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RESEARCH COLLOQUIUM
ARCHITECTURE OF TERRITORIES

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By operating with an architectural approach to larger spatial contexts, the idea of territories as multirelational phenomena, connected to the ground, emerges for research innovations; it makes use of the assembling nature of a creative discipline and aims to interpreting and structuring spatial fields characterized by shifting borders: between archipelagoes as new figures of community in various scales, and caleidoscopes in the ever changing and overlaying mix of urban, rural and natural fragmentation. Focussing on the construction of territories over time, on interactions between space and society, on the processes of spatial production: Architecture of Territories innovates the methods of analysis and the tools of conceptualization in a non-linear perspective. With the understanding of design as production of knowledge and of research as catalyst for design practice, the role of buildings and settlements in the assemblages of territories can be repositioned – considering anew the ideas of the human scale, of the house as city, of the scales of association, and of the in-between. Changes in the perception of city and country as well as changed modes to shape their futures are mutually bound to new ways of communication of spatial transformations, and of the question how to design, to plan or to govern them. The digital/analogue and the virtualization/materIALIZATION leitmotive are playing multiple roles in this repositioning of the discipline: Territories are increasingly regarded as theater for multiple interpretations and uses of space. More than that: space and place are concieved as active agents that drive the articulation of territories by connecting to transformative processes - in fostering potentials and dealing with constraints. Actual approaches not only link to the growing importance of material aspects of space in general, but specifically look at global urbanization and peripherization constructed even more in informal and vernacular modes. The colloquium aims specifically to examining the role of design in research and practice; the contributions discuss spaces in different scales and in a global range, from metropolitan cores to peripheries, from Europe to Brazil; this internationalization is supported by DAAD, IP@Leibniz, and Graduiertenakademie. The colloquium contributes to the strategic research focus „Future of Urbanization and Rurality“ of the Faculty.

**KEYNOTE GUEST REVIEWER**
Wolfgang Andexlinger

Since the beginning of the 20th century, an ongoing process of suburbanization has widely disarranged traditional settlements structures in Europe. Urban developments on the periphery have accelerated in response to growing welfare, global economic forces improved transportation links and increasing personal mobility. Thus structures have developed whose center, periphery or edges are no longer clearly recognizible. As Neil Brenner points out, the processes of urbanization cannot just be understood as a result of population growth or simply as a replication of city-like settlements across the earth’s face. Neither can it be explained by traditional notions of a hinterland that is being enclosed, operationalized, designed and planned to support the continued agglomeration of capital, labor and infrastructure. He argues in the manner of Lefebvres formulations, that the structure of the city of today is a capitalist process of urbanization. A better understanding of the factors that affect urbanization is a prerequisite to be able to create more sustainable urban and suburban areas in future.
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13:30  Introduction
       Jörg Schröder

13:45  Keynote Guest Reviewer
       Wolfgang Andexlinger
       Ass.Prof. at the Faculty of Architecture in Innsbruck. He studied architecture at the Technical University of Vienna and at the Technical University of Delft. In research and teaching, he focuses on processes of urbanization and their spatial implications in the Alpine region. In this context he also studies the development of urban and spatial planning strategies, governance issues, and regional development processes.

14:15  Participation and urban design in large-scale projects
       Sheila Mizushima
       From the analyses of the interruption of the Nova Luz Project in São Paulo, the research investigates what different roles participation and urban design can play together to explore different possibilities for a continuous transformation.

15:00  Building in the cultural landscape
       Ines Lüder
       Potentials and challenges of the further development of historical agricultural buildings in marshlands of Northern Germany in the context of complex and characteristic territories.

15:45  Hubs of mobility
       Yara Baiardi
       Intermodal stations are faced with a new urban dynamics in the context of changes in the relationships between the living, working, and getting around in a city of massive sprawl. Mobility hubs can contribute to building better connections, public spaces and identities.

16:00  Metamorphoses as urban architecture in São Paulo
       Sarah Hartmann
       The PhD portrays metamorphoses of four different (scale, meaning, phenomena) open spaces in São Paulo, that were characterized by infrastructure and emerged as unique architectures, which are deeply rooted in the daily and collective life of the city.

17:15  Planning the rural-urban interface
       Thiago Barbizan
       Understanding the socio-spatial and functional transformations occurring recently in São Paulo’s Metropolitan Region peri-urban interface could lead to possible innovative synergies between urban and rural territories and the recognition or construction of its own landscape.
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