

GDUS – GENDER, DIVERSITY AND URBAN SUSTAINABILITY

What is GDUS?

- ➔ GDUS is an **informal network of scholars and practitioners in urban planning**. Its aim is to bring together work carried out relating to **gender and diversity issues to urban studies and planning theory**.
- ➔ GDUS represents **different disciplines such as spatial planning, urban design, environmental psychology, landscape planning and social policy** within the field of sustainable spatial development.
- ➔ Each member brings in **experience of either research or practice in a gender aware approach**.

Objectives of the Network

- ➊ **establishing and expanding a network** of people actively involved in “Gender, Diversity and Urban Sustainability”
- ➋ **presenting studies** performed in various European countries on initiatives against gender discrimination in spatial policies regarding public space, housing, mobility and environmental sustainability.
- ➌ **evaluating existing practices** and highlighting key factors that can be reproduced in other sites.
- ➍ **exchanging this knowledge** with practitioners, policy makers and citizens groups.
- ➎ **constructing a theoretical framework** that allows integration of gender-insights into spatial planning systems and theory.
- ➏ **promoting gender and diversity issues in spatial development** at all levels of policy making: from EU level (ESDP, SDS, research and development Programs) to regional, urban and local level.

Activities of the GDUS-network

Since 2007 the GDUS Network is involved in different scientific activities such as research, conferences, publications, exhibitions, scientific exchange, teaching...

GDUS Meetings & Conferences

- ➔ 2012 – International Conference and 4th GDUS Meeting –Theorizing and Practicing Gender-Sensitive Planning, Hannover, Germany
- ➔ 2011 – 3rd GDUS Meeting at Leibniz University, Hannover, Germany
- ➔ 2009 – 2nd GDUS seminar at BOKU, Vienna
- ➔ 2008 – 1st GDUS seminar at Tours, France
- ➔ 2007 – Expert Meeting Gender, Diversity, Urbanism, TU Delft, NL
→ start of network

Research & Dissemination

- ➔ 2013 GDUS Members are engaged in the COST network genderSTE.
- ➔ 2013 – Fair Shared Cities – The Impact of Gender Planning in Europe (Book)
- ➔ 2010 – Symposium „Masculin/Féminin : questions pour la géographie“, Contributions: Workshop
- ➔ 2010 – 24th AESOP Conference - ‘Space is Luxury’, Contribution: Roundtable Fair Share Cities
- ➔ 2009 – City Futures 09 - ‘City Futures in a Globalising World’, Contributions: 2 panels on ‘Gendered cities’

Teaching & Scientific Exchange

- ➔ 2009–2013 – 7 Staff exchanges/visiting professors
- ➔ 2011–2014 – Exhibition ‘On Stage!’ on tour in 3 Cities



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