

Liveable Cities News, 27 October 2015

News, events and items of interest for realising liveable cities

Calls for papers and abstracts

'Royal Society Open Science' journal has announced a call for articles for a city analytics collection. Deadline for abstracts: 31 October 2015

<http://rsos.royalsocietypublishing.org/content/call-papers-city-analytics>

Themed issue of 'Urban Design and Planning' on 'Urban design education'. Deadline for 200-word outlines of proposed articles: 01 November 2015.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B2uYFdc10VVzQVnNzHRuTIM0ZFE/view?pli=1>

Building Research & Information (BRI) special issue on overheating in buildings: adaptation responses. Abstracts deadline: 16 November 2015 <http://sd-research.us4.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=4eede4a390841a858a1ca72c3&id=456c00bd17&e=d4755f963b>

'4th Annual International Conference on Architecture and Civil Engineering (ACE 2016)' 25-26 April 2016, Singapore. Full Paper Submission Deadline: 16 November 2015

<http://www.ace-conference.org/index.html>

'53rd International Making Cities Livable Conference. Caring for Our Common Home: Sustainable, Just Cities & Settlements', 13-17 June 2016, Rome Italy. Abstracts of no more than 250 words should be submitted by 20 December 2015

<http://www.livablecities.org/conferences/53rd-conference-rome>

'Waste Management 2016: 8th International Conference on Waste Management and the Environment', 07 - 09 June, 2016, València, Spain. Abstracts of no more than 300 words should be submitted as soon as possible http://www.wessex.ac.uk/conferences/2016/waste-management-2016?utm_source=wit&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=wm16rem2&uid=1603035

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'The 24th International Conference on Modelling, Monitoring and Management of Air Pollution' 20 - 22 June 2016, Crete Greece. Abstracts of no more than 300 words should be submitted as soon as possible http://www.wessex.ac.uk/conferences/2016/air-pollution-2016?utm_source=wit&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=air16rem2&uid=1603035

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'Urban Transport 2016: 22nd International Conference on Urban Transport and the Environment', 21 - 23 June 2016, Crete Greece. Abstracts of no more than 300 words should be submitted as soon as possible http://www.wessex.ac.uk/conferences/2016/urban-transport-2016?utm_source=wit&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=ut16rem2&uid=1603035

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'Urban Transitions 2016. Towards a better urban future in an interconnected age' 05 - 09 September 2016, Shanghai, China. Deadline for submission of abstracts: 03 March 2016

<http://www.urbantransitionsconference.com/>

'Energy Quest 2016: 2nd International Conference on Energy Production and Management in the 21st Century' 06 - 08 September 2016, Ancona Italy. Abstracts of no more than 300 words should be submitted as soon as possible.

<http://www.wessex.ac.uk/conferences/2016/energy-quest-2016#Introduction-and-Topics>

'Sustainable Development and Planning 2016: 8th International Conference on Sustainable Development and Planning' 06 - 08 December 2016, Penang, Malaysia. Abstracts of no more than 300 words should be submitted as soon as possible.

http://www.wessex.ac.uk/conferences/2016/sustainable-development-and-planning-2016?utm_source=wit&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=sdp16cfp&uid=1603035

Events, Conferences and Workshops

'Results from the resource efficiency policy mix assessment: grand challenges for implementation' Webinar by the EU-funded DYNAMIX project. 28 October 2015, Online

<http://dynamix-project.eu/dynamix-webinar-%E2%80%9Cpreliminary-results-resource-efficiency-policy-mix-assessment-grand-challenges>

'City Horizons: What does the future hold for China's cities?' Centre for Cities seminar, 28 October 2015, London <http://www.centreforcities.org/event/city-horizons-what-does-the-future-hold-for-chinas-cities/>

'Tomorrow's Engineers Week' 02-06 November 2015

<http://www.tomorrowengineers.org.uk/>

'Urban grit or suburban comfort: where do people prefer to live?' Centre for Cities launch of the final part of the urban demographics series, 03 November 2015, London.

<http://www.centreforcities.org/event/urban-grit-or-suburban-comfort-where-do-people-prefer-to-live/>

'6th annual SmartMetro and CBTC World Congress' 03-05 November 2015, Copenhagen

Denmark http://www.smartrailworld.com/building-the-smart-metro-of-the-future?utm_campaign=CBT15&utm_source=hs_email&utm_medium=email&utm_content=22908475&_hsenc=p2ANqtz-83X-D6qN7ulVtB94rcnbWuQTTG5nOdyCEZW5Gi6fk5Krchmy-NbittnugFmdEbWQvixMflfnBkcu2tSljza7wcuH8tXA&_hsmi=22908475

Birmingham Food Council's first Annual Meeting with the Food Standard Agency CEO Catherine Brown and Birmingham City Council's CEO, Mark Rogers, 04 November 2015

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/our-first-annual-meeting-catherine-brown-fsa-chief-executive-tickets-18707649082>

'Doing and Thinking Democracy' - Centre for Study of Democracy. 07 November 2015,

London <http://csd25.org/>

'ICE Asset Management 2015 Conference: Innovation, Collaboration, Engagement' 10

November 2015, Westminster London <http://www.ice-conferences.com/asset-management-2015/>

'Systems Analysis 2015', International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA), 11 - 13 November 2015, Laxenburg, Austria <http://www.iiasa.ac.at/web/home/about/events/151111-SystemsAnalysis.html>

'Science Technology and Innovation Policy' course, 16-20 November 2015, Manchester Institute for Innovation Research
<http://www.research.mbs.ac.uk/innovation/Study/Professional-Development-Short-courses/Science-technology-and-innovation-policy>

'Bristol Festival of Ideas: Festival of the Future City' 17-20 November 2015
<http://tinyurl.com/pk9sr2q>

'Urban Age 10 Global Debates' discussing core themes that have been the focus of research and debate at the Urban Age since 2005:

- [19 November - Confronting Climate Change: can cities be the solution?](#)
- [23 November - Steering Urban Growth: can planning and architecture manage?](#)
- [25 November - The Politics of Equity: who owns the city?](#)
- [26 November - Designing Urban Infrastructure: investing for now or tomorrow?](#)
- [03 December - Narratives of Inclusion: can cities help us live together?](#)

<https://lsecities.net/ua/events/s/global-debates>

'International Forum on Metropolitan Governance Innovation', 23 – 24 November 2015, Guadalajara City, Mexico <http://metropolitangovernanceforum.org/>

'Sustainable Food & Beverage Manufacturing Conference & Expo 2015', 02 December 2015, Birmingham. <http://www.sustainablefoodexpo.com/>

'4th Middle East Smart Cities Summit', 08 - 09 December 2015, Dubai UAE
http://energy.fleminggulf.com/me-smart-cities-summit?utm_source=IVD2&utm_medium=Email&utm_term=Energy%26Resources&utm_campaign=MESC&c_trc=221F87897A05965AE050A8C0E55061DB

'Policy priorities for waste management in England: innovation, best practice and developing the circular economy' Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum Keynote Seminar, 19 January 2016, Central London
<http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/event.php?eid=1085>

'Skills development workshop: achieving impact through stakeholder-focussed proposals' Adaptation and Resilience in the Context of Change (ARCC) Network. 20-21 January 2016, Oxford <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ecr-skills-development-workshop-achieving-impact-through-stakeholder-focussed-proposals-registration-18605747291>

'The future for renewable energy in the UK: funding, innovation and policy priorities' Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum Keynote Seminar, 02 February 2016, London <http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/event.php?eid=1132>

'Priorities for the Strategic Road Network in England - investment, innovation and regional development' Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum Keynote Seminar, 11 February 2016, London

<http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/event.php?eid=1177>

'The future for the Catapult Network - scale, scope and putting policy into practice' Westminster Higher Education Forum Keynote Seminar, 01 March 2016

<http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/agenda/catapult-network-2016-agenda.pdf>

'UK energy security: supply, storage and resilience' Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum Keynote Seminar, 15 March 2016, London

<http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/event.php?eid=1115>

'8th European Conference on Sustainable Cities & Towns', Bilbao, Basque Country, Spain 27-29 April 2016 <http://www.iclei-europe.org/events/?cmd=view&uid=289c3ef5>

'5th Informed Cities Forum: People, Partnerships and Power - Building alliances for urban sustainability transitions' 16-17 June 2016, Dresden, Germany <http://informed-cities.iclei-europe.org/>

Calls for funding

Innovate UK competition for funding – 'Cities Integrated by Design' Registration closes: 18 November 2015, competition closes: 25 Nov 2015

https://interact.innovateuk.org/competition-display-page/-/asset_publisher/RqEt2AKmEBhi/content/cities-integrated-by-design

KTN and Innovate UK will be holding a networking event in support of this competition: 04 November 2015, Salford <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/cities-integrated-by-design-competition-networking-event-tickets-19113036607>

Books

Jackson, E. (2015): 'Young Homeless People and Urban Space: Fixed in Mobility'

<https://www.routledge.com/products/9780415722162>

Wessendorf, S. (2014): 'Commonplace Diversity: Social Relations in a Super-Diverse Context' <http://www.palgrave.com/page/detail/commonplace-diversity-social-relations-in-a-superdiverse-context-susanne-wessendorf/?K=9781137033307>

Review of Hirt Sonia with Diane Zahm (Eds.) 2012: 'The Urban Wisdom of Jane Jacobs' (New York: Routledge). <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/juaf.12115/full>

Papers and reports

'The Missing Multipliers: Devolution to Britain's Mid-sized Cities'

<http://www.keycities.co.uk/mid-sized-cities-key-economy#sthash.XEuC4I0j.dpuf>

'Tensions, trade-offs and opportunities.' Report on food and the city economy
<http://www.birminghamfoodcouncil.org/food-the-city-economy-tensions-trade-offs-and-opportunities/>

International Energy Agency (IEA) report- 'Medium-Term Renewable Energy Market Report 2015' https://www.iea.org/bookshop/708-Medium-Term_Renewable_Energy_Market_Report_2015

Lonsdale, K., Pringle, P. & Turner, B. (2015): 'Transformative adaptation: what it is, why it matters & what is needed'. UK Climate Impacts Programme, University of Oxford <http://sd-research.us4.list-manage1.com/track/click?u=4eede4a390841a858a1ca72c3&id=e28d680c73&e=d4755f963b>

Liedtke C, Baedeker C, Borrelli LM (2015): 'Transformation towards a Sustainable Society – Key Intervention Areas'. Innovative Energy and Research <http://www.omicsonline.com/open-access/transformation-towards-a-sustainable-societykey-intervention-areas-2090-5009-1000117.php?aid=58697>

Renewables could supply nearly a quarter of Africa's energy by 2030: report by the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA)
<http://www.irena.org/menu/index.aspx?mnu=Subcat&PriMenuID=36&CatID=141&SubcatID=641>

Articles

Where is the world's most stressful city?
<http://www.theguardian.com/cities/2015/oct/08/where-world-most-stressful-city-urban-life-depression-anxiety>

'Stress in cities: readers discuss urban stress'
http://www.theguardian.com/cities/2015/oct/16/urban-stress-anxiety-city-readers-discuss?CMP=fb_a-cities_b-qdncities

'Making smart cities safer' http://www.eco-business.com/news/making-smart-cities-safer/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Sep+30+newsletter&utm_content=Sep+30+newsletter+Version+A+CID_2fd1e0eda385aea9c77d40776369c6dc&utm_source=Campaign%20Monitor&utm_term=READ%20FULL%20STORY

Naomi Klein: 'We tried it your way and we don't have another decade to waste'
<http://www.theguardian.com/books/2014/sep/14/naomi-klein-interview-capitalism-vs-the-climate>

Complementary Initiatives

'Urban Governance Survey' by LSE Cities, UN Habitat and UCLG Committee on Decentralisation and Local Governance. Survey deadline extended to 31 October 2015.
<https://urbangovernance.net/en/survey-form/>

The University of Leeds £4.2m national infrastructure research project with the vision of creating self-repairing cities

https://www.leeds.ac.uk/news/article/3774/leeds_wins_42m_funding_to_develop_robot_fixers_of_the_future

Project launch: 'Moving health and sustainability upstream into strategic urban development decision-making' <http://info.uwe.ac.uk/news/uwenews/news.aspx?id=3178>

Other

'A how-to on APC (article-processing charges) funding'

http://blogs.springeropen.com/springeropen/2015/05/19/a-how-to-on-apc-funding/?utm_campaign=BMC22801SP&utm_medium=BMCemail&utm_source=Teradata

Energy Modelling Analyst vacancy at the Energy Technologies Institute (ETI). There is no formal closing date but interviews begin in mid October 2015. <http://www.eti.co.uk/careers/>

'City internships: The global internship program' <http://city-internships.com/>

Call for applications - '5th STEPS Centre Summer School' exploring ideas and research methodologies for pathways to sustainability in fields around science and technology, innovation and policy studies, development studies, and across agricultural, health, water or energy issues. 16-27 May 2016, Brighton UK . Deadline for applications: 27 January 2016

<http://steps-centre.org/engagement/steps-summer-school/>

Economist Intelligence Unit's 2015 'Global Liveability Ranking'

<http://www.economist.com/blogs/graphicdetail/2015/08/daily-chart-5>

Publication of the updated 'Living With Environmental Change (LWEC) Biodiversity Climate Change Impacts Report Card'

<http://www.nerc.ac.uk/research/partnerships/lwec/products/report-cards/biodiversity/>

UK Data Service – a key collection of UK and international social and economic research data <http://ukdataservice.ac.uk/>

Special Interest – Birmingham

'Birmingham 2020 workshops: Future Council programme' Public engagement workshops

<https://ourbirmingham.wordpress.com/2015/10/25/birmingham-2020-workshops-future-council-programme/>

'2016 City Summit: Help shape a sustainable legacy for Birmingham's built environment' 23 -

24 February 2016, Central Birmingham <http://www.ukqbc.org/events/featured-event/city-summit-birmingham-2016/overview>

Special Interest – Liveable Cities Phase 2 Areas of Focus

The Liveable Cities Programme is currently in the second phase of its research which involves periods of intense focus on specific themes: the Sharing City; Radical Mobilities City; the Ecosystem Serviced City; the Re-Zoned City; the City of Synthesised Flows; and the Investing City. The aim is to develop radical engineering paradigms and alternative city visions that facilitate societal and planetary wellbeing. Below are items of relevance to this Phase 2 work.

Focus on Mobilities

'Disrupting Mobility Hackathon 2015: Urban Autonomous Delivery' 06-08 November 2015, MIT Cambridge Massachusetts <http://www.disrupting-mobility.org/#welcome>

Centro 'Intelligent Mobility Autumn Seminar', 10 November 2015, Innovation Birmingham campus https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/intelligent-mobility-autumn-seminar-tickets-19056320969?ref=enivtefor001&invite=ODYwMDQzMC9wLmoud2FkZGVsbEBiaGFtLmFjLnVrLzA%3D&utm_source=eb_email&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=inviteformalv2&utm_term=eventimage&ref=enivtefor001

'Disrupting Mobility: A Global Summit Investigating Sustainable Futures' 11-13 November 2015, MIT Cambridge Massachusetts <http://www.disrupting-mobility.org/#welcome>

'Intelligent City Mobility' 12 November 2015, London
<http://landor.co.uk/intelligentcitymobility/home.php>

Science for Environment Policy report- 'Using revenues from congestion charging to expand green spaces increases public acceptance' <http://sd-research.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4eede4a390841a858a1ca72c3&id=43a977aedb&e=d4755f963b>

'Sustainable mobility boosts economy more than traditional transport projects' New report by the EU-funded 'EVIDENCE' project <http://evidence-project.eu/>

Cities in motion: the Guardian analysis and reportage of cities and their transport systems
<http://www.theguardian.com/cities/series/cities-in-motion>

'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>

'Oslo moves to ban cars [private vehicles] from city centre within four years'
<http://www.theguardian.com/environment/2015/oct/19/oslo-moves-to-ban-cars-from-city-centre-within-four-years>

Have we really reached 'peak car'? <http://www.theguardian.com/cities/2015/apr/30/have-we-really-reached-peak-car>

The CIVITAS Initiative, which works to promote and support cleaner and better transport in cities, is offering €80,000 in co-financing through its Activity Fund. Application deadline: 20 November 2015. <http://civitas.eu/content/activity-fund>

'European Mobility Week 2015' puts the spotlight on multimodality
<http://www.mobilityweek.eu/home/>

EU-funded SOLUTIONS (Sharing Opportunities for Low carbon Urban transport) project <https://europa.eu/eyd2015/en/european-union/stories/sustainable-transport-pass-it>

World Resources Institute Ross Center For Sustainable Cities 'Cities Safer by Design- Urban Design Recommendations for Healthier Cities, Fewer Traffic Fatalities' Guidance and examples to promote traffic safety through urban and street design <http://sd-research.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4eede4a390841a858a1ca72c3&id=431f202da4&e=d4755f963b>