



## URBAN DYNAMICS & HOUSING CHANGE

Crossing into the 2<sup>nd</sup> Decade of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Millennium

22<sup>nd</sup>



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04 - 07 July 2010, Istanbul - Turkey

## Dear Friends,

We invite housing and urban researchers to meet in Istanbul, the only city in the world located geographically on two continents divided by the Marmara Sea and its strait called the Bosphorus.

We are pleased to be able to organise the 22<sup>nd</sup> conference of the European Network for Housing Research in Istanbul at such an important time, and for two main reasons. Firstly, Istanbul will be the cultural capital of Europe in 2010. Secondly, the year 2010 is important for everyone as we will be close to crossing into the 2<sup>nd</sup> decade of the 3<sup>rd</sup> millennium. This moment, by providing a unique opportunity to draw lessons from the past and formulate new housing research questions for the future, helped us to define not only the theme of the conference but also the structure of its plenary sessions which will bring together different housing and urban researchers to discuss these questions from their own points of view. Thus the main theme of the conference was defined as *Urban Dynamics and Housing Change* which will be elaborated by giving answers to three basic questions as follows: (1) *Where are we now?* (2) *What does the future hold?* (3) *What should we do?*

ENHR conferences have always created excellent opportunities for housing and urban researchers to exchange ideas and research findings, to establish networks within the wider European Network for Housing Research, and to encourage collaborative study. These networks within the ENHR are organised as Working Groups, and have shaped the Workshops of ENHR conferences. There are 24 ENHR Working Groups, and as usual they will shape the workshop structure of the ENHR2010 Istanbul Conference.

Every second year, ENHR Conferences include a New Housing Researchers Colloquium for PhD students. We are pleased to announce that an ENHR2010 Colloquium will also take place in Istanbul on 1-3 July, 2010. We invite senior housing and urban researchers to advise their PhD students to follow the link provided on the website of ENHR2010 to reach the website of the ENHR2010 colloquium.

We hope that the ENHR2010 Istanbul Conference will, once again, provide an interesting platform from which to identify the new housing research questions relevant to the next decade.

**ENHR2010 ORGANISING TEAM- Istanbul**

## Conference Theme

The first decade of the 3rd millennium has seen a number of significant developments shaping urban dynamics and housing in different ways:

- **Technological advances**, rooted in previous decades, they have increased both the number of internet users and their capabilities. Web-based commerce, social networking and e-governments have become indispensable parts of daily life. Technological advances make **life easier** and enhance economic growth on the one hand, while they create **busier lives** and **less face-to-face relations** in societies.
- **The September 11th attacks, bombings and the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq** have together increased **conflicts** between urban dwellers of different ethnic and religious backgrounds. Furthermore, while security has become a significant concern, it has created other issues by placing limitations on mobility across borders and by lessening tolerance. This has made the issue of **urban security** a common concern among policy makers, academics and professionals who, from various disciplines, are engaged with urban and housing issues.
- The term '**global warming**' has been replaced by '**global climate change**', placing ever greater pressure on all nations to take collaborative measures to lessen its detrimental impact at global, regional and local levels. In addition, increased demands on natural resources and the risk of natural disasters have placed significant attention on their consumption.
- The **global neo-liberal winds** have continued to influence urban and housing policies. Many cities have changed their appearance through real estate investments, with an increasing number of **owner occupied dwellings** and shopping malls **encouraging consumption**. While the changing face of cities highlights the need for regeneration projects, there has been an increasing debate within urban areas on the growing problems of new/urban poverty, social exclusion, gentrification, polarisation and housing market segmentation. Moreover, **the global economic crisis**, shaking local markets directly, shifted the direction of neo-liberal winds towards intervention by governments to solve the problems of national economies and to sustain the globalised world order.

Within these changes and dynamics, we need to look at cities, and specifically at housing issues, from both technological and political perspectives, complementing the three “E”s (**efficiency, equity, ecology**) of sustainability. Set against this background, the conference aims to answer the following questions:

- **Where are we now?** How have urban environments and housing changed during the first decade of the 3rd millennium? What are the urban dynamics which have resulted from global developments? Do we now have greater polarisation among urban dwellers? What are the consequences of these developments for residential segregation? What is the role of urban planning, housing design and/or regeneration projects?
- **What does the future hold?** What are the scenarios for future urban life and housing with respect to efficiency, equity and ecology? How will new technologies and innovations change the lives of urban citizens? What are the pre-requisites for sustainable urban life in economic, social and ecological terms? What needs to be changed in order to achieve these objectives?
- **What should we do?** What are our objectives for the 2<sup>nd</sup> decade of the 3<sup>rd</sup> millennium with respect to urban life and housing? How can the accumulated body of knowledge in the field of urban and housing studies be translated into strategies and into real life to create a better future for all? What are the implications for a **new urban and housing research agenda** for the next decade to close the existing knowledge gap and develop appropriate strategies?

The first plenary session will answer these basic questions locating the conference in the context of Turkey. The following pair of plenary sessions will bring together senior urban and housing researchers from different disciplines to discuss the possible answers to these questions. There will be three speakers and a discussant in each plenary session. The discussants will then act as speakers in the last plenary session to find answers to the last basic question- what should we do?

## Conference Timetable

	4 July, 2010 Sunday	5 July, 2010 Monday	6 July, 2010 Tuesday	7 July, 2010 Wednesday
09.00				STUDY TOURS
09.30	Registration			
10.00	WG Meetings	PLENARY 2 A&B	PLENARY 3 A&B	
10.30	ENHR CC			
11.00	OPENING & PLENARY 1	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	
11.30	MKM-Maçka	WORKSHOPS3	WORKSHOPS 6	
12.00				
12.30				
13.00	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	Social Programme <sup>2</sup> (optional)
13.30	WORKSHOPS 1	WORKSHOPS 4	WORKSHOPS7	
14.00				
14.30	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	
15.00				
15.30	WORKSHOPS 2	WORKSHOP 5	ENHR GENERAL ASSEMBLY	
16.00				
16.30				
17.00				
17.30				
18.00	WELCOME COCKTAIL	SLIDE COMPETITION	PLENARY 4	
18.30				
19.00				
19.30				
20.00		Social Programme <sup>1</sup> (Optional)	CONFERENCE DINNER	
20.30				
21.00				
21.30				
22.00				
22.30				
23.00				

1. Boat Trip-Dinner

2. Swimming Tour

## Plenary Sessions

**04 July 2010**

### Opening Session:

Welcome Addresses

Chair:

Speakers:

### Plenary 1: Urban Dynamics and Housing in Turkey

Chair:

Speaker:

**05 July 2010**

### Plenary 2: Where are we now?

#### P2A: Global Consequences of Neo-Liberal Policies

**Keywords:** Polarisation of Economic Potential, Rising Economic Disparities, Increasing Consumption and the Urban Underprivileged

Chair:

Speakers:

Discussant:

#### P2B: Socio-Spatial Reflections of Global Developments

**Keywords:** Changing Socio-Spatial Structures, Diversity and Environmental Concerns

Chair:

Speakers:

Discussant:

**06 July 2010**

### Plenary 3: What does the future hold?

#### P3A: Urban Future & Housing Change

**Keywords:** Changing Housing and Labour Markets, Social and Demographic Developments, Migration and Environmental Concerns

Chair:

Speakers:

Discussant:

#### P3B: Changing Relations between Space and Society

**Keywords:** Environment, Innovative Technologies, Urban Space, Housing and Security

Chair:

Speakers:

Discussant:

### Plenary 4: What should we do?

#### Crossing the 2<sup>nd</sup> Decade of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Millennium: Implications for Housing Research

Chair:

Speakers:

Discussant:

## Workshops

Workshops will be defined according to the information that will be provided by the ENHR Working Group Coordinators,

## Study Tours

**Presentation :** Urban Dynamics & Housing in Istanbul

**Speaker:** Fulin Bölen

**Options:**

### A. Historic Neighbourhoods

This field trip aims present an overview of the problems related to the historic neighbourhoods in Istanbul, a city with a long history of settlement. Due to high urbanisation rate and migration the old neighbourhoods are under the threat of piecemeal redevelopment and/or total neglect. The trip will cover examples of historic neighbourhoods such as the old bosphorus villages, old neighbourhoods along the Golden Horn and inner city historic residential areas.



## B. Squatter Settlements

High rate of population growth and policies that encouraged low cost housing have led to the development of informal/illegal/unplanned housing areas. This field trip will present the dynamic changes that are taking place in the old squatter settlements as well as the problems created by the more recent informal/illegal settlements threatening the water reservation areas and forests.



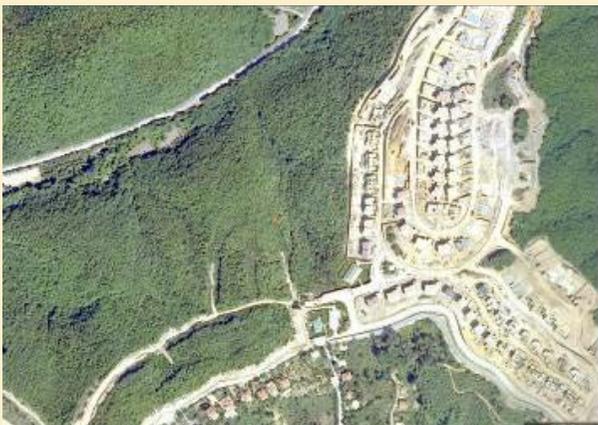
### C. Large Scale Housing

During the last decade Istanbul is going through a widespread development of high-rise, high density housing projects especially encouraged by the handing over the authority of planning and developing of all vacant public lands to the Housing Agency attached to the Prime Ministry (TOKI). This field trip will visit some of the first examples of large scale housing and the most recent developments, thus giving a wide perspective of the dynamism of large scale developments.



## D. Gated Communities

This field trip is intended to display the recent trends in residential developments in Istanbul. These are the residential areas developed by the private sector to provide secure and safe environments for families together with all the necessary facilities depending on their lifestyles. These gated communities are piecemeal developments generally dispersed towards the north of the metropolitan area where the forest land and water reservoir areas are located. Thus this new trend is seen both as a threat on social life and the natural environment.



## Venue:

The conference venue is **Taskisla**. It is the home of ITU's Faculty of Architecture, which hosts five departments. These are Architecture, Urban and Regional Planning, Industrial Product Design, Landscape Architecture and Interior Architecture.

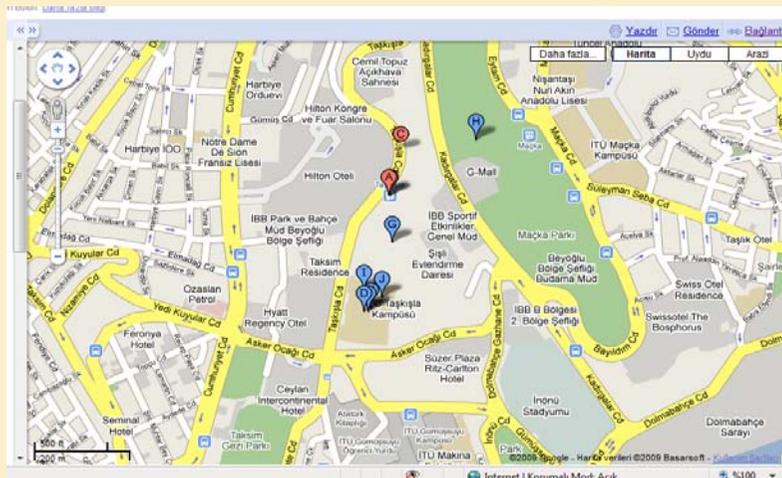
Taskisla, which is located within walking distance to Taksim Square, is one of the most renowned historical buildings in Istanbul. Its location in the cultural hub of Istanbul makes it an exciting place both for students and for visitors attending academic events.

All Workshop Sessions, Plenary Session 2 and Plenary Session 3 will be organised in Taskisla. Registration Desk will also serve in Taskisla during the conference.



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Conference Opening Session, Plenary Session 1 and Plenary Session 4 (closing) will be organised in Macka Building of ITU, which is located within walking distance to Taskisla.



## Important Dates

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### Online Registration Deadlines

Early Bird: 05 February 2010

Link closes: 10 June 2010

### Online Submission Deadlines

Abstracts: 05 January 2010

Papers: 31 May 2010

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## Registration Fee

The registration fee for participants will cover conference itineraries (conference bag & the book of abstracts), welcome reception, lunches and beverage service (tea and coffee), conference dinner and a study tour. Accompanying person's fee will cover welcome reception, conference dinner and a study tour.

	Paid before 05 February 2010	Paid after 05 February 2010
<b>ENHR Members</b>	400 Euro	450 Euro
<b>Non-Members</b>	450 Euro	510 Euro
<b>Accompanying Person</b>	110 Euro	120 Euro

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## Reduced fee

The following countries are entitled to a **€ 100** discount on the conference fee: Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Georgia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Moldova, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Montenegro, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Turkey, Ukraine, Uzbekistan & all countries in Africa.

## Conference Organisation

The conference will be hosted by a consortium of three academic institutions of the Istanbul Technical University (ITU)

- Faculty of Architecture
- Urban and Environmental Planning and Research Centre
- Housing Education and Research Centre

ITU is a state university and defines and continues to update methods of engineering and architecture in Turkey. It provides its students with modern educational facilities while retaining traditional values, as well as using its strong international contacts to mold young, talented individuals who can compete in the global arena. ITU was established in 1773, during the time of the Ottoman Sultan Mustafa III. With its original name “Mühendishane-i Bahr-i Humayûn”, The Royal School of Naval Engineering, its responsibility was to educate chart masters and ship builders. In 1847, education in the field of architecture was also introduced. Gaining university status in 1928, the Engineering Academy continued to provide education in the fields of engineering and architecture until it was incorporated into ITU in 1944. Finally, in 1946, ITU became an autonomous university which included the Faculties of Architecture, Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, and Electrical Engineering. ITU has about 20000 students, more than 2000 academic staff in 5 institutions, 12 faculties, 1 higher school for vocal training, a conservatory, a foreign languages school and 26 research centers and groups as well as a continuous education center and a distant learning center. For more information go to [://www.itu.edu.tr](http://www.itu.edu.tr)

**Faculty of Architecture** has five departments: Architecture, Urban and Regional Planning, Industrial Product Design, Landscape Architecture and Interior Architecture. There are more than 220 faculty members in totally being 120 professors, associated professors and assistant professors, and 105 research assistants in the five departments of the Faculty for teaching more than 1600 students.

In the 1980s, a structural reorganisation effort was carried out with the establishment of research centres including the **Urban and Environmental Planning and Research Centre (UEPRC)**. The UEPRC is designed to carry out research and consulting related to environmental and urban planning issues and architecture. Knowledge accumulated through the nationally and internationally supported projects on housing by the academic staff of the Faculty of Architecture of the ITU has led to the establishment of the **Housing Research and Education Centre (HREC)** in 1998.

Faculty of Architecture ( [://www.mim.itu.edu.tr/](http://www.mim.itu.edu.tr/) ), the UEPRC ( [://www3.itu.edu.tr/~csuygar/english/index.html](http://www3.itu.edu.tr/~csuygar/english/index.html) ), and the HREC ( [://www.hrec.itu.edu.tr/](http://www.hrec.itu.edu.tr/) ), have organised several national and international conferences, workshops and seminars. For more information please follow the links provided.

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## Conference Web Site

[://enhr2010.com](http://enhr2010.com) coming soon!

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## Accommodation

Istanbul provides a wide selection of accommodation opportunities ranging from restored 19th-century timber houses to luxurious international hotels. Every year nearly 5 million tourists are welcomed with the grand hospitality that is the Turkish tradition. For 2010, Istanbul is expecting to welcome 10 million tourists from all over the world to celebrate its title of European Capital of Culture 2010.

ENHR2010 Istanbul accommodation arrangements will be made directly with the Travel e22- Organising Tour Operator secure online booking system.

Early booking is strongly recommended because of the European Capital of Culture events.



**Time Zone**

Time is two hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT+2) in Turkey.

**Electricity**

The current in Turkey is AC, 220 volts at 50 cycles.

**Telephones**

Pay phones are available at the Conference Venue as well as in the city. Phone cards are widely available in shops. The international dialling code for Turkey is 90 and the code for European Side of Istanbul city is 212, for Anatolian Side is 216. National calls: 0 + city code + telephone number, International calls: 00 + country code + city code + telephone number.

**Laptops and Internet**

Internet is now widespread in Turkey and there are tens of different Internet Service Providers. Access is available via the basic switched telephone network, the digital ISDN network, the high speed ADSL protocol and various satellite and television systems. The Conference Venue provides wireless internet connection in common areas at no cost.

**Banks and Currency Exchange**

Istanbul banks are open Monday to Friday from 9:00- 12:30 and 13:30-17:30. Some banks that are located in touristic and business areas are open daily. The Turkish currency is Turkish Lira. There are banknotes in 5, 10, 20, 50, 100 and 200 Turkish Lira denominations in general circulation. There are also 1 Lira coins. Turk Lira consists of 100 Kuruş. There are 5, 10, 25, and 50 Kuruş coins. Sterling, Euros and Dollars can be easily changed into Turkish Lira at all banks, post offices (PTT) and exchange offices. There is no problem bringing any amount of money in any form of currency to Turkey. The majority of the banks have ATMs and there can be found freestanding ones at strategic points. They operate in the same way as those throughout the USA and Europe. There is an option on most to choose the language and in some cases to choose Turkish Lira, US Dollars or Euros.

**Credit Cards**

Most major credit cards are accepted in hotels, restaurants and stores but visitors are always advised to check with the vendor before a purchase is made. Cash machines with 24-hour access are available in many convenient locations.

### **Climate**

The climate of Istanbul is mild. Good weather and sunshine is the predominant weather during July. Current weather conditions and weather forecasts can be seen the internet site of national meteorological office of Turkey and Istanbul in “[.meteor.gov.tr](http://.meteor.gov.tr)”.

### **Clothing**

In summer (June-September) it is recommended to wear cool cotton clothing, a hat and sun block lotion but have a light sweater for cool evenings.

### **Medical Service**

Lots of medical services are available around the Conference Venue and in case of emergency an ambulance service can be called by dialing 112 in everywhere.

### **Dining Out**

Istanbul is a wonderful place for food no matter what your budget. From simple workers' eateries and sidewalk cafes to posh culinary palaces with liveried waiters, Turkish cuisine is good and the value-for-money unbeatable. The typical dish of Istanbul would consist of lamb, mutton, and veal, to which a variety of vegetables are added. Pilaf, all kinds of pastry, bulgur, haricot beans, rich olive oil, and vegetables are used as side dishes. Meatballs, shish kebab, and doner kebab are classic dishes. Because of its coastal location, fish is also popular although is usually cooked simply, such as grilled, or fried with olive oil and lemon juice. Istanbul is the commercial and cultural centre of Turkey; therefore, there are restaurants of many nationalities such as Korean, Russian, Italian, and Chinese. American-style fast-food outlets are becoming more popular but for a quick snack it is more appropriate to fill up at the plethora of tiny take away with kebabs and snacks. It is easy to sample good quality regional cuisine in typical small restaurants, usually at low cost, especially in the commercial and business areas.

### **Shopping**

Shopping is one of the great pleasures of a trip to Turkey and the rich variety of Turkish crafts makes it impossible to resist buying something. Alongside the most modern objects, traditional handicrafts from villages and provinces can be found. Practical things for the home and kitchen can be found but alongside these are many decorative items, often in the traditional Turkish style. The most popular objects for the holidaymaker are, of course, carpets; but the various leather and suede goods, copper and bronze wares, silver, ceramics, handicrafts, embroidery; and the famous Turkish meerschaum and onyx are on many people's lists as well. Most of the shops are open from 9:00 through 19:00 Monday to Saturday. During the summer months, many establishments will stay open much later in the evening. Some of the supermarkets, shopping malls, department stores, newspapers and food shops are also open on Sundays.

For more information about Turkey please visit:

[://www.kultur.gov.tr/EN/Default.aspx?17A16AE30572D313D4AF1EF75F7A79681D9DD78D03148A6E](http://www.kultur.gov.tr/EN/Default.aspx?17A16AE30572D313D4AF1EF75F7A79681D9DD78D03148A6E)

For more information about Istanbul please visit:

[://www.istanbulcityguide.com/](http://www.istanbulcityguide.com/)

[://www.timeout.com/travel/istanbul](http://www.timeout.com/travel/istanbul)

[://english.istanbul.gov.tr/Default.aspx?pid=292](http://english.istanbul.gov.tr/Default.aspx?pid=292)

[://english.istanbul.com/?Vst=2](http://english.istanbul.com/?Vst=2)

[://www.lonelyplanet.com/turkey/istanbul](http://www.lonelyplanet.com/turkey/istanbul)

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