Thursday 24 Jan.

Welcome by Steven Vertovec (Director, MPI-MMG)

Panel 1: LIVING AND COMMUNING

Moderator: Chris Walker (People Systems International)
Dominique Peck (HafenCity University of Hamburg)
Living Rooms in a Model Project

Vaskiliki Maltrygianni (IT University of Copenhagen)
Converging Personal Space: Moving Populations and Housing Practices in Greece During a Crisis Era

Aslı Varol (Campus Cosmopolis eV)
Living with Germans: Practices in Greece During a Crisis Era

Panel 2: INSTITUTIONALIZED SHELTER

Moderator: Sakura Yamamura (MPI-MMG)
Shahd Wari (MPI-MMG)
Refugee Housing Centers in Göttingen: Spatial Layouts, the Public-Private Spectrum and Appropriation of Space

Gregor Brune (Architect)
Living in Shifting Architectures

Toby Parsloe (Cambridge University)
Consolidating Shelter: The Spatial Development of Long-term Institutionalised Accommodation for Refugees in Berlin

Panel 3: IN/FORMAL

Moderator: Farhan Samanani (MPI-MMG)
Lina Sánchez Steiner (Initiative FairCity)
Formal and Informal Long-term Housing Solutions for and from Refugees: The case of Leipzig (Germany) and Macao (Colombia)

Maja Momic (HafenCity University of Hamburg)
(In)mobilities in Everyday Life: Different Patterns of Refugees' Dwelling Practices in Hamburg

Friday 25 Jan.

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Panel 4: IN & OF SPACE

Moderator: Maja Momic (HCU Hamburg)
Zsofia Glatz (Community Living; Architecture for Refugees)
Bence Kombol (MOCE Budapest; Architecture for Refugees)
Identity & Space - Inclusive Cities by Newcomers & Welcoming Societies

Emily Kelling (TU Berlin), Dagmar Pelger (HCU Hamburg)
Invisible Housing: The New Stigmatisation of Permanently Housing of Homeless (Former) Refugees in Berlin

Ibrahim Al-Salamah (Stuttgart University)
Hala Safa (Stuttgart University)
Refuge and Space: An Abstract Evaluation of Space's Impact on Daily Refugee Life

Panel 5: QUESTION OF THE “CAMP”

Moderator: Somayeh Chitchian (MPI-MMG)
René Kreichauf (Vrije Universiteit Brussel; Freie Universität Berlin)
The Post-con/ flict Spaces: Architecture Beyond Architects

Nassim Mehran (Humboldt University of Berlin)
Compensation – Legal Paradigm Shifts, Asylum Laws and the Production of Spaces of Exclusion

Irit Katz (London School of Economics)
City, Camp, Shelter, Home: Recreating a Place in a Displaced World

Ayham Dalal (TU Berlin)
Planning the Ideal Refugee Camp? A Critical Interrogation of Recent Planning Innovations in Germany and Jordan

Panel 6: BY & FOR SHIFTING ARCHITECTURES

Moderator: Sabine Mohamed (MPI-MMG)
Nassim Mehran (Humboldt University of Berlin)
The Post-conflict Spaces: Architecture Beyond Architects

Aysha Husmar (Sheffield University)
The Material: Who is Healing Where? The Everyday Life of Zaatari Refugee Camp and the Architectural Encounter

Rachel Lee (Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich)
Pre-Fabrications: Otto Koenigsberger and Refugee Settlement in India

Closing Discussion Panel

Moderator: TBA

Panelists:
Steven Vertovec (MPI-MMG)
Anooradha Iyer Siddiqi (Barnard College, Columbia University)
Romola Sanyal (LSE, London)

in conversation with our participants and audience

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Decoloniality in the Camp and the University

If we take seriously the concerns and problematics of decolonizing the mind, we might begin by looking for sources of knowledge in the refugee camp. Camps have long been sites of empirical research: in their darkest form, as sites of detention and concentration, and in their putatively lightest, as liberatory vehicles for the rescued and their savours. What if camps did not serve empiricist ends of knowledge, but instead, theoretical ones? If so, then the humanitarian would become the student, the refugee the professor, and the architecture of the camp that of the university. This lecture imagines this architecture.

Respondent
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Dr. Sanyal joined LSE in 2013 from the Development Planning Unit at UCL. She has previously taught at Rice University, Texas, and Newcastle University. She is interested in architecture, urban geopolitics, urban theory, housing and citizenship rights. She has written on the politics of space in refugee settlements in the global South with a particular focus on Lebanon and India. Romola’s current research work looks at the urbanization of particular areas in Lebanon through humanitarian aid that has come in response to the Syrian refugee crisis. Dr. Sanyal obtained her PhD at the University of California, Berkeley.