

# PHILOSOPHY OF THE CITY 2017

**11-13 October 2017**

**Faculdade de Letras - Universidade do Porto**

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**Sala de Reuniões 1 | Meeting Room 1**

**Sala de Reuniões 2 | Meeting Room 2**

**Anfiteatro 2 | Lecture Hall 2**

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## Day 1 of Conference October 11<sup>th</sup>

8:45 | **Check-in**

9:15 - 09:45 | **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

**Meeting Room 1**  
**Sala de Reuniões 1**

**Fernanda Ribeiro** – Dean of Faculty of Arts and Humanities, University of Porto

**Paula Oliveira e Silva** – Director of Institute of Philosophy (UI&D)

**Shane Epting** – President of the Philosophy of the City Research Group

**Paula Pereira** – Coordinator of the Philosophy and Public Space Research Group

09:45 - 11:15 | **Session 1**

**Session 1a** - *We, the City: People, Power and Justice*

**Meeting Room 1**  
**Sala de Reuniões 1**

Moderator: David Woods

**Sharon M. Meagher** (Marymount Manhattan College)

- How Might Creative Placemaking Lead to More Just Cities?

**Hernando A. Estévez** (Universidad de La Salle)

- Being, Territory and Collective Identity: Cultural and Political Re-dimensions in the City

**Judith Green** (Fordham University)

- Urban Ontology: Who Is the Subject of the City?

**Session 1b** - *Public Space and the Common Good*

**Meeting Room 2**  
**Sala de Reuniões 2**

Moderator: José Luís Gonçalves

**Maria J. Figueiroa-Rego** (Instituto de Filosofia/UP)

- Heritage, Experience, and Conduct

**Udo Pesch** (Delft University of Technology)

- From Liberalism to Experimentation: Reconstructing the Dimensions of Public Space

**Sofia Miguens** (Universidade do Porto/Instituto de Filosofia)

- Is there really a Single Way for all Humans to be Human? Questions Regarding the 'Common Good'

**Session 1c** - *The City and Pre-Modern Western Philosophy*

**Lecture Hall 2**  
**Anfiteatro 2**

Moderator: Benjamin Boudou

**Ada Bronowski** (University of Oxford)

- Beauty and the Bridge

**Luís Soto** (Universidad de Santiago Compostela)

- Another View on the Classic City: Two Forgotten Politics

**Ángel Rivero** (Universidad Autónoma de Madrid)

- The City as the Space of the most Perfect Human Conversation: Alonso de Castrillo's Philosophy of the City and his *Treaty of the Republic* (1521)



11:15 - 11:30 | **Coffee Break**

11:30 - 13:00 | **Session 2**

**Session 2a - The Community in Focus**

**Lecture Hall 2  
Anfiteatro 2**

Moderator: Judith Green

**José Luís Gonçalves** (Instituto de Filosofia/UP)

- The Struggle for Recognition Inside the City

**Lior Glick** (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

- The Responsibilities of the Monopolistic City and its Right for Class Based Exclusion

**David Woods** (New York University, City of Stamford, CT, USA)

- George Herbert Mead, Public Philosopher of the City: Fostering the Transformative Potential for Building Democratic Cities

**Session 2b - Philosophy, Political Space, and the Common**

**Meeting Room 1  
Sala de Reuniões 1**

Panel: **Paula Pereira, Maria João Couto, Joaquim Escola** (Universidade do Porto/Instituto de Filosofia)

**Session 2c - Considerations in Urban Aesthetics**

**Meeting Room 2  
Sala de Reuniões 2**

Moderator: Raine Vasquez

**Arto Haapala** (University of Helsinki)

- Re-fining Urban Aesthetics

**Vesa Vihanninjoki** (University of Helsinki)

- Urban Places as Aesthetic Phenomena, Re-fining Urban Aesthetics

**Sanna Lehtinen** (University of Helsinki)

- Creating Aesthetic Sustainability in Urban Environments

13.00 - 14:30 | **Lunch**

| **14:30 - 15:30** |

**Lecture Hall 2  
Anfiteatro 2**

**Philosophy of the City Research Group – Keynote / Presidential Address**

**Shane Epting**

(University of Nevada, Las Vegas)

**Moral Prioritization in Urban Affairs**



15:30 - 17:00 | **Session 3**

**Session 3a - Urban Memory, Social Representations and the Politics of Space**

**Meeting Room 1  
Sala de Reuniões 1**

Moderator: Domingo Vicente García Marzá

**Anita Gramigna/Giorgio Poletti** (Università di Ferrara)

- Agora: Between Myth and Symbol

**Francisco Colom González** (Instituto de Filosofía, CSIC)

- Public Squares as Agonistic Spaces of Democracy

**Carlos de la Torre** (University of Kentucky)

- The Populist Uses of Space

**Session 3b - Urban Mobility in Focus**

**Meeting Room 2  
Sala de Reuniões 2**

Moderator: Michael Nagenborg

**Taylor Stone** (Delft University of Technology)

- Driving in the dark: Reducing night time lighting through the design of automated driving systems

**Milos Mladenovic** (Aalto University)

- Beyond the Self-Driving Trolley: Moral Dilemmas of Self-Driving Vehicle Technology

**Monika Pękalska** (University of Warsaw)

- Changes in the functioning of rail transport and the rationalization of the urban spatial structure

**Session 3c - City and the Anthropocene**

**Lecture Hall 2  
Anfiteatro 2**

Moderator: Dirk Schmidt

**Lauri Lahikainen** (University of Tampere)

- Climate Change, Universalism and Militant Particularism: Climate Activism as a Search for the Moral Grammars of Social Struggles

**Roberto Goycoolea Prado** (Universidad de Alcalá)

- Tourism and Memory Spaces. From Exaltation to Trivialization of Urban Memory

**Jorge Leandro Rosa** (Instituto de Filosofia/UP)

- Anthropocene Cities

17:00 | **Porto Wine Reception / Porto de Honra**

**Jazz Moment: Douie Duet**

**Meeting Room 1  
Sala de Reuniões 1**



## Day 2 of Conference October 12<sup>th</sup>

09:00 - 10:30 | **Session 4**

**Session 4a** - *Streets and Neighbourhoods: The other Side of the City. Dynamics of Appropriation of Peripheral Residential Spaces*

**Meeting Room 2**  
**Sala de Reuniões 2**

Panel: **Marta Rodrigues, Paula Guerra, Rui Saraiva, Sofia Sousa** (Universidade do Porto)

**Session 4b** - *The City and Pre-Modern Western Philosophy*

**Lecture Hall 2**  
**Anfiteatro 2**

Moderator: Etienne Helmer

**Ferenc Hörcher** (Institute of Philosophy, Hungarian Academy of Sciences)

- Philosophers as City Magistrates in Early Modern Europe

**António Mabota** (Universidade Pedagógica, Moçambique)

- Migrations, Cosmopolitanism and Ethical Dilemmas

**Yuiza T. Martínez Rivera** (Universidad de Salamanca)

- “To create citizens of poor spirit:” Aristotle's Tyrannical Regime in Modern Cities

**Session 4c** - *Urban Technologies and Housing*

**Meeting Room 1**  
**Sala de Reuniões 1**

Moderator: Taylor Stone

**Bart van Leeuwen** (Radboud University Nijmegen) and **Michael S. Merry** (University of Amsterdam)

- Should the Homeless be Forcibly Helped?

**Marcel Müller** (Technische Universität Darmstadt)

- The Urban Disposition

**Michael Nagenborg** (University of Twente)

- Philosophy of Technology and the City: The Brave Attempt of a Brief Historical Informed Overview

10:30 - 11:00 | **Coffee Break**

11:00 - 12:30 | **Session 5**

**Session 5a** - *Migration and Cities*

**Meeting Room 1**  
**Sala de Reuniões 1**

Moderator: Ronald R. Sundtrom

**Avner De-Shalit** (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

- Three Models of Urban Integration

**Jules Simon** (University of Texas at El Paso)

- An Ethical Challenge of *Exile and the City* for a Philosophy of the City

**Benjamin Boudou** (Max Planck Institute - Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity)

- From the City of Refuge to #citieswelcomerefugees: Local Hospitality in the Global City



**Session 5b - Cities in a Global Context**

**Lecture Hall 2  
Anfiteatro 2**

Moderator: João Rebalde

**Hurzhy Kseniia** (Donetsk National University)

- European City as a Modus of Social Reality and the Category of Culture (Case of Ukraine)

**Marcia Morgan** (Muhlenberg College)

- Beyond the Good and Evil of Humanitarianism: A Comparative Study of Refugee Crisis in Budapest and Berlin

**Mike Douglass** (National University of Singapore)

- The Rise of Progressive Cities for Human Flourishing: Globopolis Versus Cosmopolis as Alternative Urban Futures in Asia

**Session 5c - The City is Me! Essays on a Cartography of Affections and Resistance in/of the City**

**Meeting Room 2  
Sala de Reuniões 2**

Panel: **Ana Oliveira** (Universidade de Lisboa), **Célia Ferreira**, **Paula Guerra**, **Patrícia Ferreira** (Universidade do Porto)

12:45 - 14:15 | **Lunch**

| 14:15 - 15:15 |

**Lecture Hall 2  
Anfiteatro 2**

**Keynote Address: Ronald R. Sundstrom**

(University of San Francisco)

***The Concept and Harms of Gentrification***

15:15 - 16:45 | **Session 6**

**Session 6a - Urban Housing**

**Lecture Hall 2  
Anfiteatro 2**

Moderator: Paula Guerra

**Merav Kaddar** (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

- Gentrification and the Dirty Hands Problem

**Pieter Vermaas** (Delft University of Technology), **Sara Eloy** (ISCTE, Instituto Universitário de Lisboa)

- Design for Values in the City: Exploring Shape Grammar Systems

**Raine Vasquez** (University of Helsinki)

- Tactics, Deterritorializations, and the Remainder: Urban Aesthetics and the Everyday



**Session 6b - Food is Power: Communities and Agriculture in Context**

**Meeting Room 2  
Sala de Reuniões 2**

Moderator: Ana Carina Vilares

**João Rebalde** (Instituto de Filosofia/UP)

- Urban Agriculture as a Paradigm Shift

**Irina Duarte** (Instituto de Filosofia/UP)

- Responsible Forms of Consumption: Local Practices of Sustainable Agriculture

**Dirk Schmidt** (Instituto de Filosofia/UP)

- Urban Community Gardening and Resilience

**Session 6c - Topics of Public Space**

**Meeting Room 1  
Sala de Reuniões 1**

Moderator: Terezinha Oliveira

**Luís Manuel A. V. Bernardo** (Universidade Nova de Lisboa)

- Secularity and Public Space

**Maria Santos** and **Maria Correia** (Universidade de Évora)

- Educating City Identity: Living together and the Common Good

**Giuseppa Spenillo** (Universidade Federal Rural de Pernambuco)

- Perception and Acceptance of Social Struggles in Brazilian Public Opinion on Public Digital Spaces

16:45 – 17:00 | **Coffee Break**

17:00 - 18:30 | **Session 7**

**Session 7a - Rights and Communities**

**Meeting Room 1  
Sala de Reuniões 1**

Moderator: Jules Simon

**Chen Zhong** (Shanghai University of Finance and Economics)

- City Rights: Global Horizon and Chinese Issue: From the Perspective of the City's Philosophy and Critical History

**John Kaiser Ortiz** (Millersville University)

- Notes on Edward Abbey's Philosophy of the City

**David Garrard** (Oxford Brookes University)

- A Potential Earthly Immortality': Conservation and Civic Permanence

**Session 7b - Mental Life and The City**

**Meeting Room 2  
Sala de Reuniões 2**

Moderator: Sofia Miguens

**Abel B. Franco** (California State University, Northridge)

- Our Emotional Attachment to Cities: Looks, Character or Shared Experience?

**Witold Wachowski** (University of Warsaw)

- City and Thieves. The Socio-Cognitive Engineering of the Pickpocket Craft



## Day 3 of Conference October 13<sup>th</sup>

09:30 - 11:00 | **Session 8**

**Session 8a - Ethics and Politics: The Construction of New Public Spaces in the City**

**Meeting Room 1  
Sala de Reuniões 1**

Panel: **Domingo García-Marzá, Elsa González-Esteban, Ramón A. Feenstra** (Universitat Jaume I, España)

**Session 8b - Issues in Planning and Engineering**

**Meeting Room 2  
Sala de Reuniões 2**

Moderator: Shane Epting

**Daniel Durrant** (University College London)

- Planning and the Ethics of Traditional and Non-traditional Infrastructure

**Abdulmohsen Alshebli** (University of Birmingham)

- The Influence of the Spatial Planning Practice on Urban Growth in Riyadh

**Sarah Hitt and Toni Lefton** (Colorado School of Mines)

- City Identity as an Ethical Measure for Successful Engineering Design

**Session 8c - Urban Transformations**

**Lecture Hall 2  
Anfiteatro 2**

Moderator: Giuseppa Spenillo

**Leticia Leda Sabino** (Cidade Humana)

- Empathic Streets - An Urban Design Strategy to Improve the Social Experience of Everyday Life

**Evelin Santander Daza** (Independent Researcher)

- The Street as a Space of Exploration and Recognition of Mexico City through its Urban Practices

**José Alberto Pinheiro** (Instituto de Filosofia/UP)

- Avatars: Sacred Games and the Thanatology of the Real

11:00 - 11.15 | **Coffee Break**

11:15-12:45 | **Session 9**

**Session 9a - Aesthetics and Transdisciplinary Research**

**Meeting Room 2  
Sala de Reuniões 2**

Moderator: Joaquim Escola

**Etienne Helmer** (Universidad de Puerto Rico)

- “Know Thyself”, “Imagine Thyself”: Photography and the City Identity

**Diana Gianola** (Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore)

- Max Weber: The City as «revolutionary usurpation» and «non-legitimate power»

**Fernando Evangelista Bastos** (Instituto de Filosofia/UP)

- Feudal Atavisms of Western Representative Democracies





**Session 9b - Confronting Urban Thought**

**Lecture Hall 2  
Anfiteatro 2**

Moderator: John Kaiser Ortiz

**Claire Revol** (Université Grenoble-Alpes)

- Henri Lefebvre's Rhythmanalysis as a form of Urban Poetics

**Elissa Rosenberg** (University of Virginia)

- Public and Private: A Feminist Re-reading of the City

**Henrique Jales Ribeiro** (Universidade de Coimbra)

- The Idea of the City in the Postmodern Cosmopolitanism

**Session 9c - Topics in Public Space**

**Meeting Room 1  
Sala de Reuniões 1**

Moderator: Maria José Rego

**Ana Carina Vilares** (Instituto de Filosofia/UP)

- Refugees and Public Space: About the Experience of Recognition

**Maria Assumpta Coimbra** (Instituto de Filosofia/UP)

- Meanings and Appropriations of Public Space in the Digital Age

**Benjamin D. Ross** (University of North Texas)

- The Feed: Algorithmic Mediation of Self and City

12:45 - 14:15 | **Lunch**

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**Meeting Room 1  
Sala de Reuniões 1**

**Keynote 2: Magali Bessone**

(Université Paris 1)

***What is wrong with integration?***

15:15 - 16:45 | **Session 10**

**Session 10a - Cities and Scale**

**Lecture Hall 2  
Anfiteatro 2**

Moderator: Luís Manuel Bernardo

**Vladan Klement** (University in Brno)

- City First – A New Political Theory Making the Polis the Centerpiece Again

**Elisa Bertò** (Università di Pisa)

- Cities Build a New Map of the World: Identity of Megacities and Migrations

**Marta Wojciechowska** (London School of Economics and Political Science)

- Emancipatory Democracy



**Session 10b - Urban Thought and Public Space**

**Meeting Room 1  
Sala de Reuniões 1**

Moderator: Hernando A. Estévez

**Ann Levey** (University of Calgary)

- Public Space and Value

**Terezinha Oliveira** (Universidade de Maringá, Brasil)

- Cities and universities in the thirteenth century: spaces of freedom and civility

**Jorge León** (Universidad San Jorge) and **Julia Urabayen** (Universidad de Navarra)

- The Post-Metropolis is God: Notes for a Phenomenology of the Urban Spirit

16:45 - 17:00 | **Coffee Break**

17:00 - 18:30 | **Session 11**

**Session 11a – Art and Urban Agriculture**

**Meeting Room 2  
Sala de Reuniões 2**

Panel: **Dominique Lämmlli, Annemarie Bucher & Benny Chane Yin-Kai** (Zurich University of the Arts and FOA-FLUX)

**Session 11b - Culture, Heritage and Urban Renewal**

**Meeting Room 1  
Sala de Reuniões 1**

Moderator: Benjamin Ross

**Graça Silva** (Instituto de Filosofia/UP)

- Public Space and Common Good

**Pedro Martins de Menezes** (Universidade do Porto)

- Brasilia as World Heritage Landmark: Tensions between Tradition and Modernity

**Pedro Limon Lopez** (Universidad Complutense de Madrid)

- Heritage and Urban Renewal

| **18:30** |

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**Closing of the Conference**

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