry/cities-have-memory-predict-future>

Time: Here's a Fascinating Breakdown of Emoji Use by Country  
<http://time.com/3831060/emoji-use-by-country/?xid=newsletter-brief>

BBC Radio 4: Costing the Earth  
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b05r3w3n>

Listen to CityLab 2014: What's Mine is Yours? The New Dynamics of the Sharing City by KPCC #np on #SoundCloud  
<https://soundcloud.com/kpcc/whats-mine-is-yours-the-new-dynamics-of-the-sharing-city>

## Special Interest – Birmingham

Making Birmingham Greener & Healthier Awards 2015: Aiming to celebrate the green achievements of businesses, community groups and education establishments these

awards will promote and celebrate sustainable development, sustainable travel, sustainability in business and health & wellbeing initiatives for people living and working within the city. The closing date for the receipt of application forms is Friday 15 May 2015

[http://us4.campaign-  
archive1.com/?u=079d8ccbf2560c6d83ca10a69&id=6ce13e90ed&e=633c3e22a8](http://us4.campaign-archive1.com/?u=079d8ccbf2560c6d83ca10a69&id=6ce13e90ed&e=633c3e22a8)