

Broadway - Fwd: FYI

From: Jennifer Burdick
To: Broadway
Date: 2/22/2014 4:34 PM
Subject: Fwd: FYI

>>> On 2/18/2014 at 12:14 PM, Jennifer Burdick wrote:

Thank you for trying again. Wow - Buenos Aires would be amazing, but alas, I think you are correct that such a trip would not be in our current budget tea leaves.

I will look at the web site referenced by the project leader, though - futureofplaces.com

Thanks, Margot!
 ~Jenn

>>> On 2/18/2014 at 11:37 AM, Margot W Garcia <mgarcia@vcu.edu> wrote:

Jenn, Wouldn't it be wonderful if the city could find the money to send you to this conference. What a great investment in our future! But with the budget the way it is, I don't give it much hope! But we can always dream.

Margot

>>> On 2/18/2014 at 12:06 PM, Margot W Garcia <mgarcia@vcu.edu> wrote:

CALL FOR PAPERS

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The Second **Future of Places** Conference: "Streets as Public Spaces"
 1-3 September 2014 * Buenos Aires, Argentina

THEME

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Following the 2013 Future of Places conference in Stockholm, Sweden, Axson Johnson Foundation, together with its partners UN-Habitat and Project for Public Spaces, are pleased to announce the next conference in the series. The theme of the 2014 conference, "Streets as Public Spaces," reflects the importance of modern street design in enabling - or damaging - the well-being of city dwellers. Streets serve a broader function than the efficient conveyance of vehicles or pedestrians from one location to another. They, and their adjacent spaces, form a critical connective network within the City, profoundly influencing, and potentially limiting, social and economic development.

This year's conference, and the series as a whole, is built on the recognition that cities are more than technical creations: they are above all places of human interaction, allowing exchange, creativity, access to resources, pleasure, and at times, conflict. Moreover, city design in the last half-century has made serious mistakes that have damaged human well-being (along with natural resources, ecologies and other critical systems). It is only by recognising the fundamental activities of human beings, operating within networks of urban places, that we can understand how they may interact, use resources, develop their capabilities, promote their well-being, and advance the well-being of the city as a whole.

This topic takes on special urgency in light of the growing challenges that cities face, including rapid urbanisation in many parts of the world. The conference will therefore move beyond an understanding of the characteristics of streets as public space, and seek to identify and to disseminate a core agenda of action for science, education, policy and best practice.

CONFERENCE TRACKS

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The conference is divided into four tracks:

Science: Research into the role of streets as public spaces, the outcomes of different design approaches, and the priorities for further research.

Education: Curriculum development and evaluation related to street and public space design, in engineering, urban planning, landscape architecture, architecture and other fields.

Policy: New initiatives and their outcomes; new priorities for policy changes, with a focus in national differences as well as commonalities.

Best Practice: New tools, practices, standards, strategies and models, and evaluations of their outcome; new priorities for changes to practice.

Sub-themes for each track will include (subject to revision):

- Urban networks and urban places
- Economic spillovers and social dynamics
- Ingredients of successful urban places
- Urban capacity and capability
- Diversity and equity
- Multi-modal mobility
- Street design for health
- Emerging tools and toolkits
- Priorities for research, education, policy and practice
- Streets as drivers for urban prosperity

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

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Invited speakers include:

Jan Gehl
 Enrique Peñalosa
 Victor Dover
 Setha Low
 Fred Kent
 Juan Clos

And others to be announced

VENUE

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Panamericano Hotel

Carlos Pellegrini 551
1009 Buenos Aires, Argentina

CALL FOR PAPERS
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Abstracts will be reviewed by a qualified panel of referees, and selected abstracts will be invited to submit full papers. Abstracts should be no more than 300 words, on one page, including author(s)' name and contact information at the top of the page. Email submissions to the address below by the dates specified.

KEY DATES
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Call for Papers - Abstracts Due 1 April 2014
Notification of Selected Abstracts 1 May 2014
Invited Papers Due.....1 June 2014
Notification of Selected Papers.....1 July 2014
Final Revised Papers Due.....1 August 2014

Early Registration Begins 1 March 2014
Early Registration Ends 1 July 2014
Conference 1-3 September 2014

CONFERENCE FEES AND PAYMENT
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The conference is free for invited attendees (including those with accepted papers) and includes all meals.

PUBLICATIONS
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Abstracts will be reviewed by a qualified panel of referees. Selected papers will be invited to participate in a second round of peer review toward publication in a conference proceeding volume or partner journal to be announced, in the field of urban design and development.

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE
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A Committee of distinguished international researchers, scholars and practitioners with noted work in the field will supervise the process.

CONTACT INFORMATION
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