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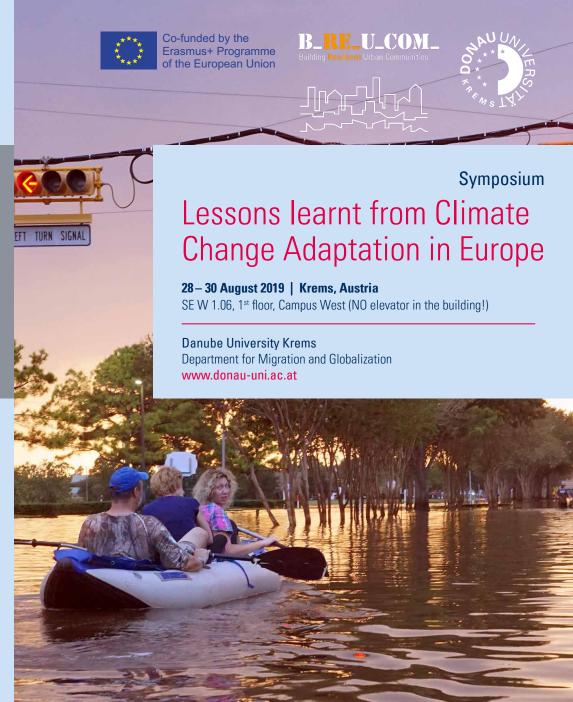
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B_RE_U_COM_ Building Resilient Urban Communities



European cities are facing rising summer temperatures and an increasing occurrence of extreme weather events as a result of global climate change. As a consequence they are setting up heat protection plans and "sponge city"-concepts. Also India is not just expecting but already observing heat waves and extensive flooding. The climate change impacts are especially going to hit the most vulnerable and economically weakest sections of the society - the dwellers of informal settlements which are already living under precarious conditions and are the least able to protect themselves against extreme weather events. How can these social groups be supported to prepare for catastrophic floods, landslides and rising sea-level? Which town planning, structural and organizational improvements are needed in order that the residents learn to tackle these challenges together? To discuss these questions a symposium is taking place from August, 28th-29th 2019 at Danube University in Krems. European experts with inter-disciplinary backgrounds in the field of climate change resilience, Indian university members and representatives of the civil society are going to discuss concepts and strategies from Europe and India during two days and assessto what extent Europe and India can learn from each other in this field.

Wednesday 28 August 2019

Venue: SE W1.06

10.00	Migration as an adaptation strategy Mathias Czaika
11.00	Discussion
11.30	COFFEE BREAK
12.00	Meteorological implications of climate change for housing in cities — UHI Herbert Formayer
13.00	Discussion
13.30	LUNCH CAFETERIA
14.30	National Austrian adaptation strategy: Health & Housing Willi Haas
15.30	Discussion
16.00	COFFEE BREAK
16.30	Children's Awareness of flood disaster risk Funda Atun Girgin
17.30	Discussion
19.30	JOINT DINNER

Thursday 29 August 2019

Venue: SE W1.06

10.00	Green infrastructure's social/ecological responses to climate change Christine Rottenbacher
11.00	Discussion
11.30	COFFEE BREAK
12.00	Green infrastructure & water management Tim Cassidy
13.00	Discussion
13.30	LUNCH CAFETERIA
14.30	Harnessing wind and ventilation for cooling in urban settings Mathias Ratheiser
15.30	Discussion
16.00	COFFEE BREAK
16.30	Participatory risk management Franziska Schruth
17.30	Discussion



Venue: SE W1.06 & cycling

political, legal & organisatio- nal framework Paul Seitz
Cycling through Krems
Flood protection in Krems – excursion on bike Paul Seitz
Discussion
LUNCHBOX
UHI mitigation in public spaces, Krems – excursion on bike Christine Rottenbacher
Cycling back to campus
Summing up findings for assessment report BReUCom Consortium



















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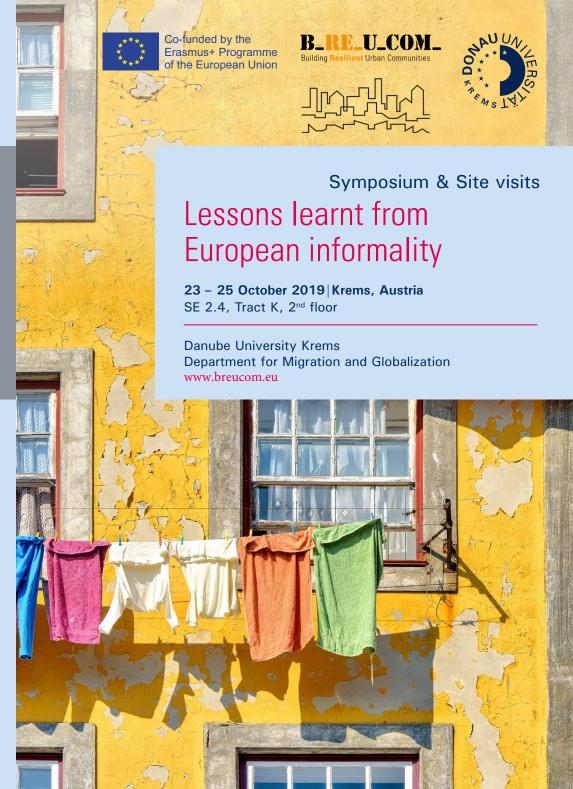
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Informal settlements and slums are considered to be an issue of developing and emerging countries. Nevertheless informal and precarious ways of housing are also observed by experts in Europe and the European Union over the past years. Increasing societal polarization, ethnical segregation and marginalisation oblige people and social groups, like refugees and roma communities, even in wealthy Europe to dwell in unsanitary and harmful circumstances.

In the Global South these informal settlements and slums are side effects of rapid urbanisation processes and many urban planners and social scientists have broad experiences on this subject.

In the context of urbanisation, cities of the Global South as well as the post-industrialized European area also face other challenges. Examples are a lack of access to jobs, poverty, homelessness, inequality, increasing crime and violence for which there is a need for build-in resilience.

Against this background Danube University invites experts from India and Europe from October 23rd—24th 2019 to a Symposium in Krems to discuss informal housing issues and provide an opportunity for an interdisciplinary and personal exchange between participants.

Wednesday 23 October 2019

Venue: SE 2.4

Nexus of housing and migration Sybille Münch
Discussion
COFFEE BREAK
Migrants, refugees and the nation of poverty in an affluent society Tania Berger
Discussion
LUNCH CAFETERIA
Housing and Minority Ethnic Groups in Europe Gideon Bolt
Discussion
COFFEE BREAK
Informal Housing in eastern Europe Wolfgang Amann
Discussion
JOINT DINNER

Thursday 24 October 2019

Venue: SE 2.4

10.00	Roma Settlement in Hungary Tünde Virág & András Vigvári
11.00	Discussion
11.30	COFFEE BREAK
12.00	Working in Roma Settlement in Bulgaria Ilko Yordanov
13.00	Discussion
13.30	LUNCH CAFETERIA
14.30	Bretteldörfer — historical informal housing in Vienna Friedrich Hauer & Andre Krammer
15.30	Discussion
16.00	COFFEE BREAK
16.30	Summing up findings for assessment report BReUCom team
18.00	Movie "PUSH" (http://www.pushthefilm.com) in cinema "Kino im Kesselhaus" on campus, public discussion

Friday 25 October 2019

bus tour

Bretteldörfer – historical informal housing in Vienna – excursion Bruckhaufen Friedrich Hauer & Andre Krammer
Travel within Vienna
Bretteldörfer — historical informal housing in Vienna — excursion Biberhaufen Friedrich Hauer & Andre Krammer
LUNCHBOX
Travel from Vienna to St. Pölten
Homeless shelter St. Pölten
Councelling persons in danger of homelessness



















The Faculty of Geo-Information Science and Earth Observation (ITC) at University of Twente was established as an autonomous institute in 1950. It is the oldest and largest international education institute in the Netherlands with presently well over 20.000 alumni. In 2010, ITC became the Faculty of Geo-information Science and Earth Observation of the University of Twente which has 3,300 staff members and 10,000 students with 900 registered at ITC. ITC's mandate is international education and capacity building and institutional development in countries that are economically and technologically less advanced. This is ITC's core business. ITC's activities concentrate on the application of geo-information tools and techniques applied to different fields such as natural resource management, urban planning, land administration or disaster management. In this field, ITC offers some 40 different specialisation courses, at postgraduate diploma, MSc and PhD levels, but also short and tailor-made diploma courses. The educational system is international and geared primarily towards mid-career professionals and scientists from developing countries. Courses are offered in a number of different modalities depending on the level of education and target audience.

The department of Urban and Regional Planning and Geo-Information Management (PGM) is responsible for developing capacity of organizations that are involved in the field of geo-information management for multi-level governance of urban regions. People, Land and Urban Systems (PLUS) is the core research theme of PGM. People, either as government planners, decision makers, policy makers or citizens are the primary users and participants in PLUS research. PLUS is concerned with providing government and citizens with appropriate information, participatory tools and land & urban information systems to manage and develop urban regions and natural resources sustainably. Spatial, environmental, economic, and social sustainability and participation are central concepts in the PLUS research theme.





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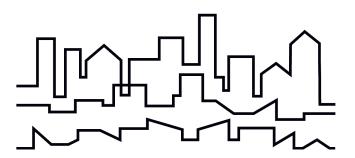
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Climate change will impact strongest on the weakest and therefore most vulnerable segments of urban societies. So, a need arises to strongly enhance resilience for adaptation and mitigation in order to prevent vicious cycles of disaster risk, poverty and vulnerability. There are development goals of addressing climate change impacts and pursuing low-carbon development pathways to meet the objectives of the Paris Agreement and India's Nationally Determined Commitments (NDCs). This is also of relevance under the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) and in particular Goal 11 which aims at cities and human settlements to be inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable. Further SDGs, such as Goal 1 of No poverty, Goal 5 of Gender Equality, Goal 8 of Decent work and Economic Growth, Goal 10 of Reduced Inequalities and Goal 13 of Climate action are important in Indian cities. The focus of contemporary planning and design needs to shift towards new paradigms of enabling increased resilience, quality of life and wellbeing, especially in poor, underserviced and often informal urban communities & immigrant and refugee settlements. There is therefore also a need for paradigmatic shift in the education of present and future urban professionals.

In this context, the main objective of the site visits in the Netherlands is to know more about EU best practice examples in (community led) climate change adaptation strategies. This could help in deepening of understanding on issues of urban resilience through onsite inspection and discussion. Intensive discussions during the site visits will-clarify how European experiences in these topics can be understood in their historic and socio-economic context, and what aspects might be transferable to specific Indian contexts.

Wednesday 26th February 2020

SITE VISIT Climate Adaptation in Zwolle. Municipality of Zwolle

08:00	Vegetarian breakfast at ITC
09:00	Departure from ITC building by bus
10:15	Arrival in Zwolle (bus stop at "de Eekwal")
10:30	Welcome with coffee at the City Hall (Grote Kerkplein 15 8011 PK, Zwolle)
11:00	Climate Adaptation in Zwolle — Interactive meeting
12:00	Vegetarian lunch at the City Hall
13:00	Climate city walk
14:30	City walk
17:15	Departure from Zwolle by bus (bus stop at "de Eekwal")
18:30	Arrival in Enschede at Restaurant Het Paradijs



Global challenges and local action panel discussion. Interaction with international students.

00:8	Vegetarian breakfast at ITC	
)8:45	Presentation: Prof. Richard Sliuzas on spatial planning (Venue: ITC Auditorium)	
0:30	Short break	
0:45	Breucom panel discussion and interaction with 120 international MSc students KRVIA: Manoj Parmar addressing global problems at the local level — the role of academia NITH: Inderpal Singh Vernacular solutions at local levels SPA Bhopal: Dr. Rama Pandey addressing global problems at the local level as an academic/planner using a case of a secondary city CURE: Barsha (and Siddharth): Rainwater harvesting community resilience work in the city of Agra	

12:00 Vegetarian lunch at ITC

SPARC: Sheela Patel Know your city | SDI

SITE VISIT University campus energy transition. University of Twente

SPA Vijayawada: Dr. Minakshi Jain:

addressing global problems at the local level as an

academic/planner using a case of a secondary city

13:00	Departure to the University Campus from ITC building by public bus
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	Arrival at "the Spiegel" University Campus
:30	Start of sustainability walk. Guided by: Brechje Maréchal,
	MSc. Environment & Sustainability Policy Officer

15:30 End of walk and departure from public bus stop

16:00 Arrival at bus station







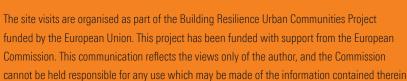














SITE VISIT Enschede flood protection. Municipality of Enschede

	08:00	Vegetarian breakfast at ITC
	09:00	Departure from ITC building by foot
	09:30	Arrival at Enschede Town hall and City Archive (Langestraat 24) Presentations on flood protections, water and climate adaptation projects. Visit to project areas in Enschede by foot and bus.
	12:30	Arrival at ITC building
	12:30	Vegetarian lunch at ITC



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