17th International Planning History Society (IPHS) Conference

History – Urbanism – Resilience

Delft, 17th-21th of July 2016

Image of a canal in the Delft city.

Over many centuries, cities around the world have demonstrated an astounding resilience as they have prepared for, responded to and recovered from natural and man-made disasters. In view of current challenges from earthquakes and tsunamis, from climate

change and sea level rise, from migration and demographic transformation to war and terrorism, the 17th International Planning History Society Conference (Delft, July 2016) presents – with a comparative and cross-disciplinary approach by historians, academic and practicing planners, geographers, environmentalists, preservationists, public policy makers – papers that engage with the theme of resilience and the diverse tangible and intangible structures that support it, and proposals on other topics relevant to the modern history of urban, regional and environmental planning generally.

Were selected in particular the contributions that investigate urban form, urban visions, comprehensive planning, adaptive design, governance structures or policy making as related to danger, destruction and rebuilding in the modern era. This includes research on physical rebuilding, as well as economic restructuring, governance, and related social, ethnic, migratory, religious, and issues and implications.

The Netherlands is an ideal location to address this topic. Delft for example, the conference venue, is two meters below sea level. Spatial planning, regional planning and urban planning have a long history; in fact, many Dutch cities wouldn't exist without extensive preventive planning strategies many of which can be adapted in the face of rising sea levels.

Registration:

The registration for the 17th IPHS Conference is **now open**

on the website: https://iphs2016.org.

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