# **International Conference**

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# "THE EMPOWERMENT OF CIVIL SOCIETY IN URBAN POLICIES: FOR WHOM? FOR WHAT PROJECTS?"

# **Programme**

October 31st - November 2<sup>nd</sup> 2009

Porquerolles Island, France

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# Saturday October 31<sup>th</sup> 2009

2:00 - 4:00 pm

4:30 – 6:30 pm

# Registration

4:00 - 4:15 pm

# Welcome address

Brigitte Colin, UNESCO

Philippe Sardin, Université de Lyon, ENTPE

Robert Peccoud, Agence Française de Développement

# 4:15 - 4:30 pm

Address from the Chairman of the Conference, Izugbara Chimaroke, University of Uyo, Nigeria / African Population and Health Research Center, Kenya

# Roundtable

## Chair

Izugbara Chimaroke, University of Uyo, Nigeria / African Population and Health Research Center, Kenya

# **Keynote Speakers**

# Jean-Gabriel Contamin, Université de Lille 2, France

"Empowerment and politicization"

# **Tovi Fenster, Tel Aviv University, Israel**

"The 'Use' of Empowerment at the Local Level : The Politics of Urban Planning"

# Enrique Peruzzotti, Tella University in Buenos Aires, Argentina

"Civil Society and Empowerment: towards a comprehensive theory of democratic participation"

6:30 pm

# **Welcome Cocktail**

# Sunday November 1<sup>st</sup> 2009

9:00 am

# **Plenary Session**

# The institutionalization of empowerment in urban policies - 1 Notion and contexts

9:00 – 10:30 am

## Chair

Jean-Gabriel Contamin, Université de Lille 2, France

#### **Samuel Mossner**

Trust and Governance: a precondition for integrated urban development programs A comparative outlook on Italy and Germany.

## Hélène Balazard, Philippe Genestier

The notion of empowerment: an analyzer of cultural contradictions and of contemporary sociopolitical tensions

## Marie-Hélène Bacqué, Carole Biewener

A genealogical perspective on the notion of empowerment

#### **Ashok Das**

Empowerment through participatory slum upgrading: comparing Indian and Indonesian cases and contexts

11:00 – 12:30 am

#### Chair

Roser Cusso, Université Paris 8, France

## **Durley Miranda**

Empowerment in urban politics: the practices of the French association « Villes en Transition » with the inhabitants of the 8th District, Ho Chi Minh-Vietnam

#### **Pradeep Kumar Saxena**

Empowerment and the Harsh Reality of Territorial Social Systems: A Study of Urban Tribal Settlements Programs in the Jaipur(India ) District 2005-20008

#### **Emmanuel J. C. Duru**

The political and economic conditions of the institutionalization of empowerment in urban policies for the last twenty years in Nigeria

#### Santanu Kumar Ghosh

Reconciliation between the Civil Society Movement against the acquisition of agricultural land for industrialisation at Singur(Small car Projecr of Tata Motors) and the opinion of the inhavitants of Singur

# **Plenary Session**

# **Empowerment and the harsh reality of territorial social systems**

2:00 - 3:30 pm

#### Chair

Mylène Jaccoud, Université de Montréal, Canada

#### **Tino Buchholz**

Civil Society and the Real Thing. Who can Grasp the Initiative in the Ruhr, Germany?

# **Nathalie Blanc, Cyria Emelianoff**

Environmental requalification : a new basis for empowerment ?

#### Victor Adebola Olubunmi Adetula

Ethnic-based organizations and the politics of resource allocation in urban Africa

4:00 - 5:30 pm

#### Chair

Peter Ezeh, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria

#### **Lavinia Bifulco**

Citizens Participation: Practices, Powers and Subjects.

## **Susanna Schaller, Johannes Novy**

Entrepreneurial Governance in New York City: Rezoning 125th Street

#### Olusola Popoola, Grace Adeniji

Assessing urbanization process and its impacts on urban housing: a focus on illegal neighborhoods in Ibadan, Nigeria

# Monday November 2<sup>nd</sup> 2009

9:00 - 11:00 am

# Plenary Session The institutionalization of empowerment in urban policies - 2 Social and interest groups

#### Chair

Izugbara Chimaroke, University of Uyo, Nigeria / African Population and Health Research Center, Kenya

## **Nwadigwe Emeka Charles**

Discordant tunes: town unions, statecontrolled mass media and the empowerment of civil society in southeastern Nigeria

#### **Manuel Lutz**

What right to the city? German Wagenplaetze and the quest for a "space of true pleasure

## Pandji Kawe Guy Rostand

Genre et dynamique sociopolitique a Ngaoundere (Nord-Cameroun) : Mutations et perceptions de 1989 a nos jours

## **Shyam Singh**

Cornering Urban and Preferring Rural: The Politics of Empowerment in India

#### **Jacob Tatsitsa**

The notion and action of civil society in the management of xenophobia towards the Bamileke in Cameroonian cities, 1948-2008

11:30 - 12:30 am

# **Business Meeting**

# **Roundtable Closing Session**

#### Chair

Tovi Fenster, Tel Aviv University, Israel

# **Keynote Speakers**

# Mylène Jaccoud, Université de Montréal, Canada

"Myth and reality of empowerment in urban policies: the case of social mediation initiatives"

## Peter Ezeh, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria

"De-impoverishment of the Urban Poor: Some Systemic Dimensions"

# Roser Cusso, Université Paris 8, France

"Empowerment in the context of international development programs"