

LESSON PLAN

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WORKSHOP: Asking To Advanced Urbanism – Béziers

Sensors and sensibilities. City–Senses and sens(c)ivilities.

Responsive contexts and responsable societies. Precise DATAS & holistic VISIONS.

Such combination "information + vision" (processing capacity and perspective, strategic and relational capacity) lacks today of suitable reference areas and ambitious programs of interdisciplinary exchange. If we understand the new logics –associated to a new urban thinking – in relation with the challenges of a new informational era –and the capacity, in this one, to multiply the interactions between conditions and information(s) – we need to understand in what terms we define "information", not only as a data-parameter or a data-indicator but as a more enlarge concept associated to other assimilated key-terms (programs, solicitations, messages, patterns, identities, matters, cultures, types, behaviours, senses, networks, natures, morphologies and metabolic contexts) able to be combined in (and from) new –and more– open, flexible and resilient (urban) systems. The next generation of urban planners will be challenged to find solutions to complex problems related to population, energy, environment, food, water, security, housing, health, and transportation. Its challenge will be to provide new scenarios no longer productive or reproductive but "co-productive", capable of generating open and resilient models, orientated and co-participated at a time, from which address:

- The new complex recognition expression of the contemporary city and its many informational levels (data-maps and intentional-maps)
- The new geo-urban articulations of the region-city and their translation in new "eco", "intra" and "infra" structural networks of exchange.
- The new demands of urban re-naturalisation and recycling, rational land-use and "inward growth".
- The new sustainable agendas (energetic (self)sufficiency, intelligent management of resources, etc.) and their translation into new types of eco-habitats.
- The new active dimension of the landscape (and public space) as operational, relational and coproductive space at a time.
- The new capacities to mix uses, functions and programs in a new kind of tri-dimensional built repertories and hybrid typologies.
- The new phenomena of co-participation and transformation "bottom-up" of spaces and collective scenarios, more or less reversible.
- The new technological –and digital– capabilities and their translation into new processes of intelligent fabrication and construction and the research of new materials, more reagents and responsive in/to medium.

The notion of ADVANCED URBANISM wants to contribute to addressing - from the exchange of researchers and explorations- such multiple approaches to the complex conditions of the city in the new century. Approaches capable of combining data processing, modelling of variables, integrated mapping records (analytical and synthetic, relational and structural), the economy of resources, new urban entrepreneurship and innovative governances, in a new type of transversal urban thought, strategic, creative and interactive. With the aim of combining "data" and "visions" in/for the city – information and prospection: sense, sensuousness and sensibility – in a new type of more efficient and relational habitats: informational and convivial, at the same time.



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