

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

International Conference on Planning and Design Education in the Context of China's New-Type Urbanisation

Main Conference Venue:

Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University (XJTLU)
Suzhou, Jiangsu Province, China

Conference Dates:

June 9-12, 2017

Hosted by:

Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University (XJTLU)
Soochow University (SU)
Suzhou University of Science and Technology (SUST)

Conference Theme

In March, 2014, the Chinese government unveiled its 《National New-Type Urbanisation Plan (2014-2020)》, which officially launched the New-Type Urbanisation movement in China. According to this published plan, China is aiming to reach the goals of 60% resident urban population ratio and 45% registered urban population ratio by the year 2020. Then in February, 2016, the central government provided further guidelines on facilitating the New-type Urbanisation in order to guide the relevant work in the 13th Five-Year Plan (2016-2020). Urbanisation in China in the last three decades was characterized by a large population of rural-urban migration, a rapid rise of urban population ratio, an excessive expansion of urban area, a fast transformation in both urban and rural areas, such as natural and built environment, society, lifestyle social welfare, governance, etc. The ongoing New-Type Urbanisation has emphasized several important principles such as: human-centred, citizenisation of rural population, harmonization of rural and urban sectors, optimisation of resource uses, ecological protection and environmental preservation.

China's New-Type Urbanisation plan urgently demands a new approach to planning and design education. In view of this situation, this conference proposes the following conference theme: *Planning and Design Education in the Context of China's New-Type Urbanisation.*

The conference theme includes the following four subthemes:

1. Review of Planning and Design Education in China and Western Countries;
2. Characteristics of China's New-Type Urbanisation and Its Impacts on Planning and Design Education;
3. Curriculum Restructuring and Internationalisation of Planning and Design Education; and
4. New Technological Applications and Innovative Teaching Methods.

Conference Tracks

Track 1: Planning and Design Education in China;
Track 2: Planning and Design Education in Western Countries;
Track 3: Characteristics of China's New-Type Urbanisation;
Track 4: Impacts of China's New-Type Urbanisation on Planning and Design Education;
Track 5: Curriculum Restructuring in Response to China's New-Type Urbanisation;
Track 6: Internationalisation of Planning and Design Education;
Track 7: New Technological Applications in Planning and Design Education; and
Track 8: Innovative Teaching Methods and Case Studies.

Abstract Submission

Please follow the abstract submission template in the appendix to prepare and submit your paper abstract of 300-400 words to PlanEdu2017@126.com, in **English or Chinese**, by **26 April, 2017**. The abstract should outline the research questions, methodology, expected outcomes, and data sources (if applicable), as well as its contribution to existing knowledge. All abstracts will be peer-reviewed by the Conference Technical Committee.

Important Dates

Deadline for abstract submission: 26 April, 2017
Notification of abstract acceptance: 10 May, 2017
Reception: 9 June, 2017
Plenary and parallel paper sessions: 10 and 11 June, 2017
Side meetings and mobile workshops: 12 June, 2017

Conference Organizing Committee

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Hosts

Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University (XJTU) is a Sino-British university based in Suzhou, Jiangsu Province, China. Founded in 2006 and resulting from a partnership between the University of Liverpool (United Kingdom) and Xi'an Jiaotong University (China), it is the first Sino-British joint venture between two research-led universities, exploring new educational models for China. The Department of Urban Planning and Design (UPD) at XJTU was founded

in 2009, and has been coordinating its curriculum development and teaching activities with the Department of Geography and Planning (formerly known as the Department of Civic Design) at the University of Liverpool, which is the oldest planning programme in existence in the world. (<http://www.xjtlu.edu.cn/en/>)

Soochow University (SU) is located in the ancient town of Suzhou, also called "Paradise on Earth." The university is part of the national "211 Project" and is a "2011 Plan" university. It is also one of the Jiangsu provincial key comprehensive universities. It has grown from the former Soochow University founded in 1900. It now has three major campuses: main campus, Dushu Lake Campus, and the Yangcheng Lake Campus. Soochow University currently has 26 post-doctoral programs, 24 main discipline doctoral programs, including 167 doctoral programs with different areas of emphasis, one professional doctoral program, 47 main discipline master's programs, including 244 master's degrees with different areas of emphasis, 21 professional master's programs, and 124 undergraduate programs. Today, Soochow University has developed into a comprehensive university with 12 major disciplines: philosophy, economics, law, education, literature, history, science, engineering, agriculture, medicine, management science, and art. It has a variety of programs and a strong foundation for students to get the education they need in almost any area. Soochow University has achieved clear results and has received a very positive reputation both at home and abroad. (<http://eng.suda.edu.cn/>)

Suzhou University of Science and Technology (SUST) is located in the Chinese historical and cultural city, Suzhou. It has three campuses: Shihu Campus, Jiangfeng Campus and Tianping Campus and was established in September 2001, through the merging of the former Suzhou Institute of Urban Construction and Environmental Protection founded in 1984 and the former Suzhou Railway Teachers College founded in 1980. Since the establishment of the university, it has cultivated more than 80,000 undergraduates and more than 2,000 full-time postgraduates including an academician of Chinese Academy of Sciences, Xiyuan Zhou, and an academician of Chinese Academy of Engineering, Keming Ye. It provided a large amount of excellent talents in the urban and rural construction, environmental protection and basic education for Yangtze River Delta. It is a joint university with the support of the central and local government of Jiangsu Province. The university is a multi-disciplinary institution of higher education with 10 major discipline categories, including engineering and technology, natural science, liberal arts, management, and art. The major of urban and rural planning in the School of Architecture and Urban Planning was established in 1985. It is the national characteristic specialty (2008), the first batch of local colleges and universities of the Ministry of education comprehensive reform pilot (2013), A Project Funded by the Priority Academic Program Development of Jiangsu Higher Education Institutions (2011, 2014) and A Project Funded by the Brand Specialty Program Development of Jiangsu Higher Education Institutions (2015). After the research and practice of teaching reform for over 30 years, the department has formed distinctive teaching features and has got abundant results in the aspects of teaching and talent cultivation, curriculum construction and guiding students' competitions. It received a positive reputation among the similar colleges and universities. (<http://www.usts.edu.cn/>)

Conference Presentations and Paper Outlets

For all those conference authors whose paper abstracts are accepted by the Conference Technical Committee, please prepare your Powerpoint presentations (English preferred but Chinese is ok) and make presentations at the conference. All Powerpoint presentations must be emailed to PlanEdu2017@126.com, on 5 June, 2017.

Even though you are not required to prepare full papers in order to attend the conference, you are encouraged to submit your full papers if they are ready for submission before or immediately after the conference. Depending on the number of full papers received and their quality, the Conference Technical Committee may optionally work with an internationally renowned SSCI journal (e.g., Journal of Planning Education and Research) to publish a special issue for those high-quality conference papers accepted following the normal peer-reviewed procedure. Alternatively, the Conference Technical Committee may find a reputable book publisher (e.g., Routledge and Springer) to publish a conference proceeding book which is EI-indexed.

Conference Languages

The working language is English, but Chinese is allowed for keynote speakers. The conference will provide the simultaneous interpretation for all speakers.

Registration Fees

Fee Category	Before 1 June, 2017	After 1 June, 2017
Regular	800 RMB	1000 RMB
Student	400 RMB	500 RMB

We will let you know about the bank account into which your payment will be sent after it is set up. The on-site registration is allowed. Cash is also accepted.

The Conference Keynote Speakers (by an alphabetical order of their last names)

Stefan Al, University of Pennsylvania



Stefan Al is an architect, urban designer, scholar, educator, and author, currently serving as Associate Professor of Urban Design at the University of Pennsylvania.

In his research, Professor Al aims to understand today's new key urban forms, how they came to be, the ways in which they shape lives and affect resources, and implications for policy and design. He is acclaimed for his work on Asian urbanism with published books investigating China's informal settlements and Hong Kong's compact urban form, including *Factory Towns of South China*, *Villages in the City*, *Mall City*, and *Macau and the Casino Complex*. He has made significant contributions to understanding the role of branding in cities, highlighted in his most recent sole-authored book on Las Vegas: *The Strip: Las Vegas and the Architecture of the American Dream*. He co-authored the book *Beyond Mobility*, making the case to connect people

with places through transit-oriented development. His latest research is focused on adapting cities to climate change and designing compact cities.

Al's career as a practicing architect includes work on renowned projects such as the 2,000-foot high Canton Tower in Guangzhou, the preservation of world heritage in Latin America at the World Heritage Centre of UNESCO, and an 11,000-acre new eco-friendly city in India. He has also served as an advisor to the Hong Kong government, consulting on the development of the city's harbour and external lighting guidelines, the Chinese government, advising on new urban design guidelines, and the United Nations High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development.

At the University of Pennsylvania, Professor Al teaches Fundamentals of Urban Design, Site Planning, and various Urban Design Studios dealing with urban design and sustainability challenges. He also co-teaches an online Coursera class, *Designing Cities*, with more than 65,000 students.

Al holds a doctorate in City and Regional Planning from UC Berkeley, an M.Arch. from The Bartlett, and a M.Sc. in Architecture with distinction from Delft University of Technology. He is an EU-licensed architect and a LEED Accredited Professional. He is a native of the Netherlands.

Gonghao Cui, Nanjing University



Gonghao Cui graduated from Nanjing University in 1956 and stayed to teach, taught as a professor of Nanjing University and doctoral supervisor, participating in *Transportation Economics* Class which was taught by Soviet experts in Beijing Railway Institute (today's Beijing Jiaotong University) from 1956 to 1958, and visiting professor at University of Akron, USA, from 1985 to 1986.

He has long been engaged in urban and regional research and planning. And he has been in charge of a lot of Planning Tasks such as Yantai and Yueyang City Master Plan, Hangzhou Conceptual Plan, Suzhou Urban System Plan, Yichang Territorial Plan, etc. He also has undertaken urban and regional related Funding of National Natural Science Foundation of China. He is the Author of works such as *The Overall Urban Planning, Chinese Urban Development Research, Urban Geography, Regional Analysis and Regional Planning, The Contemporary Regional Planning Introduction*. He is also the former urban planning consultant of Nanjing, Suzhou, Hangzhou, Shenzhen, Nanchang, and other places; current urban and rural planning committee member in experts committee of China's Housing and Urban Construction Department; executive director of China Urban Studies Society; committee member in Urban Planning Commission of Nanjing, Suzhou, Xiamen, etc. He has toured America, Europe, Asia more than 10 countries to give lectures, chaired Second International Conference on Asian Urbanisation and Sino-U.S. cooperative research projects "urbanisation from below in China".

He won the Lifetime Achievement Award conferred by the Urban Planning Society of China in 2016.

Lingyun Fan, Suzhou University of Science and Technology



Professor Lingyun Fan received her PhD in Urban Planning and Design from Tongji University. She has serviced for urban and rural planning education for almost 20 years. Now Prof. Fan is the director of the department of urban and rural planning in the School of Architecture and Urban Planning, Suzhou University of Science and Technology. She is also a national certified urban planner.

She is a member of Urban-rural Governance and Policy Research Committee of Urban Planning Society in China and a member of China Eco-city Research Committee. She visited Japan in 2008 with the funding of the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). She was also invited to make presentations in many conferences such as Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP), USA, International Conference on Spatial and Social Transformation in Urban China, Hong Kong, and so on.

Her research interests focus on rural urbanization and ecological planning. She has led 3 projects from National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC) as PI, one ministerial project and got 19 academic awards. She published 2 books and around 50 academic papers in *China City Planning Review*, *Urban Planning Form*, etc. Prof. Fan undertook more than 50 planning and design projects in which she got 2 provincial design awards. In addition, she was usually invited to review and consult for some projects including the Netherlands-China-UK Sustainable Deltas funding prioritisation panel meeting.

Prof. Fan participates actively in the construction of Project Funded by the Priority Academic Program Development of Jiangsu Higher Education Institutions and Project Funded by the Brand Specialty Program in urban and rural planning of Suzhou University of Science and Technology. She led 2 provincial and ministerial level education projects as PI and won 5 teaching awards. She has gotten more than 30 awards for supervising students' works in national competitions.

Huizhi Geng, Tongji University



Huizhi Geng currently serves as Professor and Deputy Chair of Urban Planning Department, College of Architecture and Urban Planning (CAUP), Tongji University.

He received his PhD degree in Urban Planning and Design from Tongji University in 1998; Master of Engineering in Urban Planning and Design from Tongji University in 1995; and Bachelor of Engineering in Urban Planning from Tongji University in 1992. In addition, he served as the Visiting Scholar, Bauhaus University Weimar, Germany, Dec. 2006 to Feb. 2007 and Visiting Scholar, University of Illinois at Chicago, USA, July 2008 to Nov. 2008.

His research interests include: Planning Law and Regulations; Property Rights; and Urban Governance.

Richard LeGates, San Francisco State University



Richard LeGates is a Summit Professor of Urban Planning at Tongji University and a Professor Emeritus of Urban Studies and Planning at San Francisco State University. He has been a visiting professor of urban planning at University of California, Berkeley, and universities in England, Scotland, the Czech Republic, and Indonesia as well as Renmin University of China and Tongji University.

Professor LeGates is the co-editor of an anthology of classic and contemporary writings about cities and city planning titled *The City Reader*, now in its 6th edition and a Chinese adaptation titled *The Chinese City Reader* now in its 3rd printing. He is the co-author with ZHANG Li and ZHAO Min of *Understanding Chinese Urbanisation* (2016), and with YE Yumin of *Coordinated Urban-Rural Development in China* (2013). His current research interests are coordinated urban-rural development in China and peri-urbanisation and peri-urban planning in Asia.

Chris Webster, Hong Kong University



Prof. Chris Webster is Dean of the Faculty of Architecture, the University of Hong Kong, and leads the HKUrbanLab. He has degrees in urban planning, computer science, economics and economic geography and is a leading urban theorist and spatial economic modeller. He has published over 150 scholarly papers on the idea of spontaneous urban order and received over US\$20M grants for research and teaching and learning projects. He was co-editor of *Environment and Planning B* for ten years. Books include Webster and Lai (2003) *Property Rights, Planning and Markets*, Cheltenham, Edward Elgar; Glasze, Webster and Frantz, (2006) *Private Cities*, London, Routledge; Wu, Webster, He and Liu, (2010) *Urban Poverty in China*, Cheltenham: Edward Elgar; and Wu and Webster (Editors) *Marginalisation in Urban China*. London: Palgrave MacMillan; and Sarkar, Webster and Gallacher (2014) *Healthy Cities: Public Health Through Urban Planning*. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar. Professor Webster has nine prize-winning academic papers on urban theory.

He has many research interests on the go, including leading HKU's Healthy High Density Cities research group. His current research agenda for this group is to establish systematic evidence for the relationship between urban configuration (planned and spontaneous) and individual health. To do this he has teamed up with the Oxford University based UKBiobank (N=500,000), the HKU LKS Faculty

of Medicine's Family cohort (N=40,000) and other national-scale epidemiology studies (N=500,000) to create large scale medical- built-environment platforms for healthy-city science. He also co-leads HKU's One Belt One Road Observatory (OBORObs), which has the objective of modelling and predicting connectivity improvements in the Eurasian urban network and advising city governments on smart land policy to capture more of the land value uplift of OBOR infrastructure for the urban poor.

Youmin Xi, Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University



Professor Xi was born in 1957. He gained his B.S. in Physics from Xi'an Science and Technology University in 1982, and M.E. in system engineering from Xi'an Jiaotong University in 1984. In 1987 he was awarded the first Doctor degree in management engineering in mainland China and in 1993 he became the youngest supervisor of PhD Candidates in management engineering in China. As a visiting professor, he has conducted joint research projects and discourses in Universities of Canada, America, Singapore and Japan as well as Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan.

Professor Xi's research and teaching areas cover strategic management and policy analysis, decision-making and decision support systems, management behavior and firm theory. He established harmony theory in 1987 and developed it to harmonious management theory.

Professor Xi served as Pro-Vice-Chancellor of University of Liverpool, Professor of Management of Xi'an Jiaotong University, Vice President of Xi'an Jiaotong University, Dean of Xi'an Jiaotong University Management School and Xi'an Jiaotong University City College.

As the current Executive President of Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University, Prof. Xi has been promoting research-led learning and teaching in his university and beyond for many years. He believes that currently all university educators should reshaping their teaching ways to provide better support to student learning experience.

Guoyan Zhou, Soochow University



Guoyan Zhou is the Professor and Head of Urban Planning Department of Soochow University, Director of Urban Planning Institute of Soochow University. Registered Town Planner. Member of Urban Design Experts' Committee of the Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development of P.R.China; Committee Member of Chinese Academy of the International Urban Planning; Member of the RTPI (Great Britain); Board Member of WACA (World Association of Chinese Architects) ; Special Peer Reviewer of 《City Planning Review》 ; 《City Planning Review (English Version)》 member of Editorial Board.

She has Bachelor and Master Degrees in Architecture and PhD-Land Management in Town Planning in the UK. She finished her Post-Doctorate Affiliated Research on a comprehensive model on evaluation of the effectiveness of urban planning in Bartlett School of Planning, University College of London in the end of 2009. She used to work on planning administration as a government officer in a local planning bureau in Hainan Island, as well as a deputy director of Hefei Urban Planning Institute on quality control of plan-making and architectural design. She spent nearly 15 years on lecturing town and country planning in universities. She published around 60 academic papers and 3 books. She has more than 15 national and provincial awards for academic papers and planning and researching projects, and some awards for supervising student' s works. She finished many planning and designing projects, she is experienced in plan-making, planning education as well as planning administration.

Her current research interests are trying to build up a computer based model for a comprehensive and dynamic evaluation on the effectiveness of planning control by cooperating with a big data company. She is supervising students on an investigation of the effectiveness of built Neighborhood Centers in Soochow Industrial Park for a better planning allocation of public facilities.

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Abstract Submission

Abstract Title	
Preferred Track A	
Preferred Track B	
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Abstract (300-400 words in English or 200 characters in Chinese)	*The abstract should outline the research questions, methodology, and data sources (if applicable), as well as its contribution to existing knowledge.
Keywords (no more than 5)	

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