

**Europe, Crisis and Uneven Development****Location: Mediterranean Agricultural Institute of Chania, Crete, Greece****Local organiser: Dr. Vassilis Arapoglou, University of Crete**

Europe is witnessing a profound period of crisis and uneven development. The Eurozone crisis is re-shaping economic and geo-political relations across the continent. Reactions to the 2007/8 financial crisis still rebound and austerity remains a primary neo-liberal response. At the same time Europe is impacted by a crisis of migration and mobility arising from events in the Middle East and North Africa. These dynamics continue to have important consequences for Europe's cities and regions; re-working in complex ways the inter-dependencies between place and the lived experiences of austerity urbanism and regionalism. The global rise of 'new powers' are also having an impact on how Europe, its citizens, and its cities and regions are connected to the wider world. The 10<sup>th</sup> *European Urban and Regional Studies* conference aims to consider a wide range of consequences of these changes as well as other themes relating to European urban and regional change.

To address these questions the Editors propose the following broad themes, but as always welcome papers that cut across or go beyond those specified.

- Europe, the crisis and austerity urbanism/regionalism
- Urban and regional inequality and (in)security within Europe
- Policy mobilities in Europe, assemblages and experimentations with regulatory restructuring
- European borders and boundaries: who/where is included and who/where is excluded
- Mobility and migration within Europe and "Europe of the camps?"
- Gender and ethnicity in European cities and regions
- Global production networks, changing international divisions of labour, and regional transformation in Europe
- Winners and losers of the crisis: maps of regional inequality in Europe
- The geo-politics of regional integration and energy security within and without Europe
- Healthy/unhealthy urban environments
- Energy transitions, energy poverty and affordability in European cities and regions
- City transformations, investments/disinvestments and communication technologies in spaces of flows
- Industrial and regional creativity and change
- Poverty and wealth: social inequalities and social reproduction in places undergoing transformation
- Urban and regional peripherality and interactions between urban and rural spaces
- Arbitrage Europe: new modalities of finance
- City privatisation and financialization
- Global acquisitions of land and natural resources
- Contested politics of urban change grassroots movements and participatory governance
- Alternative and solidarity economies
- A 'new politics of Europe' and its regions?

**Plenary Speakers include:****Austerity Urbanism** Thomas Maloutas (Harokopeio University) and Kevin Ward (University of Manchester)**Borders and Social Movements** Luiza Bialasiewicz (University of Amsterdam) and Margit Mayer (Free University Berlin)**Organisation:** The conference will be held at the conference centre of the Mediterranean Agricultural Institute of Chania in Crete, Greece.

Full package <b>with</b> accommodation	Price per person
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Registration fee</li> <li>• Bed and breakfast (14,15,16 Sept)</li> <li>• Tea/coffee/lunches</li> <li>• Welcome reception/dinner (14<sup>th</sup>), dinner at local taverna (15<sup>th</sup>) and final conference dinner (16<sup>th</sup>)</li> </ul>	475 Euros
Day package <b>without</b> accommodation	
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Basic package <b>without</b> accommodation	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Registration fee</li> <li>• Tea/coffee/lunches</li> <li>• Welcome reception</li> </ul>	220 Euros

**Proposals for papers** A title and 200 word abstract should be sent by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2016 to Kathy Wood, Editorial Manager, European Urban and Regional Studies (email: eurs@sagepub.co.uk). All proposals will be refereed and acceptance of papers will be confirmed, and which point participants can register for the conference.