

10th Anniversary Congress: The Future of Urbanism

Our tenth anniversary Congress is distinctive in two particular aspects: (1) it is the very first to be held in London, one of the early hubs of the Academy; and (2), our theme is primarily time-related rather than purely place-based, looking to the future.

Having spent 10 years' exploring and celebrating what great places have achieved, we now cast our gaze forwards to anticipate future urbanism, and the accumulated lessons that may be relevant to improving urban *space, place and life* over the next 10 years.

We explore the future through the prism of remaking London in the 21st century. The former 'Capital of Empire' has been a World City for centuries and demonstrates strengths and weaknesses in addressing its historic legacy, while upgrading its economic infrastructure and investing in its future prospects for health, wealth and wellbeing.

Our Congress is deliberately located in East London, where the potential for grasping future opportunities is perhaps greatest. Here enhanced values may yet be captured for the greater public benefit, and places created with an emphasis on equity and sustainability. Land is still available for a wide variety of uses, and there is room to accommodate the infrastructure necessary to sustain long-term development interests and a support a high quality of life for all.

Our Congress will combine insightful talks, a variety of tours and workshops, and keynote presentations providing local and international perspectives on the shaping of future places.

Just as important will be the informal conversations that we will share in the gaps in between. Urbanists are both inquisitive and collegiate. We love to share learning about place. So please join us. Be inspired and entertained, reinvigorated and enthused by the ideas and the people at the Academy's Tenth Anniversary Congress. We look forward to seeing you there.

DAY ONE: 9 JUNE 2016

At The Crystal, 1 Siemens Brothers Way, Royal Victoria Dock, London E16 1GB

12:00 Registration & refreshments

13:00 **Welcome to London and Congress**

Steven Bee AoU, Chair, The Academy of Urbanism

Understanding London now and its future

Richard Brown, Research Director, Centre for London (CONFIRMED)

Transport for London

Ben Plowden, Director, Strategy and Planning, Surface Transport OR
Robin Buckle Head of Urban Design, TfL (TBC)

A new town for London - Old Oak and Park Royal Development

OPDC representative (TBC)

Creating a new garden city - Ebbsfleet

Louise Wyman, Director of Strategy, Ebbsfleet DC (CONFIRMED)

Connecting East London

Peter Barbalov, Partner, Farrells (CONFIRMED)

15:00 **Study tours**

Delegates will have the opportunity to choose between 2 tours, taking in special places of interest including Urbanism Award winners/finalists/shortlisted. Both tours will involve a combination of walking and bus travel.

Tour 1: Docklands, Canary Wharf and Greenwich

Tour 2: Olympic Park / Hackney / Tower Hamlets

19:00 **Boat Trip: 'Upstream Downstream – Waterfront Urbanism'**

Travelling by boat means delegates can enjoy a truly different view of London, learning about old and new forms of development. With commentary from leading urbanists this is a not to be missed tour along the River Thames and the perfect way to network

22:00 Close

DAY TWO: 10 JUNE 2016

At The Crystal, 1 Siemens Brothers Way, Royal Victoria Dock, London E16 1GB

- 08:30** Registration & refreshments
- 09:30** **Chair's Welcome**
Steven Bee AoU, Chairman, The Academy of Urbanism
- Session One: The future of urbanism – setting the context
- 09:40** **UN Habitat III: Towards a people centred, city-focused and integrated new urban agenda**
Professor Brian Evans AoU, Regional report writer to UN Habitat & UNECE (CONFIRMED)
- 10:00** **The future of cities**
Professor Sir Alan Wilson, Chair, Lead Expert Group, Government Office for Science, Foresight Future of Cities Project (CONFIRMED)
- 10:20** **How to develop city economies fit for the future**
Alexandra Jones, Chief Executive, Centre for Cities (TBC)
- 10:40** **Climate change and health**
Dr Hugh Montgomery, Professor of Intensive Care Medicine, UCL (TBC)
- 11:00** **Q & A**
- Session Two: Detailed themes
- 11:45** **Chair's introduction**
Chair tbc
- 11:50** **New Business Models for Tomorrow's Urbanism**
Yolande Barnes AoU, Head of World Research, Savills (CONFIRMED)
- 12:10** Speaker tbc
- 12:30** **Working with the Planet – Integrating the Blue & Green**
Herbert Dreiseitl, Artist, Landscape Architect, Urban Designer
Director, Liveable Cities Lab, Ramboll/Environ (CONFIRMED)
- 12:50** **Q & A**
- 13:00** Lunch

Session Three: Learning from London

14:00

Workshops

Six parallel workshops exploring six different work streams related to The Future of Urbanism

Introduction by Chair

1) Solving the housing crises: New Thinking – New Solutions

2) Transport and Movement – Active Transport

3) Digital Urbanism

4) Urban Ecology and Green Infrastructure

5) Urban democracy

6) Towards an Urban Manifesto 2026

15:30

Feedback from Workshops

Session Four:

16:00

International Keynote Address

Jennifer Keesmaat, Chief Planner, City of Toronto (CONFIRMED)

DAY TWO: 10 JUNE 2016

The Academy's 10th Anniversary Party

At Trinity Buoy Wharf, 64 Orchard Place, London E14 0JY

19:00

Arrival and Drinks Reception

Welcome from **Eric Reynolds**

Founding Director, Urban Space Management and Trinity Buoy Wharf

20:00

Congress + 10th Anniversary Party

Including food, drink and entertainment featuring poet Ian McMillan

24:00

Close

DAY THREE: 11 JUNE 2016

The Future of Urbanism Debate with Monocle

Cowcross Street, London

09:30 Registration

10:30 Introduction by Chair
Andrew Tuck, Editor, The Urbanist and Monocle Magazine

The Future of Urbanism

A discussion with four of our Honorary Academicians and our special guest

Professor Wulf Daseking AoU, Freiburg

George Ferguson CBE AoU, Bristol

Jennifer Keesmaat, Toronto

Christer Larsson AoU, Malmö

Manuel Salgado AoU, Lisbon

14:00 Close