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WELCOME



Dr. Michael Ludwig, Vienna, Austria
Mayor of the City of Vienna

Dear participants of REAL CORP 2026!

On behalf of the City of Vienna, I would like to welcome you! I am delighted that such important topics as urban planning and regional development are on the agenda of such a high-profile conference. International exchange is the best way to tackle global challenges that affect us all equally.

This is particularly true when it comes to the impact of revolutionary modern technologies, especially AI. It is no coincidence that the central research question of REAL CORP 2026 is whether these innovations are really changing everything, including modern metropolises such as Vienna.

We are already feeling this change in our everyday lives: For example, more and more administrative processes in Vienna can be handled digitally; the BRISE project, for example, makes building permit procedures paperless, faster, more efficient, more sustainable and more transparent. In addition, Vienna has developed into an AI innovation centre.

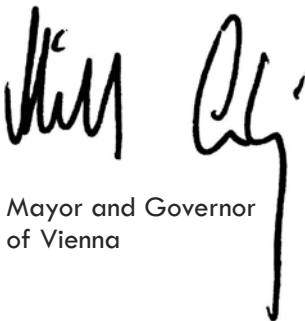
This process is guided by the principle of “digital humanism” – in other words, progress should make everyday life easier. The focus is on people, not progress. In this context, education will become a key resource. Our industrial societies are transforming into knowledge societies. That is why it is so important to set the course now for the best possible preparation of our children and young people so that they are ready for the growing challenges of the digital world.

In addition, it will be important to focus even more than before on international exchange. Especially in times of national solo efforts and protectionism, it is important to keep multinational forums for communication and cooperation open. After all, science and innovation are only truly stimulated by encounters on an equal footing and by learning from each other.

That is why I am very pleased that REAL CORP 2026, a major international conference, is taking a close look at the characteristics and effects of these fundamental transformations. Especially now – when change is already becoming apparent – it is important and necessary to develop ideas about where and how far we as societies want to go. We must not allow ourselves to be driven by this innovation process, but must shape it ourselves with social awareness and clear objectives.

REAL CORP 2026 makes an invaluable contribution in this regard. I am very excited to see the results and wish you all a successful and, above all, insightful conference!

Michael Ludwig



Mayor and Governor
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Idris Nechirvan Barzani
Chairman of Vision Education

Vision Education warmly welcomes participants to REAL CORP 2026!

Vision Education is honored to support the 31st International Conference on Urban Planning, Regional Development, and the Information Society in Vienna, Austria, in collaboration with CORP – Competence Center of Urban and Regional Planning. This important partnership reflects a shared commitment to advancing global dialogue and fostering academic and practical cooperation in the fields of urban planning, regional development, and the information society. As an institution committed to strengthening education and research in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq, Vision Education supports both private and public institutions while empowering citizens to contribute to positive change. Vision Education recognises the critical role of knowledge exchange, international collaboration, and interdisciplinary research in addressing the complex challenges facing contemporary cities and regions.

Sustainable urban growth, climate resilience, and technological innovation require forward-looking approaches that integrate education, policy, and practice at both regional and local levels. Through engagement with global academic networks and institutions, Vision Education seeks to contribute to the development of informed leadership, innovative research, and practical solutions that support sustainable and inclusive urban futures.

Partnerships such as this collaboration with CORP exemplify the value of building bridges between regions, institutions, and stakeholders to foster shared expertise, mutual understanding, and long-term cooperation.

We are proud to support this leading international conference, bringing together distinguished scholars, professionals, and policymakers in Vienna, and we look forward to the continued exchange of ideas that will help shape more resilient, sustainable, and intelligently planned cities for generations to come.

Idris Nechirvan Barzani, Chairman of Vision Education



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KommR Peter Hanke, Vienna, Austria;
Federal Minister of Innovation, Mobility, and Infrastructure

Welcome to REAL CORP 2026!

Our cities and regions stand at the threshold of a profound transformation. Climate change, demographic shifts, digitalisation, and evolving patterns of work and mobility are reshaping how we live, work, and move. Cities and regions are therefore central arenas for safeguarding quality of life, advancing sustainability, and strengthening social cohesion for all citizens.

Our shared goal is to create resilient, inclusive, and liveable urban environments. Research, technology, and innovation play a key role in achieving this objective. They provide essential tools for integrated spatial planning, enable evidence-based decision-making, and support sustainable solutions in areas such as energy, mobility, infrastructure, and public spaces. Strategic investment in research and innovation is indispensable to steering this transformation in a forward-looking and responsible manner.

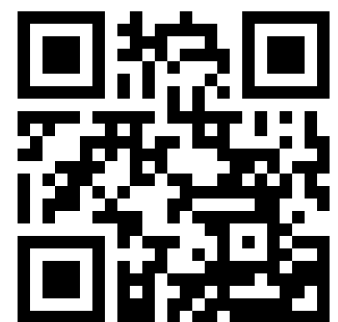
Integrated neighbourhood and district development is a particularly powerful lever in this context. By linking spatial, social, ecological, and economic dimensions, it enables complex challenges to be addressed holistically and makes the benefits of transformation tangible for citizens. Well-designed integrated neighbourhoods can serve as showcases for innovation, foster social cohesion, and act as key building blocks for sustainable urban and regional development.

In this spirit, I warmly welcome REAL CORP 2026 to Vienna. With its focus on integrated urban and regional development, the conference provides an important platform for international exchange and brings the discussion to Vienna's Otto-Wagner-Areal – a place that exemplifies transformation, innovation, a vibrant architectural culture, and the close connection between research, technology, and urban planning.

Peter Hanke
Federal Minister of Innovation, Mobility, and Infrastructure



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WELCOME



Manfred Schrenk, Vienna, Austria
Conference Director, Chairman CORP

WELCOME to REAL CORP 2026, the 31st International Conference on Urban Planning, Regional Development, Information Society and Urban, Transport, and Environmental Technologies at the historic ensemble of Otto-Wagner-Areal in Vienna, Austria!

As urban and regional landscapes become more complex, planning is no longer a linear process. It is adaptive, participatory, and often unpredictable. In urban and regional development, planning is both a discipline and a gamble. This conference gathers thinkers and doers to navigate the space between vision and reality – shaping futures one decision at a time.

For three decades, the REAL CORP conference series has been at the forefront of exploring the profound impact of information and communication technologies (ICT) on urban and regional development. As we navigate an era of unprecedented change, marked by rapid technological advancements, evolving societal structures, and pressing environmental challenges, REAL CORP 2026 invites researchers, practitioners, experts, activists and policymakers to contribute to the discourse on “Cherish Heritage, Plan Now, Create a Better Future!”

We are witnessing a paradigm shift in how our cities and regions function, are planned, and are experienced. From the pervasive influence of artificial intelligence and big data analytics to the imperative of climate resilience and inclusive governance, urban and regional landscapes are undergoing continuous metamorphosis. REAL CORP 2026 provides a vital platform to critically examine these transformations, share innovative solutions, and collectively envision sustainable and equitable futures.

The REAL CORP 2026 research question is: does technology and especially AI really revolutionise everything? Even CITIES, the biggest invention of mankind? New technologies and especially AI lead to many changes in all aspects of life, including in cities and regions and, of course, in planning processes. Still cities and regions are not primarily a playground for “new technologies” but the main goal is to have sustainable, resilient and above all livable environments. The soul of a livable future often lies in adequate density, adaptive reuse, green infrastructure, and places where communities thrive, with eco-conscious urban design, human-scale architecture, and inclusive public spaces! All this has to be planned, created, maintained and eventually renewed.

Planning is always an effort of many contributors and planners have to be part of all urban planning efforts – be it as experts, visionaries, strategists, co-ordinators, moderators and mediators, advocates and sometimes opposers. LET'S PLAN TOGETHER!

This year we brought together more than 250 participants from 35 countries worldwide. The main goal of the REAL CORP conference series is to bring together leading experts in the field of spatial planning, geoinformation and related disciplines to exchange their knowledge, share their ideas, discuss current developments and get together for face to face networking leading to the development of new thoughts, partnerships and projects.

The success of the REAL CORP conferences is – clearly without doubt – the result of the efforts of participants, reviewers, and the conference organising team. We would like to acknowledge the Reviewer Team and Programme Committee members for their valuable voluntary help with the review process. Our thanks go to all participants and authors of the submitted papers as well. The programme of this year's conference contain around 180 scientific contributions; 116 of them were selected after a double-blind, double-stage (for both abstracts and full papers) peer-review process for publication and presentation at REAL CORP 2026. The non-reviewed papers were accepted by the programme committee after a double-blind abstract review.

Welcome to Vienna! Welcome to Austria! Have a great conference!
Manfred Schrenk, Clemens Beyer and the REAL CORP Team



KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Prof. Piotr Lorens, Ph.D., urban planner. Gdańsk City Architect; Head of the Dept. of Advanced Urbanism at Gdańsk University of Technology. Post-graduate studies at Harvard University and Massachusetts Institute of Technology. His professional interests include urban planning and regeneration processes, focusing on waterfront areas and public spaces. Guest lecturer and visiting professor at numerous universities, conducting a professional career focusing on planning and managing urban regeneration projects. For many years involved in planning for the regeneration of the Young City in Gdańsk – the large-scale urban project located on the site of the former shipyard. Associated with international and Polish organisations: ICOMOS, TICCIH, ISOCARP, and Society of Polish Town Planners. Member of the Committee of Architecture and Urbanism and member of the Committee for Spatial Economy and Regional Planning, Polish Academy of Sciences.

Piotr Lorens, Gdańsk, Poland; Gdańsk City Architect and Head of Department of Advanced Urbanism at Gdańsk University of Technology



Dana Mawlood, Prof. Dr., is the Chief Executive Officer of Vision Education, a prominent educational organisation in the Kurdistan Region focused on delivering high-quality, progressive learning from early education through higher education. Appointed in 2025, he leads the organisation's strategic development, innovation, restyling the engagement initiatives among education sectors. Vision Education reinvests all profits from its private schools and universities into public and higher education, reflecting his commitment to using education as a catalyst for societal advancement. Concurrently, he serves as Director of Austria Community Centre, fostering cultural exchange and academic collaboration, mutual understanding and strengthening the ties between Austria and the Kurdistan Region and Director of Environmental Studies at the University of Kurdistan Hewlêr (UKH), fostering international collaboration in research and exchange in environmental and engineering education.

Dana Mawlood, Erbil, Iraq; CEO Vision Education



Navdeep Hanjra graduated from University of Sydney, Australia 2007 AS Master of Urban AND Regional Planning, followed by Executive Leadership programmes at Insead Business School and HEC Paris. She is a professional expert in master planning and city development with 25 years of experience in public and private sectors in four different countries including currently leading the master plans for the Royal Commission of AlUla, Saudi Arabia. She is Vice President of the Planning and Development General Department of AlUla County. Extensive range of direct experience in core city delivery areas including organisational transformation and business process reengineering, transport infrastructure, land and real estate management and initiating creative digital and geospatial improvements and dashboards. Incorporating the interests of the community in the development and design process by providing a service through the AlUla design process and comprehensive service centre.

Navdeep Hanjra, AlUla, Saudi Arabia; Planning and Development General Department of AlUla County



Aнна Wang is Senior Policy Officer at the Austrian Ministry for Innovation, Mobility and Infrastructure, in the Department for Energy and Environmental Technologies. She leads various R&I (funding) initiatives related to urban transitions and climate neutrality in cities as well as the topics of competitiveness of clean tech and industry. She is also in charge of the strategic steering of the European Partnership Driving Urban Transitions and represents Austria in various European and international initiatives, among them relevant expert groups of the EC (Horizon Europe Cluster 5 and Cities Mission), IEA CERT, and Mission Innovation.

Anna Wang, Vienna, Austria; Austrian Ministry for Innovation, Mobility and Infrastructure, Senior Policy Officer

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Thomas Madreiter, Vienna, Austria; City Planning Director of the City of Vienna

Dipl.-Ing. Thomas Madreiter is city planning director of the city of Vienna. Born in Salzburg, he studied spatial planning at TU Wien and started working in 1995 for the city of Vienna in the departments of planning and architecture. From 2001 he was responsible for financial activities, economic policy and public utility services. 2005 he became leader of the city development and planning department. He was also involved in the foundation of the city of Vienna's energy planning department and since January 2013 he is city planning director.



Madina Junussova, Almaty, Kazakhstan; University of Central Asia, Graduate School of Development

Madina Junussova, PhD, is a Senior Research Fellow at the Institute of Public Policy and Administration and Urban Development Lead at the Graduate School of Development, University of Central Asia. She holds two doctoral degrees: in Urban Planning from Kazakhstan and in Public Policy from Carleton University, Canada. With over 20 years of experience in urban and regional policy research, she has contributed to the OECD Urban Policy Review: Kazakhstan and served as an expert member of UNICEF's External Reference Group on Children's Rights and Urban Planning. She is currently the Principal Investigator of the Naryn Urban Resilience Programme and the Resilient University Town Development initiative. Her research and development work focuses on sustainable urban transformation, just transition, and evidence-based policy making in Central Asia.



Chynarkan Saparova, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan; University of Central Asia, Graduate School of Development

Chynarkan Saparova is an Urban Resilience Projects Manager at the University of Central Asia and has been managing the Naryn Urban Resilience Programme (NURP) since 2023. She has twenty years of experience in project management, and her academic background includes outstanding universities in Kyrgyzstan, Europe, and the USA. She holds an Executive Master's in Development Policies and Practices from the Graduate Institute of Geneva, Switzerland, and a special programme for Urban and Regional Studies from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA. Chynarkan has been a Board Member of the Association of Fulbright Alumni in Kyrgyzstan since 2019 and was a member of the Development Partners' Coordination Council (DPCC) established under the State Agency on Local Self-Governance and Interethnic Relations (SALSGIR) in Kyrgyzstan during 2013-2018.



Ali A. Alraouf, Washington D. C., USA; Center for Middle East Architecture and Urbanism, Urban Lab and Design Studio

Ali A. Alraouf is an architect, urban designer, planner and professor of architecture and urbanism interested in research and practice related to comprehensive sustainable design and urbanism. He has advised organisations that range from the World Bank to the United Nations Development Program. He provides consultancy in numerous projects and acts as a consultant for international organisations such as UNDP, UNEP, UN-Habitat, UNESCO, ESCOWA, ICOMOS. He serves in editorial boards and acts as a reviewer for international journals and conferences. In addition to teaching and research, Alraouf acts as Head of Center for Middle Eastern Urbanism, Washington DC, Senior advisor of research and development at the Qatar urban planning sector and Head of Urban Lab and Design Studio.



KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Uschi Dorau is a senior expert in urban development with more than 25 years of professional experience in city, regional and environmental planning, strategic development processes and geospatial analysis. Her expertise spans urban and neighbourhood development, mixed-use and open space planning, strategic master planning, monitoring systems and participatory processes. She is holding a degree from the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences Vienna (BOKU) and postgraduate qualifications in GIS, innovation management and intercultural management. International project experience has taken her to Oman, Tanzania, Albania and the Caucasus. Currently, she works at Urban Innovation Vienna, where she supports complex strategy and implementation processes for urban transformation projects, innovation initiatives and policy-related planning at city and project level.

Uschi Dorau; Vienna, Austria; UIV – Urban Innovation Vienna



Katharina Höftberger is an urban planner and Team Lead for Urban Development at UIV Urban Innovation Vienna – the City of Vienna’s agency for climate and innovation. Her work focuses on the sustainable transformation of cities and urban spaces. With a strong interest in holistic development, she contributes both to the creation of integrated strategies and to translating strategic goals into concrete action. Her work is informed by a research background on sensitive approaches to local heritage in urban transformation processes and on the involvement of diverse stakeholder groups.

Katharina Höftberger, Vienna, Austria; UIV – Urban Innovation Vienna



Darinka Golubović Matić is a Professor at the Faculty of Construction Management, Department of Architecture and Urbanism, Union University – Nikola Tesla, Belgrade. She serves as Treasurer and Board Member of the International Urban Professional Forum. With over 20 years of experience in academia, nonprofit leadership, and international project management, she pioneered the application of GIS methodology for quantifying available locations along railways in Murgtal Valley, Germany. Her research focuses on urbanism, sustainable development, environmental protection, urban ecology, and revitalization. She leads global teams of volunteers and is passionate about creating sustainable communities through responsible environmental practices and inclusive education. She has authored numerous scientific papers and publications that contribute to the development of contemporary urban practice and theory.

Darinka Golubović Matić, Belgrade, Serbia; Union Nikola Tesla University



David Calas is an architect, urbanist/ruralist, and professor for adaptive reuse. As founder of Studio Calas in Vienna, he explores how urban and rural spaces intersect and evolve. His work challenges conventions and rethinks how we design the spaces we inhabit. In his practice he navigates the fields of sustainable architecture, urban transformation, rural challenges, socio-cultural dynamics and participatory processes. His projects are rooted in theoretical, research-based, and practice-oriented approaches, allowing shifts in perspective and scale. He currently holds the Professorship for Adaptive Reuse at the University of Applied Sciences in Salzburg and a Visiting Professorship at the Politecnico di Milano. Since 2024, he has been a member of the Academic Body of the Norman Foster Institute on Sustainable Cities in Madrid, and since 2025, a member of the Academic Advisory Board of the Green.Building.Solutions Summer University in Vienna.

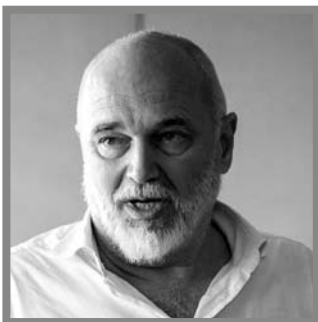
David Calas, Salzburg, Austria/Milano, Italy; Salzburg University of Applied Sciences/Politecnico di Milano

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS



Sherwan Sharif Qurtas, Soran, Iraq; President of Soran University

Dr. Sherwan Sharif Qurtas, the president of Soran University since 2021. Was born in February 1975 in Erbil – Kurdistan of Iraq. He studied geology, hydrology, and hydrogeology. He has held various prominent positions in academia and the public sector, from March 2018 to August 2021 he served as the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering. Prior to these roles, he was entrusted with heading departments in petroleum geosciences, geography, and natural geography. His expertise led him to contribute significantly to higher education committees and governmental bodies within the Ministry. Throughout his career, Dr. Qurtas has worked with UN agencies, companies, and the Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG), the first his official employment was in the Ministry of Irrigation and Agriculture. His professional interests lie in the realms of groundwater management, environmental engineering, and sustainability, driving his dedication to research and innovation in these fields.



Dietmar Wiegand, Munich, Germany/Vienna, Austria; Munich University of Digital Technologies and Applied Sciences, TU Wien

Dietmar Wiegand is Rector of the Munich University of Digital Technologies and Applied Sciences, University Professor for Real Estate Development and Project Management at TU Wien, Managing Director of the Institute of Property Research (IPRE) in Vienna, Managing Director of Movatoo GmbH, a Development Company for Educational Buildings, Founder and Managing Director of lease2learn, a leasing company for student centered learning environment and Board member of the association of independent schools in Vienna (WDV). The common thread that connects all these activities is the desire to systematically optimize the planning, construction, and operation of the built environment and to improve the educational landscape in general.



Franz Nahrada, Bad Radkersburg, Austria; Futurologist and Author

Franz Nahrada, born 1954, studied sociology and philosophy in Vienna, did research and development in the field of new media and the upcoming computer revolution and decided to focus on the relation between digital communication, social innovations and spatial development, Inspired by Douglas Engelbart he became very much interested in a “bootstrap community” and “reality labs” to test the idea of rural areas augmented by digital connections and services. He served as president of ECOVAST Austria and initiated several groundbreaking conferences and exhibitions, spanning from Telework, Digitalized Cultural Heritage to NGO cooperation, Open Source Hardware and New Rurban Habitat development. He moved to the small town of Bad Radkersburg and initiated a “Village University” to test the hypothesis that “urban qualities can be stimulated in rural villages by letting people collectively shape their own education according to their needs and potentials.”



Dagmar Cagánová, Prague, Czechia; Newton University, Vice Rector for Internationalisation

Dagmar Cagánová is a full professor of Economics and Management of Enterprise and currently serves as Vice-Rector for Internationalisation and Director of International Programmes at Newton University in Prague. Her academic and professional focus includes intercultural and innovation management, international marketing, smart cities, and mobility. She has led and contributed to numerous international projects, serves on multiple advisory and accreditation bodies, and has authored over 400 publications with significant citation impact.



PANELISTS



Arch. Dipl.-Ing. Ernst Rainer is an architect, spatial planner and state-authorized civil engineer in Austria. He is the founder and managing director of the Office for Resilient Spatial and Urban Development e.U. with offices in Graz and Klagenfurt. He studied architecture and spatial planning at Graz University of Technology, VUT Brno and CTU Prague. From 2008 to 2019, he was a research assistant and head of the URBA Graz research group at the Institute of Urban Development at Graz University of Technology. He has been self-employed since 2019. His work focuses on integrative urban and local development concepts (ISEK), local development concepts (ÖEK), climate-active neighbourhood development and advising municipalities and cities on sustainable spatial and urban development.

Ernst Rainer, Graz, Austria; Büro für resiliente Raum- und Stadtentwicklung (Office for Resilient Spatial and Urban Development)



Hans Rüdiger Kaufmann is Full Professor Marketing at the University of Nicosia in Cyprus since 2006 until today. Since 2016, he is affiliated with the University of Applied Management Studies Mannheim as Professor for International Sales Management. Consumerism and Entrepreneurship related topics are the core of his well cited research reflected in many publications, editorial engagement, keynotes, and international conference publications/organisation. In particular, his interests revolve around consumerism related themes such as branding, luxury, identity and new trends, i.e. sustainability, digitalisation and AI. Prof. Kaufmann is Editor-in-Chief of the journal Progress in Industrial Ecology. He has been a launching member and President/Vice President of the following research networks: American Marketing Association (AMA) Global Marketing SIG, EuroMed Research Business Institute, CIRCLE International, Consumer Brand Relationship Institute.

Hans Rüdiger Kaufmann, Mannheim, Germany; University of Applied Management Studies



Prof. Dr. Dolores Sanchez Bengoa is Vice-President for International Relations at the University of Applied Management Studies in Mannheim, Germany, since 2016. In 2021 she became member of the board of the European Association for Professional Education (EVBB). She is Professor for international business. Her responsibilities include the development of international co-operations as well as the internationalization strategy of the university. She is professor in international business, lecturing at postgraduate and master level and researcher in EU projects. She was the national project leader for the three-year European project DevOps and Smart Cities. Her professional focus is on intercultural management, leadership, communication, knowledge transfer and smart cities. Over the last 28 years she has accumulated an extensive intercultural experience by working, teaching, researching, and living in seven European countries.

Dolores Sanchez Bengoa, Mannheim, Germany; University of Applied Management Studies



Prof. Muayad Aghali Merza (MBChB, MSc, PhD, PDipID, FRCP Glasg) is a Professor of Infectious Diseases, clinician, and researcher from Duhok, the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. He currently serves as Vice President for Scientific Affairs at Nawroz University and works as an Infectious Diseases specialist at Azadi Teaching Hospital in Duhok. Prof. Merza's research interests include tuberculosis, viral hepatitis, COVID-19, and infectious disease epidemiology. He has authored numerous peer-reviewed publications and actively participates in international research collaborations and capacity-building initiatives in healthcare and medical education..

Muayad Aghali Merza, Dohuk, Iraq; Vice President for Scientific Affairs at Nawroz University, Professor of Infectious Diseases

SPECIAL SESSIONS

Schlüsselprojekte für leistbares Wohnen

Podiumsdiskussion: 24. März, 15:00, Auditorium 3

Eingeleitet durch Impulsvorträge zu aktuellen Innovationsprojekten widmet sich die Session „Leistbares Wohnen“ einem vertiefenden Fachdiskurs zu zentralen Fragestellungen:

- Wie lässt sich „leistbares Wohnen“ unter heutigen gesellschaftlichen, wirtschaftlichen und ökologischen Rahmenbedingungen definieren?
- Welche Potenziale bietet leistbares Wohnen für eine zukunftsorientierte Orts- und Stadtentwicklung sowie für neue Formen der Unternehmenskultur (z. B. im Kontext von Arbeitersiedlungen)?
- Wer sind die zentralen Akteurinnen, Akteure und Schlüssel-Stakeholder, die leistbares Wohnen in Dörfern und Städten ermöglichen und vorantreiben?
- Endet leistbares Wohnen an der Wohnungstür – oder braucht es ein qualitätsvolles, sozial und infrastrukturell gut eingebundenes Wohnumfeld?
- Welche Rolle spielen Neubau und Sanierung im Kontext eines nachhaltigen und leistbaren Wohnbaus?
- Welche planerischen, politischen und wirtschaftlichen Instrumente sind erforderlich, um leistbares Wohnen in Österreich und Europa langfristig zu sichern?

Im gemeinsamen Fachdialog sollen Erfahrungen ausgetauscht, Herausforderungen reflektiert und konkrete, zukunftsweisende Ansätze für Projektinitiativen im Bereich des leistbaren Wohnens für Gemeinden und Städte erörtert werden.

Es diskutieren:

Vera CASPER, ÖBB Infrastruktur AG, Strategische Steuerung Immobilien; Wien, AT

Gerhard HOFER, e7 GmbH; Wien, AT

Werner SELLINGER, grünplan Landschaftsarchitekten, Leobendorf/Salzburg, AT

Silvia HOFER, Wohnfonds Wien, AT

Markus PENDELMAYR, einszueins architektur, Wien, AT

Ruth HÖPLER, Future Lab TU Wien, AT

Amila ŠIRBEGOVIĆ, IBA Wien, AT



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The Future of Education – Is Europe Becoming the School of the World?

Panel Discussion: 24 March, 11:30, Auditorium 1

We associate education with many different things: a safe and prosperous future for our children; competitiveness and foreign direct investment in the regions we care about; education as a means of preventing a relapse into “barbarism”, as the sociologist Theodor W. Adorno described it. And by barbarism he meant many aspects of the political developments we are observing today. But education is also a business, and countries like Austria and Germany, for example, are highly regarded in engineering disciplines and have growing student numbers. **Europe is becoming the school of the world.** Investments in student housing and education-related real estate are ranked 3rd and 9th, respectively, in Europe according to the ULI Report “Emerging Trends in Real Estate” 2025. However, education is also a political battleground. The “shift from teaching to learning” has not yet been implemented at many universities. Emancipatory education, even more than a century after the writings of the reform pedagogue Maria Montessori, is still largely absent in many schools! Education for obedience dominates, even though we urgently need disobedience for the competitiveness of businesses. And now, **artificial intelligence offers opportunities and challenges on an unprecedented scale**, including for regional development. It’s time to envision the future of education and to act.

Panelists:

Dietmar WIEGAND, TU Wien, Institute of Urban Design and Landscape Architecture; Vienna, AT

Dagmar CAGÁŇOVÁ, Newton University, Vice Rector for Internationalisation; Prague, Czech Republic

Dana MAWLOOD, Vision Education; Erbil, Kurdistan/Iraq

Darinka GOLUBOVIĆ MATIĆ, Union Nikola Tesla University; Belgrade, Serbia

Hans Rüdiger KAUFMANN, University of Applied Management Studies Mannheim, DE

Dolores SANCHEZ BENGOA, University of Applied Management Studies Mannheim, DE

The New City and the New Countryside

Panel Discussion: 24 March, 15:00, Auditorium 1

A Win-Win Game of Bringing Urban Quality to Rural Areas and Village Qualities to our Cities

Urbanisation no longer means moving to cities – and rural development no longer means decline. This panel explores how in-situ urbanisation, digital connectivity, and new spatial models are reshaping the relationship between cities and the countryside. By linking highly specialised urban knowledge systems with vibrant rural and small-town “front ends,” a win-win dynamic emerges: cities are relieved of demographic pressure, while rural areas gain vitality, services, and future-oriented relevance. Using international perspectives and Austrian examples, the session discusses how this new synthesis can materialise in physical space – sustainably, scalably, and with high quality of life for both city and countryside.

Panelists:

Franz NAHRADA, Futurologist; Bad Radkersburg, AT

Georg NEUMANN, Tramregion Salzkammergut; Gmunden, AT

Kornelia SENZENBERGER, Tramregion Salzkammergut; Gmunden, AT

Navdeep HANJRA, Planning and Development General Department of Al Ula County; Al Ula, Saudi Arabia

Judith RYSER, Urban Thinker; London, UK

SPECIAL SESSIONS

Governance and Planning Approaches for Transforming Regions 25 March, 09:30–13:00, Auditorium 2



Achieving transformative change remains one of the most pressing challenges for contemporary governance approaches and spatial planning. As regions across Europe and beyond grapple with the demands of decarbonisation, socio-ecological resilience, and economic restructuring, the question of how to govern transformation processes becomes urgent. Sustainability-oriented policies and associated governance and planning instruments thus provide new directions for regional strategies and local practices. However, their translation into regional and local contexts raises complex issues of power, responsibility, and institutional capacities.

This session features contributions that critically explore the governance of transformations through regional and place-based perspectives. In this context, it focuses on the evolving roles of actors and multi-level governance approaches that shape place-making strategies, but also the tools, innovative instruments, and new planning formats that foster transformative change. We will take insights into **how research and practice intersect in the design and implementation of just transition strategies**, and how methodological and conceptual innovations can support more inclusive and adaptive governance models.

By bringing together diverse **perspectives from academia and practice**, this session fosters the dialogue on how to make regional governance more capable, inclusive, and transformative in steering sustainable futures.

Coordinated and chaired by **Barbara DEMETEROVA** and **Johannes SUITNER**, TU Wien, Institute of Spatial Planning, Research Unit Urban and Regional Research; Vienna, AT

Housing Affordability 25 March, 15:00, Auditorium 2



Over the last decade, housing affordability has become a key concern for households, policy makers, planners alike. Escalating housing costs, stagnant real incomes, and structural shifts in housing systems have made access to adequate and affordable housing increasingly unequal. This session features contributions that explore the drivers of housing (un)affordability, the role of housing policy and planning, and the socio-spatial implications of these dynamics across different urban, regional, and national contexts.

The session fosters the dialogue between scholars examining affordability as both an economic and spatial problem, and those addressing **how planning interventions and housing policies can mitigate or exacerbate affordability pressures.**

By integrating insights across disciplines and scales, it aims to deepen our understanding of the complex relationships between housing markets, planning, and policy. It seeks to advance the debate on how planning and governance can effectively respond to the economic inequality and socio-spatial consequences of affordability crises in contemporary housing systems.

Coordinated and chaired by **Selim BANABAK**, TU Wien, Institute of Spatial Planning, Research Unit Urban and Regional Research; Vienna, AT



Sunday, 22 March 2026

16:00–18:00	Guided City Tour (meeting point near city centre to be announced, registration on MY.CORP necessary)
from 18:00	Informal Welcome and Ice Breaking

Monday, 23 March 2026

	Auditorium 1	Auditorium 2	Auditorium 3	Auditorium 4	Auditorium 5
09:00–10:00	Arrival, Registration				
10:00–13:00	Musical Welcome, Conference Opening, Keynotes				
13:00–14:00	Lunch Break				
14:00–16:00	Keynotes				
16:00–16:30	Coffee Break				
16:30–18:00	Presentations (EN)		Presentations (DE)	Presentations (EN)	Presentations (EN)
from 18:00	Official REAL CORP 2026 Evening Reception at Otto-Wagner-Areal (conference venue)				

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11:00–11:30	Coffee Break				
11:30–13:00	Panel Discussion: The Future of Education	Presentations (EN)	Presentations (DE)	Presentations (EN)	Presentations (EN)
13:00–14:00	Lunch Break				
14:00–15:00	Keynotes after Lunch				
15:00–16:30	Panel Discussion: Future of Countryside	Presentations (EN)	Podiumsdiskussion: ZuZugLeben	Presentations (EN)	Presentations (EN)
16:30–17:00	Coffee Break				
17:00–18:30	Presentations (EN)	Presentations (EN)	Presentations (DE)	Presentations (EN)	Presentations (EN)
from 18:30	City tour on a vintage tram (registration via MY.CORP necessary, additional fare EUR 20.-)				

Wednesday, 25 March 2026

	Auditorium 1	Auditorium 2	Auditorium 3	Auditorium 4	Auditorium 5
09:30–11:00	Presentations (EN)	Special Topic TU Wien – SRF (EN)	Presentations (DE)	Presentations (EN)	Presentations (EN)
11:00–11:30	Coffee Break				
11:30–13:00	Presentations (EN)	Special Topic TU Wien – SRF (EN)	Presentations (DE)	Presentations (EN)	Presentations (EN)
13:00–14:00	Lunch Break				
14:00–15:00	Keynotes after Lunch				
15:00–16:30	Presentations (EN)	Special Topic TU Wien – SRF (EN)	Presentations (DE)	Presentations (EN)	Presentations (EN)
16:30–17:00	Coffee Break				
17:00–18:30	Presentations (EN)	Presentations (EN)	Presentations (EN)	Presentations (EN)	Presentations (EN)
from 18:30	REAL CORP Closing: Final Discussion, Conclusion, Outlook				








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Time	Auditorium 1
10:00-11:30	Musical Welcome by Music and Arts University of the City of Vienna Conference Opening and Keynotes
MONDAY	Welcome to REAL CORP 2026 Manfred SCHRENK Conference Director Dana MAWLOOD Vision Education; Erbil, Iraq Dolores SANCHEZ BENGEOA University of Applied Management Studies Mannheim, DE Ali A. ALRAOUF IUPF – International Urban Professionals Forum; Paris, France Piotr LORENS ISOCARP – International Society of City and Regional Planners; The Hague, NL
	 Tangible, Intangible, Imagined – Dealing with Heritage in Contemporary Participatory Planning Processes Piotr LORENS Gdańsk University of Technology, Dept. of Urban Design and Regional Planning; Gdańsk, PL
	 Climate Change Impacts on Urban Planning and Development in Iraq: Challenges and Adaptive Strategies Dana MAWLOOD Vision Education; Erbil, Iraq
11:30-13:00	Opening Keynotes
TUESDAY	 AI Ula Transformation: A Vision for Regeneration and Community-Centric Development Navdeep HANJRA Royal Commission for AIUla, VP Planning & Development; AI Ula, Saudi Arabia
	 The Austrian Cities Mission – Cities as Pioneers of Innovation and Transformation Anna WANG Austrian Federal Ministry of Innovation, Mobility and Infrastructure
	 The Future, OWA Hello Heribert FRUHAUF Otto Wagner Areal Revitalisierung GmbH, CEO; Vienna, AT
13:00-14:00	Lunch Break
WEDNESDAY	




Monday, 23 March 2026

Auditorium 1		Time
Keynotes		14:00-16:00
	<p>Welcome on Behalf of the City of Vienna Omar AL-RAWI City of Vienna, Chair of Committee for Urban development, Mobility and Vienna Public Utilities</p>	MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY
	<p>Planning Strategy of the City of Vienna Thomas MADREITER City of Vienna, City Planning Director; Vienna, AT</p>	
	<p>Innovation, Mobility, Infrastructure – Austria’s Strategy for the Future Peter HANKE Austrian Federal Minister of Innovation, Mobility and Infrastructure</p>	
	<p>Key Lessons from Building Urban Resilience in Central Asian Mountain Towns Madina JUNUSSOVA, Chynara SAPAROVA University of Central Asia, Graduate School of Development; Kazakhstan/Kyrgyzstan</p>	
	<p>Community-Centered Urban Regeneration: The Narrative of Doha Traditional City Centre Ali. A. ALRAOUF Center f. Middle East Architecture & Urbanism, Urban Lab & Design Studio; Washington D. C., USA</p>	
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Coffee Break		16:00-16:30

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Time	Auditorium 1	
16:30-18:00	<p>The State of the Art in Urban Planning Chair: Barbara GOLICNIK MARUSIC</p>	
<p>MONDAY</p> <p>TUESDAY</p> <p>WEDNESDAY</p>	<p>Cities are the Answer – Vienna’s Approach to Urban Planning Clemens HORAK City of Vienna, Head of Urban Development and Planning Department; Vienna, AT</p> <p>🏆 It’s A Kind of Magic! Addressing The Arnstein Gap in Planning with the QICE Public Participation Performance Framework Keiron BAILEY*, Ted GROSSARDT** * University of Arizona, Office of Research and Partnerships; Tucson, Arizona, USA ** Voxpopuli LLC, Principal; Lexington, KY, USA</p> <p>The Site as a Score – Reading a Place Dieter BOYER Music and Arts University of the City of Vienna, Vice-Rector for Organisational Development</p> <div data-bbox="224 1544 821 1862" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin-top: 20px;">  <p>http://live.corp.at</p> <p>LIVE CONFERENCE GUIDE</p> </div>	
from 18:00	<p>REAL CORP 2026 Evening Reception at Otto-Wagner-Areal</p>	



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Auditorium 3	Auditorium 4	Auditorium 5	Time
<p>Mobilität im Mittelpunkt Moderation: Linda DÖRRZAPF</p>	<p>AI & IT in Spatial Planning Chair: Judith RYSER</p>	<p>Future of the Countryside Chair: Ali A. ALRAOUF</p>	<p>16:30-18:00</p>
<p>🏆 Visuelle und KI-gestützte Risikoanalyse von Ausfällen der Straßenverkehrsinfrastruktur zur Vermeidung klimabedingter Schadensereignisse durch eine erhöhte Waldbrandgefahr N. MATHEIS*, S. HENNINGER** * LBM Kaiserslautern/RPTU Kaiserslautern-Landau, DE ** RPTU Kaiserslautern-Landau, DE</p> <p>Teilen ohne Barrieren: Anforderungen und Handlungsspielräume für barrierefreies Carsharing und Mitfahren K. HANNA, I. SERAFIMOVIC, N. HODZIC-SRNDIC Austriatech, Innovating Mobility; Vienna, AT</p> <p>🏆 Von der Nische zur Norm! Mobilitätsprofile als Wissensbasis für die Förderung eines aktiven, nachhaltigen Mobilitätsverhaltens in nö. Städten P. SCHERHAUFER, M. BRAITO, S. WEGENER, E. SCHAUPPENLEHNER-KLOYBER BOKU University; Vienna, AT</p> <p>Überholverhalten von Kraftfahrzeugen gegenüber Radfahrenden im urbanen Mischverkehr: Empirische Untersuchung des Interaktionsverhaltens in Bogotá (COL) M. BEJARANO, J. ECKART, C. LUTZ Karlsruhe University of Applied Science; Karlsruhe, DE</p>	<p>🏆 Transforming Environmental Planning through Data-driven Structural Models and AI: Chances for Climate-Responsive Urban Landscapes in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia Amelie MEISSNER, Margherita BERTOLERO, Michael GRÄF LAND Consulting Austria GmbH; Wien, AT</p> <p>🏆 Technology of Input Control without the Use of Neural Networks Tatiana POPOVICH, Katerina MALTSEV, Angelina SHALYAKINA IST Bureau LLC; St. Petersburg, Russia</p> <p>🏆 Planning and Governance Model for AI Enabled Spatial Intelligence and New Urban Economics Shrimoyee RAUT Arizona State University; Tempe, USA</p> <p>🏆 Contamination of Some Edible Plants Irrigated by Municipal Wastewater and their Efficiency for Bioaccumulation Karzan M. KHALID Soran University; Soran, Iraq</p>	<p>🏆 Cherishing Human-Elephant Landscapes with GIS-LBS: A LUCIS-Based Negotiation Framework for Human-Elephant Coexistence in Sri Lanka C. ABENAYAKE*, A. JAYASINGHE*, K. LAHIRU*, S. SANKALPA*, G. DIWYANJALI*, S. KANGARA*, C. DE SILVA*, G. RETSCHER**, J. G. MAJIC** * University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka ** TU Wien, Department of Geodesy and Geoinformation; Vienna, AT</p> <p>🏆 A Toolbox to Analyse Sustainable Mobility in Land-Use Planning Processes: Methodological Challenges and Approaches for Residential Developments in Rural Areas J. ECKART, C. RICKERT, N. ZAHABKAR AGHDAM, C. LUTZ Karlsruhe Univ. of Applied Sciences, DE</p> <p>🏆 Digital Participatory Rural Appraisal Approach for Smart Sustainable Rural Development P. RAUT*, S. RAUT**, V. KUMAR*** * School of Planning and Architecture; New Delhi, India ** Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs; New Delhi, India *** Indian Institute of Technology; New Delhi, India</p> <p>🏆 Integrating Traditional Authority Participation into Land Use Planning: Implications for Sustainable Rural Housing Delivery T. GUMBO, N. MZOBE, T.MOYO, S. MBATHA, V. LETSOKO, M. MNDZEBELE Univ. of Johannesburg, South Africa</p>	<p>MONDAY</p> <p>TUESDAY</p> <p>WEDNESDAY</p>
			<p>from 18:00</p>

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09:30-11:00	Urban and Regional Governance Chair: Judith RYSER	Innovation in Urban Development Chair: Gerhard NAVRATIL
MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY	<p>Quadruple Helix Model and Whole-of-Government Approach as the Basis of Contemporary Resource Efficient Integrated Urban Development Christian NUSSMÜLLER City of Graz, Executive Office for Urban Planning, Development and Construction; Graz, AT</p> <p>🏆 Co-Productive Project Development in Urban and Regional Planning Sarah SCHREINER D2S Urban Development; Hamburg, DE</p> <p>Six Theses on the Underrated Grounds on Urban Knowledge Production Denis Can TEOMAN Monash University Indonesia, Urban Design; Tangerang, Indonesia</p> <p>🏆 Gender-Inclusive School Architecture: An International Comparison Carla SCHWADERER TU Wien, Institut für Gebäudelehre und Entwerfen; Wien, AT</p> <p>🏆 Urban Conservation of Water Branches as Heritage: Educational Integration in Land Use Planning in Zakho Awaz HUSSEIN*, Dana MAWLOOD** * University of Kurdistan Hewlêr; Erbil, Iraq ** Vision Education; Erbil, Iraq</p> <p>Presentations marked with 🏆 are reviewed papers.</p>	<p>Affordable Housing in Vienna Nicole BÜCHL*, Lisa-Anna STEINMETZ** *Wohnfonds Wien, Bereichsleitung Sanierung; Vienna, AT **Wohnfonds Wien, Projektleitung Liegenschaftsmanagement und Qualitätssicherung; Vienna, AT</p> <p>🏆 Evaluating Spatial Flexibility in Small Residential Units before, during, and after COVID-19 Bina Abdulwahid SAID*, Hussein Salman ABDULLAH** * Nawroz University; Dohuk, Iraq ** Mosul University; Mosul, Iraq</p> <p>🏆 Positive Energy Districts and Energy Poverty Clemens MAYER*, Sebastian SEEBAUER*, Andreas TÜRK*, Michael BRENNER-FLIESSER*, Mia ALA-JUUSELA** * Joanneum Research; Graz, AT ** VTT; Helsinki, Finland</p> <p>🏆 Urban Air Quality in Duhok City: The First Year-Long Monitoring Study of CO, NO₂, SO₂, and O₃ Hassan Mohammed Hassan MEZURI Environmental Directorate of Duhok; Dohuk, Iraq</p>
11:00-11:30	Coffee Break	

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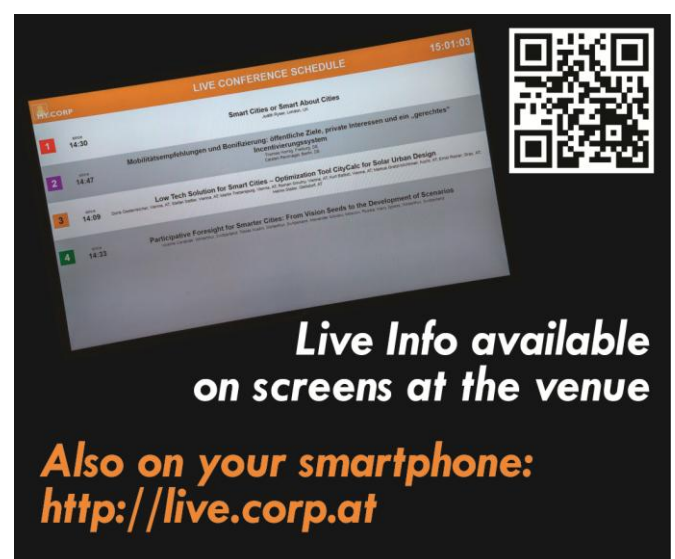
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Auditorium 3	Auditorium 4	Auditorium 5	Time
<p>Aus der kommunalen Planung Moderation: Peter ZEILE</p>	<p>Walking and Biking the City Chair: Roman KLEMENTSCHITZ</p>	<p>Small and Medium-Sized Cities Chair: Madina JUNUSSOVA</p>	<p>09:30-11:00</p>
<p>🏆 Methodische Lücken und digitale Potenziale: Kommunale Entscheidungsprozesse im Wandel der Planungskultur Christin Juliana MÜLLER Eidg. Forschungsanstalt WSL, Landnutzungssysteme; Birmensdorf, CH</p> <p>🏆 Verantwortung im Städtebau im Umgang mit Bestand, Leerstand, Ressourcen und räumlichem Erbe Karina BRÜNNER Institut für Städtebau; Graz, AT</p> <p>🏆 Wiener Forschungsfragen: Wissen für eine klimagerechte Stadt J. LUTTER*, F. OBERNDORFER**, K. MEISSNER-SCHÖLLER**, B. STASTNY**, M. HOLZER*, C. KUPNIK*, S. STARNBERGER* * UIV Urban Innovation Vienna GmbH; Vienna, AT ** Magistratsdirektion Wien, Bereichsleitung für Wissenschaft, Forschung und Wirtschaftsstandort; Wien, AT</p>	<p>🏆 Capturing the Spatio-temporal Rhythm of Pedestrian Movements through Built Environment Data in German Street Networks C. ABENAYAKE, A. JAYASINGHE, S. HANTSCHHEL, E. GOLPAYEGANI, M. MEDICUS, R. GERIKE TU Dresden, DE</p> <p>🏆 District Sub Centres as Foundational Elements in the Implementation of the 15 Minute City Model: Case Study of Albertfalva Boróka SZARVÁK Széchenyi István University; Győr, HU</p> <p>🏆 Mapping 15-Minute Walkable Accessibility of Public Services in China's 11 National Urban Agglomerations: A Data-Driven Spatial Coverage Assessment Jiajie YANG China Academy of Building Research (CABR); Huhhot, China</p> <p>🏆 Condition Assessment of Cycling Infrastructure – A Step towards a Systematised Approach in Austria K. MARKVICA*, S. PORTISCH*, D. WIESER**, C. FÜRSTLER*, M. STÖGERER**, P. SALEH* * AIT Austrian Institute of Technology GmbH; Vienna, AT ** Verkehrsverbund Ost-Region (VOR)/ITS Vienna Region; Vienna, AT</p>	<p>🏆 Implicit Sufficiency in Regional Planning? Insights from a Town Center Revitalisation Programme in Styria, Austria A. STEINER, E. SCHWAB, A. DEGROS TU Graz, Inst. f. Städtebau; Graz, AT</p> <p>🏆 Geosystem Services and Subsurface Planning – Case Studies in two Swedish Municipalities F. MOSSMARK*, E. LUNDIN-FRISK**, P. LINDGREN*, L. MELGAØ***, J. NORRMAN**, M. MELO ZURITA****, V. SVAHN*****, T. SÖDERQVIST*****, O. TAROMI SANDSTRÖM*, Y. VOLCHKO**, A. GUSTAFSSON** * Geological Survey of Sweden ** Chalmers University of Technology; Göteborg, Sweden *** Lund University, Sweden **** University of New South Wales; Sydney, Australia ***** City of Gothenburg, Sweden ***** Holmboe & Skarp AB; Sorunda, Sweden</p> <p>🏆 An Educational Approach to Planning the Future Spatial Development of a Small Town: The Case of Cakovec, Croatia L.PETROVIĆ KRAJNIK, D. KRAJNIK, T.ZANINOVIĆ University of Zagreb, Croatia</p> <p>From Order to Chaos: Key Consequences of Urban Transformation in Kirkuk Ali Muhammed Salih BARZANGY University of Kurdistan Hewlêr (UKH), Erbil, Iraq</p>	<p>MONDAY</p> <p>TUESDAY</p> <p>WEDNESDAY</p>

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Time	Auditorium 1	Auditorium 2
11:30-13:00	Panel Discussion: The Future of Education Chair: Dietmar WIEGAND	Sustainable Public Infrastructure Chair: Judith RYSER
MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY	<p>The Future of Education – Is Europe Becoming the School of the World?</p> <p>We associate education with many different things: a safe and prosperous future for our children; competitiveness and foreign direct investment in the regions we care about; education as a means of preventing a relapse into “barbarism”, as the sociologist Theodor W. Adorno described it. And by barbarism he meant many aspects of the political developments we are observing today. But education is also a business, and countries like Austria and Germany, for example, are highly regarded in engineering disciplines and have growing student numbers. Europe is becoming the school of the world. Investments in student housing and education-related real estate are ranked 3rd and 9th, respectively, in Europe according to the ULI Report “Emerging Trends in Real Estate” 2025. However, education is also a political battleground. The “shift from teaching to learning” has not yet been implemented at many universities. Emancipatory education, even more than a century after the writings of the reform pedagogue Maria Montessori, is still largely absent in many schools! Education for obedience dominates, even though we urgently need disobedience for the competitiveness of businesses. And now, artificial intelligence offers opportunities and challenges on an unprecedented scale, including for regional development. It’s time to envision the future of education and to act.</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <p>Dietmar WIEGAND, TU Wien, Institute of Urban Design and Landscape Architecture; Vienna, AT</p> <p>Dagmar CAGÁŇOVÁ, Newton University, Vice Rector for Internationalisation; Prague, Czech Republic</p> <p>Dana MAWLOOD, Vision Education; Erbil, Kurdistan/Iraq</p> <p>Darinka GOLUBOVIĆ MATIĆ, Union Nikola Tesla University; Belgrade, Serbia</p> <p>Hans Rüdiger KAUFMANN, University of Applied Management Studies Mannheim, DE</p> <p>Dolores SANCHEZ BENGEOA, University of Applied Management Studies Mannheim, DE</p>	<p>Liveable Streets and Squares Made with Concrete Claudia DANKL Association of the Austrian Cement Industry; Vienna, AT</p> <p>Sustainable Redesign of Iskan Street, Erbil: A Student Approach to Urban Renewal Tanya Riyadh Ezzulddin ALARAJI University of Kurdistan Hewlêr; Erbil, Iraq</p> <p>🏆 Spatial Manifestation of Planning Culture in Graz: Understanding Planning Processes and their Influence on Public Space Design Sabine BAUER, Eva SCHWAB, Aglaée DEGROS TU Graz, Institute of Urbanism; Graz, AT</p> <p>🏆 Erbil’s Urban Transformation: Green Infrastructure and Innovation in a Medium-Sized City Facing Global Challenges Warvan Shahir BARZANI University of Kurdistan Hewlêr; Erbil, Iraq</p>
13:00-14:00	Lunch Break	



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<p>Tourismus in der Raumplanung Moderation: Gerhard NAVRATIL</p>	<p>Mobility Models Chair: Roman KLEMENTSCHITZ</p>	<p>On Quality of Life Chair: Trynos GUMBO</p>	<p>11:30- 13:00</p>
<p>🏆 Placemaking an der Schnittstelle von Stadt- und Tourismusedwicklung Cornelia DLABAJA*, Katharina HÖFTBERGER**, Jana WERL*** * FH Wien der WKW, Stiftungsprofessur für nachhaltige Stadt- und Tourismusforschung; Wien, AT ** UIV Urban Innovation Vienna GmbH; Vienna, AT *** WienTourismus; Wien, AT</p> <p>🏆 Landschaftserleben für alle – Entwicklung eines Leitfadens zur Gestaltung von barrierearmem und erlebnisorientiertem Wandertourismus für Blinde und Sehbeeinträchtigte Tanja KAISER RPTU Kaiserslautern-Landau, Fachbereich Raum- und Umweltplanung; Kaiserslautern, DE</p> <p>Blinde und sehgeschwache Touristinnen und Touristen unterwegs – ein bewusstseinsbildendes Video Tatjana FISCHER, Clemens BEYER, Georg NEUGEBAUER, Manfred SCHRENK BOKU University, Institute of Spatial Planning and Land Rearrangement; Vienna, AT</p>	<p>🏆 Stakeholder Mapping and User Perception of Mobility Management for Commuters and Students: A Comparison of 7 Case Studies in Central Europe – the GreenPATH Project R. KLEMENTSCHITZ, V. JEEPJUA, O. ROIDER BOKU University; Vienna, AT</p> <p>🏆 Analysing Urban Development Patterns: A Spatio-Temporal Analysis and Predictive Scenarios around Major Railway Stations/Terminals R. KOIRI, A. AUGUSTINE, A. BANERJEE Indian Institute of Technology; Kharagpur, India</p> <p>🏆 Plan Now, Ride Later: Simulation-Based Fleet Optimisation and Inclusive Service Design for Cities I. HINTERLEITNER, V. MENTIN, K. KOGLBERGER, D. DEUTSCH Tech Meets Legal; Wien, AT</p> <p>Solution Paths – Paving the Way to Mobility as a Service by Analysing the Attitudes, Acceptance, and Barriers to the Use of On-Demand Mobility Services in East Styria, Austria N. NEÜNDORFER*, R. BRAMREITER**, R. SUMPER***, G. KÖBERL****, A. KOVACSGYORI***** B. NOVAK*, L. KEPPLINGER*, D. NÄGELE*, C. HONEDER*, M. SATTLER* * Universität Graz, AT ** EnergieZukunft WEIZplus eGen; Gleisdorf, AT *** Regionalentwicklung Oststeiermark GmbH; Weiz, AT **** W.E.I.Z. Forschungs und Entwicklungs gGmbH; Weiz, AT ***** Energieagentur Steiermark gGmbH; Graz, AT</p>	<p>🏆 Childhood Mobility Socialisation: The Influence of Social Environment, Infrastructure and Perception of the School Route on Active Mobility Modes H. P. ELLMER*, V. WEISS*, S. SEEBAUER*, I. BERGMANN**, E. OSWALD***, K. GÜRTL*** * Joanneum Research, Life; Graz, AT ** verkehrplus ZT GmbH; Graz, AT *** StadtLABOR – Innovationen für urbane Lebensqualität; Graz, AT</p> <p>Small and Medium Size Cities: Smart, Sustainable, Resilient, Innovative with Best Quality of Life S. S. NYAKUDYA, T. GUMBO Univ. of Johannesburg, South Africa</p> <p>🏆 Urban Circularity in Time: Rethinking Quality of Life through Circular Communities D MARUSIC*, B. GOLICNIK MARUSIC** * DIPSTOR d.o.o.; Koper, Slovenia ** UIRS; Ljubljana, Slovenia</p> <p>🏆 Assessment of Soil Suitability for Urban Projects in Duhok Using Advanced Geotechnical Analysis Technics Mateen Ibrahim Ahmed BARWARI Nawroz University; Duhok, Iraq</p>	








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Time	Auditorium 1	Auditorium 2
14:00-15:00	Post-Lunch Keynotes	
MONDAY	  <p>Living Heritage in Transformation: A New European Bauhaus Approach at the Otto-Wagner-Areal Uschi DORAU, Katharina HÖFTBERGER UIV Urban Innovation Vienna GmbH; Vienna, AT</p>	Auditorium 1
	 <p>Multi-Scale Environmental Assessment in Historic Urban Fabric Darinka GOLUBOVIĆ MATIĆ Union Nikola Tesla University; Belgrade, Serbia</p>	
TUESDAY	<p>15:00-16:30 Panel Discussion: The New Countryside Chair: Franz NAHRADA</p>	<p>Urban Rehabilitation and Redesign Chair: Keiron BAILEY</p>
WEDNESDAY	<p>The New City and the New Countryside – A Win-Win Game of Bringing Urban Quality to Rural Areas and Village Qualities to our Cities</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <p>Franz NAHRADA Futurologist; Bad Radkersburg, AT</p> <p>Georg NEUMANN Tramregion Salzkammergut; Gmunden, AT</p> <p>Kornelia SENZENBERGER Tramregion Salzkammergut; Gmunden, AT</p> <p>Navdeep HANJRA Planning and Development General Department of Al Ula County; Al Ula, Saudi Arabia</p> <p>Judith RYSER Urban Thinker; London, UK</p> <p>More information on page 9!</p>	<p> What Residents Tell us about Urban Redevelopment Projects in Tokyo: A Comparison of Residents' Feedback and Government Narratives using Google Maps Reviews Marian STUMPF, Melville WOLF-HEGER RPTU University Kaiserslautern-Landau, DE</p> <p> Architectural Rehabilitation of Charasteen Cave in Duhok: A Locally-Led Accessibility and Heritage Intervention within the UNESCO–EU MADAD Framework with Support from the Kurdistan Regional Government Mahmood ALBRIFKANY Nawroz University; Duhok, Iraq</p> <p> Smart Health Measurements on Urban Air for Smart Cities and Regions Matter Hans Rüdiger KAUFMANN*, Richard STOY**, Thomas SCHAEFER**, Matthias RAEDLE** * Univ. of Applied Management Studies Mannheim, DE ** Technische Hochschule Mannheim, DE</p> <p> Flood-Resilient Urban Infrastructure in Kurdistan: A Comparative Study of Erbil and Chamchamal Abdulrahman Imad SULAIMAN University of Kurdistan Hewlêr; Erbil, Iraq</p>
	16:30-17:00	Coffee Break



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<p>Workshop ZuZugLeben Moderation: G, TSCHERTEU, E. RAINER</p>	<p>Mobility and Logistics in South Africa Chair: Trynos GUMBO</p>	<p>Energy Transition I Chair: Christian EIZINGER</p>	15:00-16:30
<p>🏆 ZuZugLeben – partizipative, soziale und klimaresiliente Vitalisierung einer Arbeitersiedlung der ÖBB – Pilotumsetzung in St. Pölten E. RAINER*, A. PALENIK*, V. CASPER**, G. HOFER***, G. TSCHERTEU****, G. PELLER****, W. SELLINGER*****, M. SCHUSTER*****, G. TRAMPITSCH***** * Büro für resiliente Raum- und Stadtentwicklung Ernst Rainer; Graz, AT ** ÖBB-Infrastruktur AG; Wien, AT *** e7 Ingenieurbüro für Energie- und Umwelttechnik; Wien, AT **** realitylab gmbh; Wien, AT ***** grünplan Landschaftsarchitekten; Leobendorf, AT ***** HERRY Consult; Wien, AT ***** Söhne & Partner Architekten; Wien, AT</p> <p>🏆 ZuZugLeben(s)Raum Passauer Straße – Tactical Urbanism als strategischer Baustein der Quartiersanierung A. PALENIK*, E. RAINER*, W. SELLINGER** * Büro für resiliente Raum- und Stadtentwicklung Ernst Rainer; Graz, AT ** grünplan gmbh; Leobendorf, AT</p> <p>Leistbares Wohnen und Arbeiten als Chance und Herausforderung für die Ortskernentwicklung R.HÖPLER*, M. PENDLMAYR** * FutureLab TU Wien, AT ** EinszuEins Architekten; Wien, AT</p> <p>anschließend Podiumsdiskussion (siehe Seite 10!) V. CASPER, G. HOFER, W. SELLINGER, S. HOFER, M. PENDLMAYR, R. HÖPLER, A. ŠIRBEGOVIĆ</p>	<p>🏆 Enhancing Safety Perception for Disabled Users of BRT System through Closed-Circuit Television Cameras in Johannesburg I. TABANE, T. GUMBO University of Johannesburg, South Africa</p> <p>🏆 Exploring The Impact of Intelligent Transportation Systems on Johannesburg Park Station and Transit-Oriented Development T. DOMINGO, T. GUMBO, T.MOYO, M. PHOSHO University of Johannesburg, South Africa</p> <p>🏆 Analysing the Transshipment Precinct near Cape Town International Airport in Comparison to the Seaport and Dry Port Environments Masilonyane MOKHELE Cape Peninsula University of Technology; Cape Town, South Africa</p> <p>🏆 The Role of Land Use Planning in Influencing the Placement of Logistics Firms near the Port of Cape Town, South Africa Kwena LETSOALO, Masilonyane MOKHELE Cape Peninsula University of Technology; Cape Town, South Africa</p>	<p>The Affordability Crisis of Carbon-Intensive Heating: Assessing the Impact of EU ETS-2 on Households in Austria Paul LENSING TU Wien; Vienna, AT</p> <p>Cost Optimisation – the Key to Energy Transition and Climate Protection Roland MÖSL PEGE – Planetary Engineering Group Earth; St. Leonhard, AT</p> <p>🏆 Constitutional Energy Mandates and Local Governance in Post-Apartheid Spatial Planning Khatliso Simon BAAS, Thulisile Ncamsile MPHAMBUKELI University of Johannesburg, Urban and Regional Planning; Johannesburg, South Africa</p> <p>Presentations marked with 🏆 are reviewed papers.</p>	

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Tuesday, 24 March 2026

Time	Auditorium 1	Auditorium 2
17:00-18:30	Models and Methods in Spatial Planning Chair: Peter ZEILE	Urban Resilience Chair: Judith RYSER
MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY	<p>The GERICS Process Model Approach to Integrate Future Climate Change Information into Adaptation Strategies Markus GROTH, Steffen BENDER, Janna-Malin GEHRKE, Peer SEIPOLD Climate Service Center Germany (GERICS) – Helmholtz-Zentrum Hereon; Geesthacht, DE</p> <p>🏆 How can the Transformative Research Methodology be Applied to Regional Governance? Jörg KNIELING, Franziska ULRICH HafenCity University Hamburg; Hamburg, DE</p> <p>🏆 Co-Creating Urban Resilience by Community Engagement in Central Asia Madina JUNUSSOVA*, Chynarkan SAPAROVA** * University of Central Asia, Graduate School of Development; Almaty, Kazakhstan ** University of Central Asia, Graduate School of Development; Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan</p> <p>🏆 Implementation of a City Information Model on a Micro-Urban Scale: Qualitative Streetscape Analysis using the SSSEIC Method Susanne TOBISCH, Daniel LÖSCHENBRAND, Angelika PSENNER TU Wien, Department of Urban Design; Wien, AT</p>	<p>🏆 “Intensify Industry by Double”: How Environmental Policy can Foster Economic Densification Jan ZAMAN, Alban POLS Idea Consult.; Brussels, Belgium</p> <p>🏆 Urban Hydrology: Climate Change Impact and Challenges in Erbil Basin Dana MAWLOOD*, Shajwan A. Khalid BIBANI** * Vision Education; Erbil, Iraq ** University of Kurdistan Hewlêr; Erbil, Iraq</p> <p>Equity in the 20-Minute Neighbourhood: Residents’ Perception in Wester Hailes, Edinburgh Asrin MAHMOUDPOUR, M.Reza SHIRAZI Oxford Brookes University, School of Built Environment; UK</p> <p>🏆 Leaving No One Behind: Planning for Inclusive Resilience in Marginalised Communities Takalani MUGADA, Trynos GUMBO, Retsepile KALAOANE, Them bani MOYO University of Johannesburg, Urban and Regional Planning; Johannesburg, South Africa</p> <p>Presentations marked with 🏆 are reviewed papers.</p>
	<p>Also note the live info monitor next to the registration desk!</p>	
from 18:30	City Tour in a Vintage Tram (registration via MY.CORP necessary, additional fare EUR 20.-)	



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Auditorium 3	Auditorium 4	Auditorium 5	Time
<p>Wissen, Daten, Forschung Moderation: Gerhard NAVRATIL</p>	<p>Digital Urbanism and Urban AI Chair: Christian EIZINGER</p>	<p>Energy Transition II Chair: Masilonyane MOKHELE</p>	<p>17:00-18:30</p>
<p>🏆 Warum passen Geographische Informationssysteme gut in den Schulunterricht? – Ein Beitrag zur Verankerung digitaler Geomedien in der Lehrerbildung K. FABISCH, S. HENNINGER Rheinland-Pfälzische Technische Universität Kaiserslautern-Landau; Kaiserslautern, DE</p> <p>Formelannäherung versus Realperformance: Was kann die (natürliche) Fensterlüftung wirklich? M. SCHUSS*, U. PONT*, R. MEIXNER**, J. BACHINGER** * TU Wien, Research Unit Building Physics & Building Ecology; Wien, AT ** Holzforschung Austria; Wien, AT</p> <p>🏆 Von Klimarisiken zu Planungsentscheidungen. Konzeptionelle Ansätze für geodatenbasierte Klimawandelanpassung, entwickelt im GreenGEO-Projekt B. KNOLL*, M. MAJCEN**, A. STÖGER**, B. STEFANOVIC**, A. MEIER*, M. KARNER***, W. SULZER****, H. ZANDLER**** * B-NK GmbH Büro für nachhaltige Kompetenz; Wien, AT ** AEE INTEC-Institut für Nachhaltige Technologien; Gleisdorf, AT *** RaumRadar ZT; Wolkersdorf, AT **** Universität Graz, Inst. f. Geographie und Raumforschung; Graz, AT</p>	<p>🏆 Accelerating instead of Waiving Planning: Opportunities and Challenges of Digital Building Land Cadastres in Urban Digital Twins S. FINA, F. RACK, A. FINGER, M. KÖNIGBAUER University of Applied Sciences Augsburg, DE</p> <p>🏆 Quality Standards for XR Participation – Applications and Challenges in Smart, Participatory Urban Development Heidi SINNING, Svenja ROGOLL, AnjaWOLTER Erfurt University of Applied Sciences, ISP – Institut für Stadtforschung, Planung und Kommunikation der FH Erfurt; Erfurt, DE</p> <p>🏆 Urban Mining Reloaded: Scanning Building Elements with Gaussian Splatting P. FERSCHIN, B. KOVACS, I. ERB TU Wien, Digital Architecture and Planning; Vienna, AT</p> <p>Neuromarketing-Based Gamification for User Experience and Cognitive Load Management in Physical Therapy D. YALCIN DOGAN*, H. R. KAUFMANN**, A. KARA*** * HDWM; Mannheim, DE ** University of Applied Management Studies; Mannheim, DE *** Bayburt University, Turkey</p>	<p>🏆 Heating with a Novel Type of Retrofitted Thermal Facade Activation and Heat Pump in a Residential Block in Vienna Constanze RZIHACEK, Magdalena WOLF, Thomas KELLER, Tobias PRÖLL BOKU University, Institute of Chemical and Energy Engineering; Vienna, AT</p> <p>🏆 Roll Out of Sustainable Solar Energy in Spatial Planning: A Focal Lens of Maseru, Lesotho Jonase NTHUNYA, Trynos GUMBO, Retsepile KALAOANE, Siphwe MBATHA University of Johannesburg, Urban and Regional Planning; Johannesburg, South Africa</p> <p>🏆 Rethinking Spatial Potential Analysis with New Data: Integrating Supply, Demand, and Implementation Criteria in Municipal Heat Planning Florian RACK, Stefan FINA TH Augsburg, Fakultät Architektur und Bauwesen; Augsburg, DE</p>	<p>MONDAY</p> <p>TUESDAY</p> <p>WEDNESDAY</p>

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Time	Auditorium 1	Auditorium 2
09:30-11:00	Heat and the City I Chair: Masilonyane MOKHELE	Transformative Innovation: Policies and Tools Chair: Johannes SUITNER
MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY	<p>🏆 Identifying Vulnerable Population under Heat Stress: A Data-Driven Urban Risk Assessment Using Remote Sensing, Citizen Science and Census Data Marlene KÜHNL*, Tobias LEICHTLE**, Saskia RUPP***, Michael HIETE***, Christoph BECK****, Christian GEISS**, Hannes TAUBENBÖCK** * SLU; München, DE ** Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt; Wessling, DE *** Universität Ulm; Ulm, DE **** Universität Augsburg; Augsburg, DE</p> <p>🏆 Urban Policies and Measures to Adapt to Excessive Heat: Madrid and London Judith RYSER*, Teresa FRANCHINI** * Urban Thinker; London, UK ** Temanova; Madrid, Spain</p> <p>🏆 Plan Scenarios with Climate Projections to Modelling Future Urban Heat Island Dynamics in Erbil, Iraq Mohammed Mirza Agha MAHMOOD, Hushiar Raheem HAMARASH Soran University; Soran, Iraq</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: #4b4b8b; color: white; padding: 10px; text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;"> <p><i>What's coming up next?</i></p> <p><i>Our live conference guide</i></p> <p><i>http://live.corp.at</i></p> <p><i>has the answer</i></p> </div>	<p>🏆 Tools for Transformative Social-Ecological Infrastructure Decisions Barbara LAA*, Lisa GALLIAN*, Rebecca HAUSCHILD**, Stefanie GÜLLY***, Michael GETZNER** * TU Wien, Research Unit Transport Planning and Traffic Engineering; Vienna, AT ** TU Wien, Department of Public Finance and Infrastructure Policy; Vienna, AT *** Competence Centre for Infrastructure Economics, Public Services and Social Provisioning; Vienna, AT</p> <p>Regional Innovation Systems and Transformative Innovation Policy: An Embedded Approach Michael FISCHER*, Markus GRUBER**, Andreas MAIER***, Konstantin MELIDIS** * ÖAR GmbH; Wien, AT ** convelop GmbH; Graz, AT *** ÖROK; Vienna, AT</p> <p>🏆 A Systematic Living Lab Approach for Community Engagement for Urban Regeneration - the S.M.I.L.E. Methodology Caroline CHENG, Judith THOMSEN, Anandasivakumar EKAMBARAM SINTEF, Architecture and Society; Trondheim, Norway</p> <p>AACHEN Kompass: A Phase 0 Planning Tool for Early Land Use Negotiation Alexander DAMBIETZ, Nicole ARCE VALDIVIA, Mehmet CELIK Stadt Aachen, Abteilung Stadtentwicklung; Aachen, DE</p> <p>Presentations marked with 🏆 are reviewed papers.</p>
11:00-11:30	Coffee Break	



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<p>Angewandte Raumplanung Moderation: Roman KLEMENTSCHITZ</p>	<p>Data Driven Planning I Chair: Gregor WILTSCHKO</p>	<p>The South African Housing Dilemma Chair: Christian EIZINGER</p>	<p>09:30-11:00</p>
<p>🏆 Qualität der Nachverdichtung in Österreich Hemma HARTL TU Graz, Institut für Städtebau; Graz, AT</p> <p>🏆 Stadtraumdiagnostik – Identifikation stressauslösender Faktoren öffentlicher Stadträume in Karlsruhe, Osnabrück und Würzburg Nina HAUG Karlsruher Institut für Technologie (KIT), Stadtquartiersplanung (STQP); Karlsruhe, DE</p> <p>Praxisbeispiel: Dubai – hochperformante Smart City mit wachsender Integrationslücke Jörg HAUPT*, Hans Rüdiger KAUFMANN** * Smart-F-Solutions; Larnaca, Cyprus ** University of Applied Management Studies Mannheim, DE</p> <p>🏆 Unsichtbare Gruppen – sichtbare Effekte: Eine Untersuchung potenzieller Auswirkungen von Untererfassungen in deutschen Melderegisterdaten und Meldepflichtsbefreiungen auf gängige visuelle Darstellungen von Bevölkerungsgrößen in SDSS Julia MAYER DFKI, SmartCity Living Lab; Kaiserslautern, DE</p>	<p>🏆 Spatial Determinants of Urbanisation in Debre Markos, Ethiopia: Modelling Building Footprint M. SHITA, H. ZEWALE, G. NAVRATIL TU Wien; Vienna, AT</p> <p>🏆 Implementation of a Forecast-Based Predictive Controller in a Residential Building B. KLING, M. WOLF, T. PRÖLL BOKU University; Vienna, AT</p> <p>🏆 Framing Spatial Decision Support Systems – A Multidisciplinary Perspective on Digital Decision Making in Spatial Planning J. PAULY*, J. MAYER**, C. SCHROTH, R. ABU QASEM***, M. MEMMEL**, K. PALLAGST*, * RPTU University Kaiserslautern-Landau; Kaiserslautern, DE ** German Research Center for Artificial Intelligence (DFKI); Kaiserslautern, DE *** Landkreis Sankt Wendel, DE</p> <p>🏆 Training of Experts for Sustainable Use of Land G. NAVRATIL*, R. MANSBERGER**, T. BAUER**, G. ESHETIE***, B. ALEMU****, Z. SISAY****, A. MENGISTU****, A. LISEC*****, S. AGEGEHU***** P. WEZYK***** W. KRAWCZYK***** M. SZOSTAK***** * TU Wien, AT ** Boku Wien, Geomatics; Wien, AT *** Woldia University, Ethiopia **** Bahir Dar University, Ethiopia ***** Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia ***** University of Ljubljana, Slovenia ***** Debre Markos University, Eth. ***** University of Agriculture in Krakow, Forestry; Krakow, Poland</p> <p>🏆 On the Importance of MODFLOW Software in Urban Planning of Cities N. YASHOOA, D. MAWLOOD Univ. of Kurdistan Hewlêr; Erbil, Iraq</p>	<p>🏆 Paid or Unpaid Social Housing? Rethinking South Africa's Social Housing Dilemma Samson FABOYE, Innocent MUSONDA University of Johannesburg, Centre for Applied Research and Innovation in the Built Environment; Johannesburg, South Africa</p> <p>🏆 Rising Costs, Stagnant Incomes in Johannesburg: Understanding Affordability Mismatch in Low-Income Households Eugiania RAVELE, Trynos GUMBO University of Johannesburg, FEBE; Johannesburg, South Africa</p> <p>🏆 A Systematic Review of Policy and Legislative Gaps in Advancing Sustainable Human Settlements in Small Rural Towns: A Case of South Africa Lungile MKHIZE, Trynos GUMBO University of Johannesburg, Urban and Regional Planning; Johannesburg, South Africa</p> <p>🏆 A Green(er) Roof over the Head: Reflecting on Strategies Targeting Homelessness with Urban Agriculture for Cape Town, South Africa Louis LATEGAN*, Charné ERASMUS** * Cape Peninsula University of Technology, Urban and Regional Planning; Cape Town, South Africa/North-West University, Unit for Environmental Sciences and Management; Potchefstroom, South Africa ** Cape Town, South Africa</p>	<p>MONDAY</p> <p>TUESDAY</p> <p>WEDNESDAY</p>

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11:30-13:00	Heat and the City II Chair: Darinka GOLUBOVIĆ MATIĆ	Transformative Climate Action: Governing Just and Green Transition Chair: Barbara DEMETEROVA
MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY	<p>🏆 Combining Social Aspects of Climate Change with Urban Heat Stress Modelling – a Case Study from Bremerhaven, Germany Markus GROTH*, Steffen BENDER*, Ricarda KLAFKA** * Climate Service Center Germany (GERICS) – Helmholtz-Zentrum Hereon; Geesthacht, DE ** Technische Hochschule Bingen; Bingen am Rhein, DE</p> <p>Green Spaces Strategy Development: Urban Green Spaces as a Strategic Tool for Climate Policies Realisation on a Local Level (Case of Ukraine) Anna HUSKOVA NeboPole.Labs: Ukrainian Laboratory of Urbanism; Kamyanske, Ukraine</p> <p>🏆 Comprehensive Climate Design: Spatial Actions for a Stable Planet Peter DROEGE University of Liechtenstein; Vaduz, Liechtenstein</p> <p>🏆 Assessing Pedestrian Accessibility to Urban Land Surface Temperature Cold Spots in Bavarian Cities John FRIESEN*, Sarah HEINZ*, Ariane DROIN*, Michael WURM**, Tobias LEICHTLE**, Mattia MARCONCINI**, Hannes TAUBENBÖCK** * University of Würzburg; Würzburg, DE ** German Aerospace Center (DLR), German Remote Sensing Data Center (DFD); Oberpfaffenhofen, DE</p>	<p>🏆 Governing the Green Energy Transition through Transformative and Collaborative Planning – the Case of Burgenland’s Regional Concepts for Energy Development Raffael KOSCHER, Alexandra JIRICKA-PÜRRER Universität für Bodenkultur, Institut für Raumplanung, Umweltplanung und Bodenordnung; Wien, AT</p> <p>🏆 Local Learning: Regional Sustainability Action through Community-Led Initiative Rehema M. WHITE*, Anne-Kathrin SCHWAB**, Paula DUFFY***, Christopher SCHULZ* * University of St Andrews; Kirkcaldy, Scotland, UK ** University of Vechta; Vechta, DE *** University of Aberdeen; Aberdeen, Scotland, UK</p> <p>🏆 Governing Green and Heritage-Led Revitalisation: Multi-Scalar Insights from the Nona Project in the Danube Region Ana Maria DRAGOMIR, Miruna DRĂGHIA, Alexandra ZLOTEA Urbasofia; Bucharest, Romania</p> <p>Geospatial and Climate Information Systems as Strategic Tools for the Development and Preservation of Urban Green Areas Good Practices from the City of Graz (Austria) and the case of Ukrainian cities Anna HUSKOVA*, Christian NUSSMÜLLER** * NeboPole.Labs: Ukrainian Laboratory of Urbanism (CSO); Kamyanske, Ukraine ** City of Graz, Executive Office for Urban Planning, Development and Construction, Integrated Urban Development, Urban Climate Action; Graz, AT</p>
13:00-14:00	Lunch Break	









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Daten & KI in der Raumplanung Moderation: Clemens BEYER	Data Driven Planning II Chair: Gregor WILTSCHKO	Public Space Planning Chair: Barbara GOLICNIK MARUSIC	11:30-13:00
<p>Digitale Souveränität jetzt! Europas Handlungsoptionen zwischen Abhängigkeit und Autonomie Franz-Reinhard HABEL Habel GmbH; Berlin, DE</p> <p>🏆 Vom Prompt zum Plan mit GenAI: Fotorealistische synthetische Luftbilder im GIS als neues Werkzeug für Stadt- und Landschaftsplanung Jeroen STAAB J. Staab Research; Ingolstadt, DE</p> <p>🏆 Von MS-COCO zur FGSV: Die Entwicklung und Validierung eines hierarchischen Klassifikations-schemas für die hochspezifische KI-gestützte Verkehrszählung in Deutschland J. STAAB*, D. STILLER**, T. LEICHTLE**, M. KÜHNL***, L. HUBER****, S. GAMPERER*****, K. MARTIN***, R. BEHRINGER*****, H. AMMERL****, M. WURM**, H. TAUBENBÖCK** * J. Staab Research; Ingolstadt, DE ** DLR; Wessling, DE *** Company f. Remote Sensing & Environmental Research (SLU); Munich, DE **** OBERMEYER Infrastruktur GmbH & Co. KG; München, DE ***** Ingenieurbüro Behringer & Partner mdb; Mühldorf a. Inn, DE</p> <p>CentropeMAP: Visualisieren von Statistikdaten leicht gemacht C. BEYER, M.SCHRENK CORP; Vienna, AT</p>	<p>🏆 3D City Models as Simulation Infrastructure: Open Tools, Proprietary Gaps and Application Scenarios in Everyday Planning Peter ZEILE*, Daniel BROSCHE** * Karlsruhe Inst. of Technology, DE ** Stadt Landsberg am Lech, DE</p> <p>A Participatory Approach to Improving Accessibility in Tourism Destinations Blaz BARBORIC Geodetic Institute of Slovenia; Ljubljana, Slovenia</p> <p>🏆 Earth Observation and Open Geodata for Sustainable Urban Planning – A Practical Case Study from the City of Munich, Germany T. LEICHTLE*, M. KÜHNL**, J. STAAB***, D. STILLER*, S. GAMPERER****, K. MARTIN**, R. BEHRINGER****, M. WURM*, H. TAUBENBÖCK* * German Aerospace Center (DLR); Weßling, DE ** Company f. Remote Sensing & Environmental Research; Munich, DE *** Jeroen Staab Research; Ingolstadt, DE **** Ingenieurbüro Behringer & Partner mdb; Mühldorf a. Inn, DE</p> <p>The Structure, Degree and Pattern of Policy Integration in China’s County Spatial Master Planning Xiangxiang PAN Peking University, School of Urban Planning and Design; Exeter, UK</p>	<p>🏆 Spatial Variability of Urban Land Price in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia Haylea Legese ZEWALE, Moges Wubet SHITA, Gerhard NAVRATIL TU Wien, Geodesy and Geoinformation; Vienna, AT</p> <p>🏆 Exs-PRM: A Cutting-Edge Knowledge-Based Expert System for Advanced Pavement Repair and Maintenance Sadeq Thha ABDULAZEEZ, Sizar Abid MOHAMMED Duhok University; Dohuk, Iraq</p> <p>🏆 Optimising Spatial Access to Viral Hepatitis, HIV, and TB Screening: A Pilot 15-Minute City Framework from Duhok Governorate Muayad Aghali MERZA Nawroz University; Duhok, Iraq</p> <p>Presentations marked with 🏆 are reviewed papers.</p>	MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY

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14:00-15:00	Post-Lunch Keynotes	
MONDAY	 <p>From Obsolescence to Transformation – Navigating Adaptive Reuse in Rural Areas David CALAS Salzburg University of Applied Sciences, Senior Lecturer Urban Planning; Salzburg, AT</p>	Auditorium 1
	 <p>Higher Education as a Catalyst for Regional Development Sherwan Sharif QURTAS President of Soran University; Soran, Iraq</p>	
TUESDAY		
15:00-16:30	Bridging Heritage with Future Chair: Judith RYSER	Affordable Housing Chair: Selim BANABAK
WEDNESDAY	<p>Building Tomorrow: Heritage meets Modernity Midya Arif TAYFOR Architect; Vienna, AT</p> <p>In Fourth Nature Concept, Form Follows Spirit Simone BACK PROCHNOW FOURTH NATURE, Researcher; Porto Alegre, Brazil</p> <p> Straßendorf, Angerdorf: Historical Village Structures as New Poles in a Polycentric Vienna Daniel LÖSCHENBRAND, Susanne TOBISCH, Friedrich. HAUER, Angelika PSENNER TU Wien, Institute of Urban Design and Landscape Architecture; Vienna, AT</p> <p> Post-Disaster Restoration of Erbil's Qaysariya Bazaar Mahmoud KHAYYAT, Israa ABDOLLAH, HanaAL-BALDAWI, ZenaHUSHAM University of Kurdistan Hewlêr; Erbil, Iraq</p> <p>Presentations marked with  are reviewed papers.</p>	<p>New Alliances and Microdevelopment Approaches for Affordable Housing in Southern Africa Guido SPARS University Wuppertal, Faculty of Architecture and Civil Engineering; Wuppertal, DE</p> <p> Affordable Housing in Emerging and Developing Economies: Exploring the Role of Urban Planning and Policy in African Countries Parsa ARBAB University of Tehran, School of Urban Planning; Tehran, Iran</p> <p>From Market Value to "Climate Value": Quantifying EU ETS-2 Risks in Real Estate Valuations within the Austrian Real Estate Market and its Mitigation through Carbon Neutral Heating and Cooling Paul LENSING TU Wien; Vienna, AT</p> <p>“Village im Dritten” – Insights into Vienna’s Largest Inner-City Urban Development Project Gregor WILTSCHKO ARE Austrian Real Estate; Wien, AT</p>
	16:30-17:00	Coffee Break










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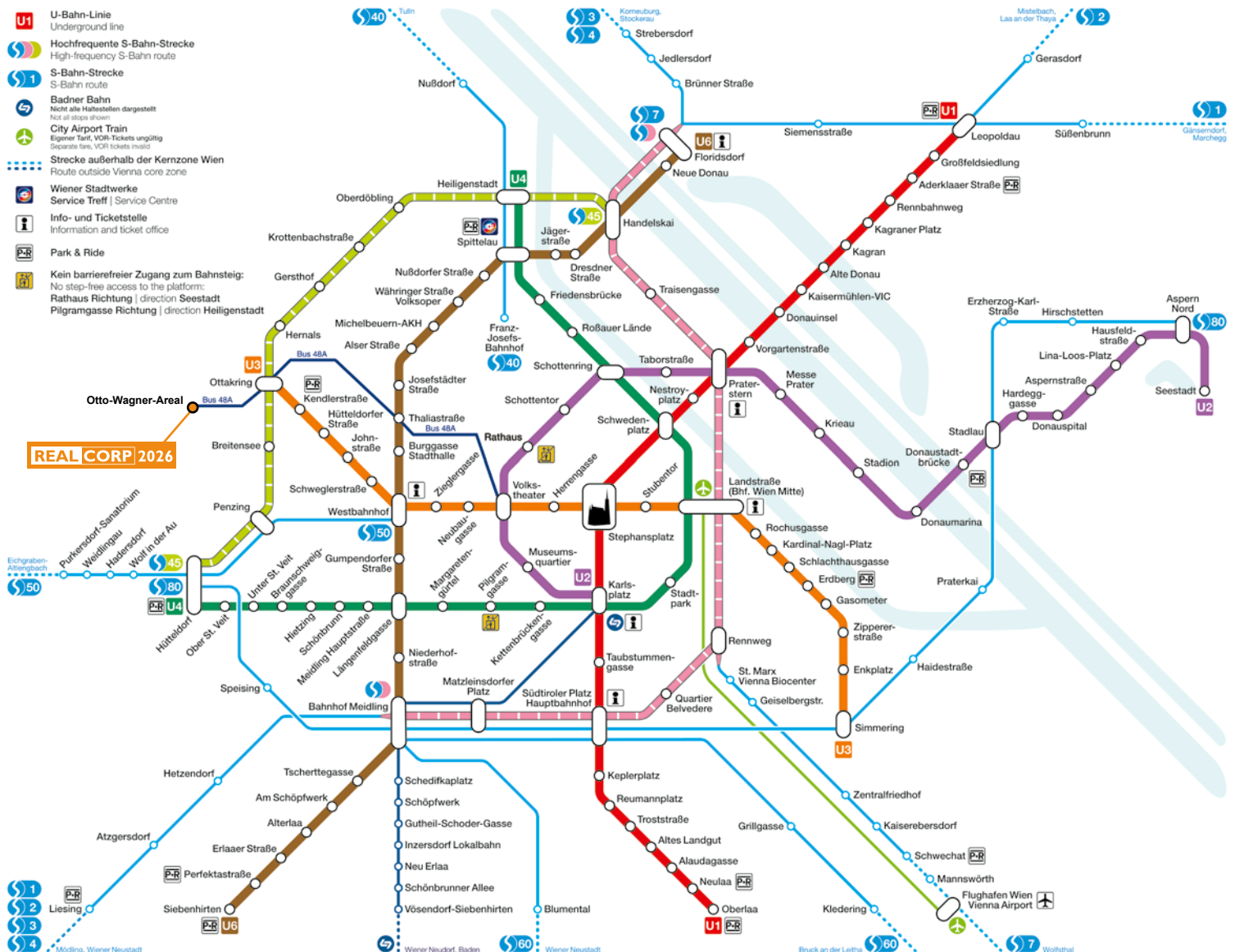


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