

11_Housing, gentrification and socio-spatial dynamics

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The AESOP Conference theme embraces ideas of transition and of change. Within this ambit of progressive action the track invites discussion about the need to rethink and reappraise current models and assumptions about planning for housing: the focus of this track is on the need for availability and access, good quality, affordable housing. This is set in the context of neo-liberalised environments, austerity measures, financialisation and forms of socio-spatial segregation processes.

Established housing debates require active consideration of new approaches to providing housing equitably. We call for papers that discuss and indicate alternative means and models of supplying homes and creating liveable places.

Papers may include discussion of:

- community-led, cooperative, municipalisation, non-market driven housing development and policy;
- the role of land tenures, mixed tenure and land taxation tools in the provision of adequate and affordable housing;
- practices and policies enabling the provision and accessibility of adequate housing for vulnerable groups;
- examples where traditional theory-practice divides are crossed to indicate processes and principles that could be taken-up to forge progressive transition in housing;
- established or mature neighbourhoods where liveability and old/new development have been well integrated;
- the role of translocal networks and urban alliances in resisting financialisation of the housing sector;
- renewal processes in (neoliberal) housing environments acting to close off access to accessible housing.

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