

ISOCARP - Knowledge for Better Cities

The International Society of City and Regional Planners is a global association of experienced professional planners. It was founded in 1965 in a bid to bring together recognised and highly-qualified planners in an international network. The ISOCARP network brings together individual and institutional members from more than 80 countries worldwide. As a non-governmental organisation ISOCARP is recognised by the UN, UNHCS and the Council of Europe. The Society also has a formal consultative status with UNESCO.

The objectives of ISOCARP include the improvement of planning practice through the creation of a global and active network of practitioners. ISOCARP encourages the exchange of professional knowledge between planners, promotes the planning profession in all its forms, stimulates and improves planning research, training and education and enhances public awareness and understanding of major planning issues at a global level.

The association's main event is the annual World Congress, which focuses on a globally-significant planning theme and which takes place in a different country each year.

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The City of Wuhan, located in the heart of China, is, economically and geographically, the major city in central China. It is the capital of Hubei Province. The large Han river converges in Wuhan with the mighty Yangtze River, the longest river in China. Together, they divide the city into the three townships of Wuchang, Hankou and Hanyang. The City with a present population of 9.2 million occupies an overall land area of 8494 square kilometers. Wuhan is well endowed with a beautiful natural landscape backdrop of mountains, rivers and lakes. The special features of rivers and lakes give the



city very unique urban characteristics.

Wuhan has a long history stretching back more than 3500 years. With its 115 historical and cultural sites in the main urban area all of which are under Government protection rather than under Municipal control, Wuhan is therefore well-known as one of China's historical and cultural cities.

The City has a comprehensive traffic and transport system.

Partners:

Urban Planning Society of China
The People's Government of Wuhan Municipality
UN Habitat



Liveable Cities: Urbanising World Meeting the Challenge



24-28 October 2011
Wuhan, PR China

Prior to the congress: Workshop
Young Planning Professionals

The theme of the 47th Congress reflects the central problem of the acknowledged world wide phenomena of the exponential and inexorable inward flow of people to cities and the consequent rapid expansion of urban development. The city of Wuhan, with its ever increasing population base, has acknowledged the importance of this Congress Theme especially with regard to learning how their particular range of urban, transportation congestion and spatial problems are being dealt with sustainably across the Globe.



The Congress will support **five Workshops** exploring the major theme.

Workshop 1: Implementing Low Carbon Urban Environment

Workshop 2: Building Sustainable Networks

Workshop 3: Transportation Networks

Workshop 4: Heritage and Environment: Retro and Reuse in Transition

Workshop 5: Regions & Hinterland Looking Toward Liveable Environment

Congress Team:

General Rapporteur:

Milica Bajic Brkovic, Serbia

WS 1: Rapporteur: Jos Verweij, The Netherlands

Chair: Mark Cummins, Barbados

WS2: Rapporteur: Ron Bednar, USA

Chair: Mary Kimani, Kenya

WS3: Rapporteur: Liang Wang, Hong Kong

Chair: Terence Byrnes, Australia

WS 4: Rapporteur: Jie Zhang, China

Chair: Amer Mustafa, UAE

WS 5: Rapporteur: Madina Junussova, Kazakhstan

Chair: Piotr Lorens, Poland

Keynote speakers:

Joan Clos

Executive Director of UN-HABITAT

Zef Hemel

Dep. Director Spatial Planning Department, City of Amsterdam

Pierre Laconte

ISOCARP President 2006-2009

Technical Seminars

with the participation of enterprises and international organisations, will provide a forum to discuss policies and projects towards liveability around the world.

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME		
Date	Time	Subject
20-25 Oct		Workshop Young Planning Professionals
23 Oct	9.00 – 18.00 10.00 – 18.00	ISOCARP EXCO Meeting Registration
24 Oct	10.00 – 18.00 10.00 – 17.00	Registration (late arrivals) Technical Tour Wuhan City
	Evening	LOC Welcome Reception
25 Oct	Morning	Opening Session Keynote Presentations
	Afternoon	Keynote Presentations continued Introduction General Rapporteur and Congress Team Young Planning Professionals Urban Planning Advisory Teams
	Evening	Open
26 Oct	Morning	Technical Seminars
	Morning	Companions' Tour
	Afternoon	Parallel Workshops
	Evening	Awards Dinner
27 Oct	All Day	Parallel Workshops (continued)
	Afternoon	Companions' Tour
	Evening	Open
28 Oct	Morning	ISOCARP Bureau Meeting and General Assembly
	Afternoon	Closing Session Reports by Congress Team Conclusions by General Rapporteur Discussion Announcement Congress 2012
	Evening	Congress Farewell Dinner
29 Oct		Post Congress Tours

YOUNG PLANNING PROFESSIONAL WORKSHOP

Since 1991 the objective of the YPPs' Workshops has been to bring together young professional urban planners from all parts of the world. The hands-on workshop has its own specific theme which is related to the host city. Results are achieved in a very short period of time

The workshop will be held prior to the congress and the results will be presented on the first congress day.

ISOCARP AWARDS 2011

ISOCARP has different awards to highlight the activities of the society. The ISOCARP Awards for Excellence are conferred in recognition of exceptionally innovative urban and regional initiatives that best express the theme of the annual congress of ISOCARP. The Gerd Albers Award is for best publication by ISOCARP Members. This year a new award, the "Sam van Embden Award for Members' Initiatives" will be given for outstanding initiatives of ISOCARP members.

POST-CONGRESS TOURS

The City of Wuhan has assembled a series of attractive tours:

- Zhangjiajie and Phoenix Town
- Xi'an, Famen Temple and Terracotta Warriors
- Three-Gorges Dam on the Yangtze River, Little Three Gorges and White Emperor City
- Huangshan Mountain, Furong Valley, Ancient Songcheng Street in Tunxi
- Wuyi Mountain, Gulang Island in Xiamen and Yongding Earth Towers.

Detailed description and booking: www.isocarp.org

A **Technical Tour** on the first congress day will give you insight into the city of Wuhan.



GENERAL INFORMATION

Congress Venue:

Wuhan Qintai Grand Theatre

Sub-venues:

Marco Polo Hotel and Howard Johnson Pearl Plaza Hotel

Accommodation: Special prices at the Marco Polo Hotel are guaranteed until 31 July 2011

Exhibition: In case you would like to showcase your activities, services and products to an expert audience during the congress, there will be the possibility to hire an exhibition booth. For more information please contact the ISOCARP Secretariat

Social Events: All participants are invited to the welcome and farewell banquet.

Registration: Early registration deadline: 31 July. All major credit cards and bank transfers are accepted. <http://congressregistration.isocarp.org>

