

Liveable Cities News, 3rd February 2015

News, events and items of interest for realising liveable cities

Calls for papers and abstracts

Call for Papers for a TGRG sponsored session at the 2015 Royal Geographical Society (with IBG) Annual International Conference, 1st-4th September 2015, University of Exeter, UK.
Abstract submission by 4th February 2015

<http://www.rgs.org/WhatsOn/ConferencesAndSeminars/Annual+International+Conference/Annual+international+conference.htm>

'Nature and Urban Wellbeing: Nature-Based Solutions to Societal Challenges' 18th-20th May, Ghent, Belgium. Session proposal deadline: 14th February 2015

<http://www.alter-net.info/outputs/conf-2015>

Urban Design and Planning is planning a themed issue for March 2016 on urban identity in the era of globalisation. Please submit a brief (<200 word) summary of your proposed paper by 20th February 2015.

<http://www.icevirtuallibrary.com/content/serial/udap>

7th International Conference on Economics and Social Sciences (ICESS-2015) Penang, Malaysia, May 16-17, 2015. Abstract/Full paper submission by 15th February 2015 as an email attachment to: icessifrd@gmail.com

<http://ifrnd.org/ConferenceDetail.aspx?ConferencelD=53>

A special issue of International Journal of Complexity in Applied Science and Technology (IJCAST) on "Next Generation Infrastructure: From Complex Technological Artefacts to Agents of Social Change" Abstract submission deadline: 30th March 2015

<http://inderscience.blogspot.co.uk/2015/01/call-for-papers-next-generation.html>

Energy and Sustainability 2015 6th International Conference on Energy and Sustainability 2nd-4th September, 2015, Medellin, Colombia. Abstract submission now available.

http://www.wessex.ac.uk/15-conferences/energy-and-sustainability-2015.html?utm_source=wit&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=esus15rem2&uid=1603035

International Health and Wealth Conference, 15th-17th October 2015, Algarve, Portugal. Abstract Submission Deadline: 1st July 2015

<http://app.mktgstudio.com/marketer/lt.php?c=49&m=98&nl=20&s=652c4cce679f85cf07ddc7bdf78df2b6&lid=574&l=-http--www.ihw-conference.com>

Events, Conferences and Workshops

Exhibition: Rethinking the Urban Landscape. 13th January 2015-26th February 2015, The Building Centre, Store Street, London, WC1E 7BT

<http://buildingcentre.co.uk/exhibitions/rethinking-the-urban-landscape>

ICE Engineering Underground Space 2015- Innovating Infrastructure. 18th February 2015, ICE, London, UK.

<http://www.ice-conferences.com/ice-engineering-underground-space/about/>

The Configuring Light research programme is hosting its 3rd ESRC-funded seminar 'Lighting Futures' on 19 February 2015 (1.30pm-5.15pm) at the STO Werkstatt London (7-9 Woodbridge Street, London, EC1R 0EX)

<http://lsecities.net/newsletter/3rd-esrc-seminar-lighting-futures/>

Birmingham University, College of Engineering and Physical Sciences requests the pleasure of your company at the Inaugural lecture of Professor Xiao-Ping Zhang: 'Power & Energy Internet of Everything'. Wednesday 25 February 2015, Birmingham, UK.

<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/university/colleges/eps/events/inaugural-lecture/Xiao-Ping-Zhang-25-02.aspx>

Circular Economy in construction – revolutionary approach to materials and building lifecycles resource: 3rd – 5th March 2015 ExCeL, London, UK

<http://www.resource-event.com/about-us>

iBUILD Manifesto Launch Event, 26th March 2015, London, UK. The manifesto draws upon the team's research to deliver a series of recommendations to unlock innovative business models for practitioners.

http://forms.ncl.ac.uk/view.php?id=7499&utm_source=ARCC+news&utm_campaign=ddb08c420d-ARCC_news_01_20151_15_2015&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_51e69bccd5-ddb08c420d-109993221

Energy Management Forum 2015: Increasing efficiency, reducing costs. 20th May 2015, Birmingham, UK.

<http://www.sb-energy.net/home>

Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum Keynote Seminar, 'The future of the road network in England - investment, infrastructure and the role of Highways England'. 1st July 2015, London, UK.

http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/book_event.php?eid=985

Coastal Cities 2015 International Conference on Coastal Cities and their Sustainable Future 7th-9th July, 2015, New Forest, UK. Abstract submission now open.

http://www.wessex.ac.uk/15-conferences/coastal-cities-2015.html?utm_source=wit&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=cc15rem3&uid=1603035

2015 Esri 3D Mapping Forum, 18th-21st July, San Diego, USA

http://www.esri.com/events/3dforum?utm_source=esri&utm_medium=email&utm_term=83603&utm_campaign=3dmappinguc_2015

ARCC network New ECR skills development event, 2015 - workshop to help ECRs working on EPSRC-funded projects related to adaptation and resilience in the built environment and infrastructure sectors to develop the skills required to create effective research proposals.

Expressions of interest to:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/76M8JNR>

Books

Pressed for Time: The Acceleration of Life in Digital Capitalism, by Judy Wajcman

<http://www.timeshighereducation.co.uk/books/pressed-for-time-the-acceleration-of-life-in-digital-capitalism-by-judy-wajcman/2018012.article>

Papers and reports

Ganjavie, A. (2015) On the future of urban design: Fabricating the future through Bloch's utopians. *Planning Theory* 2015, Vol. 14(1) 90–108
<http://plt.sagepub.com/content/14/1/90.full.pdf+html>

Childs, M, (2015) Learning from new millennium science fiction cities. *Journal of Urbanism*, 2015, Vol. 8, No. 1, 97–109.
<http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/17549175.2014.891148>

European Commission, Science for Environment Policy: Declining city populations could boost provision of urban ecosystem services
http://ec.europa.eu/environment/integration/research/newsalert/pdf/declining_city_populations_could_boost_provision_of_urban_ecosystem_services_401na7_en.pdf

Nature: Blacklist proposed for fossil fuels by David Biello.
http://www.nature.com/news/blacklist-proposed-for-fossil-fuels-1.16695?WT.ec_id=NEWS-20150113

Council for Science & Technology publish report on economic and social costs of electricity shortfalls
https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/electricity-supply-economic-and-social-costs-of-electricity-shortfalls?utm_source=ARCC+news&utm_campaign=ddb08c420d-ARCC_news_01_20151_15_2015&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_51e69bccd5-ddb08c420d-109993221

Clean Energy Pipeline releases Smart cities in Europe: enabling innovation
<http://cleanenergypipeline.msgfocus.com/c/1n80tSdPwAalwywbBqSyfz>

Articles

Nature: Environmental science: Pollution patrol
http://www.nature.com/news/environmental-science-pollution-patrol-1.16654?WT.ec_id=NATURE-20150108

Fastcoexist: A Detailed Map Of The World's Ecosystems, So We Can Understand How We're Changing Them
<http://www.fastcoexist.com/3039857/a-detailed-map-of-the-worlds-ecosystems-so-we-can-understand-how-were-changing-them>

Esri Globe: Keen Observations Help Your City Better Understand Itself by Adding It to the Urban Observatory
http://www.esri.com/esri-news/arcwatch/1214/keen-observations?utm_source=esri&utm_medium=email&utm_term=79149&utm_content=article&utm_campaign=globe_2015

GOV.UK: Sharing our data on flooding
https://environmentagency.blog.gov.uk/2014/12/16/sharing-our-data-on-flooding/?utm_source=ARCC+news&utm_campaign=ddb08c420d-ARCC_news_01_20151_15_2015&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_51e69bccd5-ddb08c420d-109993221

There are a lot of interesting articles on the City Lab site: <http://www.citylab.com/>
Particularly pertinent ones are listed below:

The Atlantic CityLab: The Global Cities That Power the World Economy Now
<http://www.citylab.com/work/2015/01/global-cities-power-the-world-economy/384732/>

The Atlantic CityLab: See What Your City Will Be Like in 15 Years'
<http://www.citylab.com/work/2015/01/see-what-your-city-will-be-like-in-15-years/384648/>

The Atlantic CityLab: London Will Indeed Build a Skyscraper Shaped Like a 'Can of Ham'
<http://www.citylab.com/design/2015/01/london-will-indeed-build-a-skyscraper-shaped-like-a-can-of-ham/384768/>

The Atlantic CityLab: The Night Sky You've Never Seen
<http://www.citylab.com/weather/2015/01/the-night-sky-youve-never-seen/384760/>

The Atlantic CityLab: More Women Ride Mass Transit Than Men. Shouldn't Transit Agencies Be Catering to Them?
<http://www.citylab.com/commute/2015/01/more-women-ride-mass-transit-than-men-shouldnt-transit-agencies-be-catering-to-them/385012/>

The Atlantic CityLab: The Case for Preserving 'Historic' Concrete
<http://www.citylab.com/design/2015/01/the-case-for-preserving-historic-concrete/384998/>

Business Insider UK: There's A Plan Floating Around Davos To Spend \$90 Trillion Redesigning All The Cities So They Don't Need Cars
<http://uk.businessinsider.com/plan-to-spend-90-trillion-redesigning-cities-without-cars-2015-1?r=US#ixzz3Q87XT7Jm>

CitiesSpeak: Collaborative Government is Here to Stay
<http://citysspeak.org/2015/01/22/collaborative-government-is-here-to-stay/>

2degrees:What does the sustainability job market look like?
<https://www.2degreesnetwork.com/groups/2degrees-community/resources/what-does-sustainability-job-market-look-like/>

Other

The Council for Science and Technology (CST) is investigating the UK's knowledge landscape. The aim of this project is to build a picture of the whole research landscape in the UK and to develop a stronger evidence base. This will help to inform future strategic decision-making and help the UK to maintain and develop its excellence in research.
<https://www.ukknowledgelandscape.co.uk/welcome>

LSE Cities Vacancy: Researcher or Research Officer for its project on New Urban Governance: Urban complexity and institutional capacities of cities.
<http://lsecities.net/about/collaboration-opportunities/job-vacancies/>

Special Interest Birmingham

Come and join Argent, Birmingham City Council, Brooke, Capita, Crest, Cundall, EC Harris, GVA, Hines UK, JLL, PBA, RLB, RLF, Savills, Turley, Wates

and others to discuss "2015 - The Year Ahead in The West Midlands", Friday 6th February 2015, 7am-9.30am, Macdonald Burlington Hotel, 126 New Street, Birmingham, B2 4QJ.
<http://esend-mailer.co.uk/227D-35NC1-GHLW0Y-1GECHC-1/c.aspx>

Birmingham GreenFest is coming to the famous Birmingham Botanical Gardens on Saturday 7th March from 10.00 – 17.00
<http://greencity.birmingham.gov.uk/news/birmingham-greenfest/>