



2011.1 SCUPAD Newsletter

1. 44th SCUPAD Congress 2012: May 3 – 6, 2012 ... please note the (corrected) date!

Frontpage Planning Before and after Major Events, Disasters, and Social Unrest

SCUPAD Congress 2012 seeks to examine the planning process that takes place before, during, and after major world events – events that often make headlines and appear on the “Frontpage” of international media.

These “events” include large sporting events such as the Olympics or World Cup; natural and man-made disasters such as earthquakes and floods; and the reconstruction and rebuilding that occurs after major political, social, and economic upheavals. Specifically, we are interested in interrogating the following concerns:

- o How does the planning process that takes place before an event compare to the planning process that happens after?
- o What is the role of risk or chance in planning for these events? How do we mitigate risk while taking chances?
- o What are the short- and long-term effects of these events at multiple levels, from the global to hyper-local?
- o What is the impact of deadlines in the planning process?

The three major thematic threads of the topic are as following

- o **Major World Events:** In advance of the 2012 Summer Olympics in London and following the 2010 World Cup Championship in South Africa, the impact of events with worldwide significance is quite relevant. Cities seek to host these events for a variety of social and economic reasons,

though the long-term impact of this sort of large-scale development is not always evaluated. While world sporting events come first to mind, we can also examine cultural events such as Biennials of the art and architecture worlds, as well as World Fairs and Expositions.

- o **Disasters:** After the spate of natural disasters in the past few years that have wreaked havoc in cities and countries across the globe, we have experienced a shift in planning and reconstruction after natural disasters to developing the newer practice of planning in advance of impending disaster. These disasters are also usually man-made as well, exposing social inequities and shortfalls of public policy. Beyond weather- and geomorphically-induced disasters such as floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, volcanoes, fires, and tsunamis, we would also like to address the threats of nuclear fallout and epidemics.
- o **Social Unrest:** Inspired by the recent people’s movements across the Middle East and Africa - which have taken the form of demonstrations in reclaimed public space - we are interested in the role planning has (or can have) in rebuilding societies, both physically and socially, after these radical social shifts. This social unrest can take many forms - economic crisis, populist uprisings, outright revolution, and politic regime changes - but all force citizens and government bodies to regroup, reformulate goals and outcomes, and even rebuild. We are interested in comparing contemporary challenges in this area to historic examples of rebuilding cities, such as reconstructing Berlin after the fall of the wall and rebuilding lower Manhattan after 9/11 in New York City.

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2. Welcome: New SCUPAD Members

The General Assembly in Salzburg May 8, 2011 recorded five new SCUPAD members:

Rick Batelaan

Senior Adviser, Department of Infrastructure, Traffic and Transport, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Kaj Deana

Manager, Strategic Portfolio Management, Bouwfonds Real Estate Investment Management, Hoeverlaken, Netherlands

Ute Kinn,

GRIPS Ettlingen, Germany

Maia Mania

Prof., Dr. Tbilisi State Academy of Arts, Tbilisi, Georgia

Wilhelm Natrup

Chief Officer Planning Department, Kanton Zuerich, Switzerland

All new members presented a case-study at SCUPAD Congress 2011. Many thanks again for your exciting contribution to the congress.

The Committee heartily welcomes you as members of SCUPAD. We hope very much to see you back at our annual congresses in Salzburg. We are looking forward to your contributions in the ongoing discourse at our SCUPAD Congresses.



3. Call for Papers: Invitation to present 2012 recent scientific and planning projects

As in previous years, SCUPAD invites students, researchers, practitioners and especially SCUPAD Members to present recent scientific and planning projects as contribution to the topic of SCUPAD Congress

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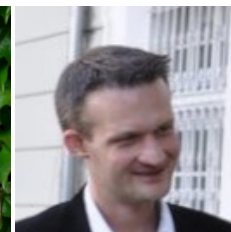
For details and dates please have a look to SCUPAD website: <http://www.scupad.org/web/>

4. Changes in SCUPAD Committee: May 8, 2011 ... Thanks to Uri Mazor, welcome to new members

Uri Mazor (Tel Aviv) left in May 2011 the SCUPAD Committee. He was a member since May 2008. His profound professional experience and the fruitful way he is able to give input to the discussions of the committee always have been very worthwhile contributions. It is good to have such a member at SCUPAD, it is sad he wanted to leave the committee because of more duties in his profession - and more time for his family.



Zegeye



Joris



Andreas

The General Assembly elected three new members:

- **Zegeye Cherenet** (Ethiopia, now Germany).
- **Joris Quaedflieg** (Netherlands)
- **Andreas Schulze Bäing** (Great Britain)

The SCUPAD Committee now has ten members:

- Hartmut E. Arras (President, Germany)
- Han Joosten (Vice Pres. Internal Affairs, Netherlands)
- Ivan Stanic (Vice Pres. External Affairs, Slovenia)
- Catalijne Elissen (Secretary, Netherlands)
- Petra Hirschler (Treasurer, Austria)
- Andreas Dillinger (Chief Information Officer, Austria)
- Zegeye Cherenet (Member, Ethiopia)
- Stephen Goldsmith (Member, United States)
- Joris Quaedflieg (Member, Netherlands)
- Andreas Schulze Bäing (Member, Great Britain).

5. Reminder for Membership fee: Please transfer your fee to the SCUPAD account

As you know, SCUPAD has changed the structure of the membership fees and the way to collect the fee (see www.scupad.org/web/content/membership-fee). For a long time we only asked that membership fees, be paid by those who attended a SCUPAD Congress.

Now individual personal bills will be sent to each member. The first year, the bill was mailed, has been 2010 - but it did not happen before December. The reason behind this very late date were difficulties to update the member-database and to install a mailing software.

This year the treasurer announced to the General Assembly that bills for 2011 will be send earlier in the year. In 2012 we expect bills will be mailed in January or

February.

Many thanks go to the members who already paid the membership fee 2010.

An **urgent request** goes to those members, who have not yet transferred the membership fee for 2010: Please do it right now, you find all necessary information (bank account etc.) on the bill.

SCUPAD can only exist if the membership fees are paid. Due to high expenses for the new website and for new software payment of fees is vital.

Please tranfer your fees.