Conference “Common Room – Architecture, Democracy and Emotions since 1945”
25 – 27 May 2016

Thursday, 26 May 2016

10:00 Welcome and Introduction (Philipp Nielsen and Till Großmann)

Panel 1 – Representing the State
10:15 – 11:45
Chair: Philipp Nielsen (Berlin)

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11:45 Lunch Buffet

Panel 2 – Squatting
13:30 – 15:00
Chair: Tobias Bernet (Berlin)

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<td>De-politicisation as a Formula for Success? Illegal Occupation of Flats in the German Democratic Republic (GDR)</td>
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15:00 Coffee Break
Panel 3 – The Image of Housing
15:30 – 17:00
Chair: Till Großmann (Berlin)

Anna Ross (Oxford)
*Photographing Neighbourhood “Connectedness” in the two Germanies, 1970-85*

Liat Savin Ben-Shoshan (Jerusalem/Tel Aviv)
*Playing with the Image: Architectural Brutalism, Photography, and the Construction of Images of Public Housing in Post War Britain*

17:00 Coffee Break

Panel 4 – The Politics of Public Housing
17:45 – 19:15
Chair: Benno Gammerl (Berlin)

Kavita Kulkarni (New York)
*Mitchell-Lama Co-ops and the Affective Economies of Opportunity Over Integration in Postwar Central Brooklyn*

Igor Tyshchenko (Kiev)
*Constructing the Ideal Neighbourhood: “Lyrical” and Humane Soviet Residential Environment and its Decline in Post-Socialist Kyiv*

19:15 Reception

19:45 **Keynote Lecture**
Spyros Papapetros (Princeton)
*Fear, Defense, and Community in Frederick Kiesler’s Magic Architecture*
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Panel 5 – Architectural Nostalgia  
9:30 – 11:00  
Chair: Daniel Morat (Berlin)

- Karol Kurnucki (Kraków)  
  *The Ups and Downs of the Defence of Socialist Modernist Architecture: The Concern for Material Heritage in the Uses of Democracy*

- Lesley Braun (Chicago)  
  *Stuck in Kinshasa: Modernization, Erosion & Mobility*

11:00  
**Coffee Break**

Panel 6 – Permanently Provisional  
11:30 – 13:00  
Chair: Joseph Ben Prestel (Berlin)

- Azadeh Sobout (Belfast, video conference)  
  *Politics and Poetics of Place-making: Boundaries of Self and Other in Golshahr*

- Hania Halabi (London/Jerusalem)  
  *Future Memory and the Thief of Time: Traumatic Urbanism in Gaza between the Imaginary and the Real*

13:00  
**Lunch Buffet**

Panel 7 – Capitalism and Democracy  
14:30 – 16:00  
Chair: Yaara Benger (Berlin)

- Tim Verlaan (Amsterdam)  
  *Urban Redevelopment as Self-Development: Consumerist versus Culturalist Architecture in Utrecht, 1960-1973*

- Emre Gönlügür (Izmir)  
  *The Uneasy Lure of the Istanbul Hilton Hotel: A Showcase of Consumer Democracy in Postwar Turkey*

16:00  
**Coffee Break**

16:30  
**Final Discussion**

19:30  
**Conference Dinner** with speakers and chairs  
Restaurant “Altes Europa”, Gipsstr. 11, 10119 Berlin