

Liveable Cities News, 8th January 2015

News, events and items of interest for realising liveable cities

Calls for papers and abstracts

Leadership, Sustainability and Wellbeing Special issue call for papers from Sustainability Accounting, Management and Policy Journal. Submission of Abstracts: February 3rd 2015
http://www.emeraldgrouppublishing.com/products/journals/call_for_papers.htm?id=5911#sth.ash.4gTUOUBQ.dpuf

Urban Transport 2015: 21st International Conference on Urban Transport and the Environment. 2nd-4th June, 2015, València, Spain. Abstract submission now open.
http://www.wessex.ac.uk/15-conferences/urban-transport-2015.html?utm_source=wit&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=ut15rem3&uid=1603035

ECOSUD 2015 10th International Conference on Ecosystems and Sustainable Development. 3rd-5th June, 2015, València, Spain. Abstract submission now open.
http://www.wessex.ac.uk/15-conferences/ecosud-2015.html?utm_source=wit&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=eco15rem3&uid=1603035

Sustainable City 2015: 10th International Conference on Urban Regeneration and Sustainability. 1st- 3rd September, 2015, Medellín, Colombia. Abstract submission now open.
http://www.wessex.ac.uk/15-conferences/sustainable-city-2015.html?utm_source=wit&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=city15rem2&uid=1603035

Events, Conferences and Workshops

CaSE Science and Engineering Debate - 14th Jan 2015, The Royal Society, London, UK. With only six months until the 2015 General Election, CaSE is bringing together the science spokespeople from the three main Westminster parties to debate the future direction of science and engineering in the UK.
<http://sciencecampaign.org.uk/?p=15594>

SRI 10th Anniversary Seminar- 'Different perspectives, shared goals - tackling today's sustainability challenges through interdisciplinary and cross sector working'. 26th January 2015, University of Leeds, UK
<http://www.see.leeds.ac.uk/events/research-seminars/event/?SemID=268>

Exhibition: Urban Lightscapes/Social Nightscapes. Opens 27th January 2015, Atrium Gallery, London School of Economics and Political Science, Houghton Street, London WC2A 2AE
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GOR4Z2L4qdA&feature=youtu.be&utm_source=LSE+Cities+news&utm_campaign=48d7dade69-Exhibition_27_January_2014&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_1f3b65491d-48d7dade69-69019957

Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum: Next steps for the UK renewable energy sector: priorities, subsidies, and 2030 targets. 24th February 2015, London, UK.
<http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/event.php?eid=908>

International Eco-Cities Initiative Forthcoming workshops: Eco-City Frameworks at a Crossroads. 11th February 2015 and 13th March 2015, London, UK. Contact r.cowley@westminster.ac.uk for further information.

Sustainable Urban Transport Conference. 2nd-4th March 2015, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
<http://sustainableurbantransport-lse.marcusevans.com/>

DNC 2015: Dresden Nexus Conference – Global Change, SDGs, Nexus Approach. 25th-27th March 2015, Dresden, Germany.
http://www.dresden-nexus-conference.org/?utm_source=Eco-cities&utm_campaign=1fadeb833a-Eco_cities-august&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_381f89faa9-1fadeb833a-321224865

4th Informed Cities Forum- 'Which way to the future? Strategies, tools and inspiration for transforming cities'. 26th March 2015, Rotterdam, Netherlands.
<http://informed-cities.iclei-europe.org/index.php?id=8533>

Westminster Higher Education Forum Keynote Seminar: Next steps for the Research Excellence Framework. 23rd April 2015, London, UK.
http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/book_event.php?eid=864

3rd Annual Digital Grids And Smart Cities Forum, 5th- 6th May 2015 in Riyadh, KSA.
http://energy.fleminggulf.com/digital-grids-smart-cities/request-agenda?c_trc=0A6552291C1AE9EEE050A8C0E5505E03

Together towards barrier-free cities in Europe, 18-19th June 2015, Lisbon, Portugal. Further information available coming soon.

International Health and Wellness Conference, 15th-17th October 2015, Algarve, Portugal.
http://www.ihw-conference.com/crbst_18.html

Books

'Understanding Energy and Energy Policy' by Timothy F. Braun and Lisa M. Glidden, Zed Books. November 2014. ISBN: 9781780329345
<http://www.zedbooks.co.uk/paperback/understanding-energy-and-energy-policy>

The following are all new releases from the University of Chicago Press:

'Leading the Inclusive City: Place-Based Innovation for a Bounded Planet' by Robin Hambleton, December, 2014. ISBN: 9781447304968.
<http://press.uchicago.edu/ucp/books/book/distributed/L/bo19141234>

'Rebuilding Britain: Planning for a Better Future' by Hugh Ellis and Kate Henderson, December 2014, ISBN: 9781447317593.
<http://press.uchicago.edu/ucp/books/book/distributed/R/bo19138531>

'Fitting In and Getting Happy: How Conformity to Societal Norms Affects Subjective Well-being' by Olga Stavrova. November 2014, ISBN: 9783593500560
<http://press.uchicago.edu/ucp/books/book/distributed/F/bo19139080>

'Human Capital in History: The American Record', Edited by Leah Platt Boustan, Carola Frydman, and Robert A. Margo. November 2014, ISBN: 9780226163895

<http://press.uchicago.edu/ucp/books/book/chicago/H/bo18411047>

'Revolution to Devolution: Reflections on Welsh Democracy', Kenneth O. Morgan. November 2014, ISBN: 9781783160877 (paperback published May 2015)

<http://press.uchicago.edu/ucp/books/book/distributed/R/bo19175463>

'Robert Clifton Weaver and the American City: The Life and Times of an Urban Reformer', Wendell E. Pritchett. November 2014, ISBN: 9780226214016

<http://press.uchicago.edu/ucp/books/book/chicago/R/bo5877528>

Papers and reports

Department for Communities and Local Government: Birmingham City Council's governance and organisational capabilities: an independent review by Sir Bob Kerslake.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/birmingham-city-councils-governance-and-organisational-capabilities-an-independent-review>

New publications by Sustainable Urban Transport Project: "Urban Mobility Plans – National Approaches and Local Practice ", Carsharing Services in Emerging Economies and The world of sustainable mobility is full of innovations!

<http://citynet-ap.org/new-publications-by-sustainable-urban-transport-project/>

Centre for Cities: Delivering change: Putting city centres at the heart of the local economy

<http://www.centreforcities.org/publication/delivering-change-city-centres/>

Special section in Global Environmental Change journal- 'Policy innovation in a changing climate'

<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/09593780/29>

'Acting green elicits a literal warm glow', by Danny Taufik, Jan Willem Bolderdijk & Linda Steg. Nature Climate Change 5, 37–40 (2015)

http://www.nature.com/nclimate/journal/v5/n1/full/nclimate2449.html?WT.ec_id=NCLIMATE-201501

Future Cities Catapult report, 'Urban Innovation and Investment' is now available:

https://futurecities.catapult.org.uk/documents/6697210/0/Urban+Innovation+and+Investment_DEC14.pdf

Capitals of Biodiversity, 'European municipalities lead the way in local biodiversity protection'

http://www.capital-biodiversity.eu/uploads/media/European_Capitals_ENG.pdf

Futureearth: Strategic Research Agenda 2014

<http://www.futureearth.org/media/strategic-research-agenda-2014>

Articles

The NEF Blog: The true cost of food

<http://www.neweconomics.org/blog/entry/the-true-cost-of-food>

Sea of Change Film: Walking into trouble; showing the devastating impact of shared space road design on the blind and partially sighted people of Great Britain.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NOObDPOSm-g&app=desktop>

Future City: Glasgow, "Cyclists are being urged to share their routes to help make Glasgow more bike friendly".

<http://sd-research.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4eede4a390841a858a1ca72c3&id=02dcf56fcd&e=d4755f963b>

The Atlantic City Lab: 20 Years of Street Photography Shows Just How Boring We All Are

<http://www.citylab.com/design/2014/12/20-years-of-photos-show-just-how-boring-we-all-are/383781/>

The Atlantic City Lab: The Future of London at Peak Population

<http://www.citylab.com/housing/2015/01/the-future-of-london-at-peak-population/384267/>

Nesta: 10 Predictions for 2015

http://www.nesta.org.uk/news/2015-predictions?utm_source=Nesta+Weekly+Newsletter&utm_campaign=5346686ace-Nesta_newsletter_2015_Predictions12_18_2014&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_d17364114d-5346686ace-181185717

BBC News: Energy consumption down in UK despite economic growth

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-30528197>

BBC News: Birmingham in Rough Guide 'top 10 cities in the world'

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-birmingham-30458480>

The Economist: Hope springs

<http://www.economist.com/news/leaders/21636748-has-been-bad-year-nation-states-someand-one-particulardeserve?fsrc=nlw|hig|17-12-2014>

The Good Country Index

<http://www.goodcountry.org/overall>

Euro Cities: CITYKEYS - new smart cities project

<http://www.eurocities.eu/eurocities/news/CITYKEYS-new-smart-cities-project-WSP0-9RUMZU>

Euro Cities: Cyd Cymru - in search of a better energy deal

<http://www.eurocities.eu/eurocities/news/Cyd-Cymru-in-search-of-a-better-energy-deal-WSP0-9RV47E>

Euro Cities: Exploring smart lighting in Eindhoven

<http://www.eurocities.eu/eurocities/news/Exploring-smart-lighting-in-Eindhoven-WSP0-9RUMZF>

Euro Cities: On the road to ECOMM 2015

<http://www.eurocities.eu/eurocities/news/On-the-road-to-ECOMM-2015-WSP0-9RUN22>

Euro Cities: 2,000 cities participate in EMW 2014

<http://www.eurocities.eu/eurocities/news/2-000-cities-participate-in-EMW-2014-WSP0-9RUN2T>

The Guardian: Cities, 'The smartest cities rely on citizen cunning and unglamorous technology'.

<http://www.theguardian.com/cities/2014/dec/22/the-smartest-cities-rely-on-citizen-cunning-and-unglamorous-technology>

Other

The European Commission has officially launched the enhanced Eltis website, fulfilling one of its key commitments made less than a year ago in the Urban Mobility Package. The new website, which the Commission has re-designed to allow for better ways for cities to share experiences, showcase best practices and foster co-operation in sustainable urban mobility, has improved the gathering and hosting of valuable urban mobility tools and resources.

<http://www.eltis.org/>