

Research Centre of Slovene Academy of Sciences and Arts, France Stele Institute of Art History

kindly invites you to the International Conference

MAPPING THE SPACES OF MODERNIST CITIES WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF CIAM'S ATHENS CHARTER

March 11–13, 2020

Conference venue: Municipality of Nova Gorica, Big Congress Hall.

Address: Trg Edvarda Kardelja 1, Nova Gorica.

More than a quarter of a century since the adoption of the Athens Charter, which established the principle of a functionalist town at the 4th CIAM (Congrès internationaux d'architecture moderne) congress, presents a period long enough for a renewed critical evaluation of its principles and an analysis of the development of housing estates, which were founded on these principles. One such example is Nova Gorica, a town built after the Second World War next to the newly delineated border between the socialist Yugoslavia and the Republic of Italy. From today's perspective, Nova Gorica represents a pendant to the town Gorica (Gorizia) in Italy, the former historical medieval and modern-day centre of the region, while it is also an excellent example for carrying out comparative scientific research on how these types of towns were created, how they developed in the following years, and how they adjusted to various economic, political and social circumstances. Conference will approach questions such as the extent to which the original design of modernist towns and neighbourhoods were carried out and if/whether they are settled in the minds of general and professional public as an important urban heritage, worthy of being known and preserved. What kind of dilemmas does monument protection encounter in the preservation and renovation of modernist towns? How much influence did new urban theories and the critique of functionalist planning have on their further development? To what extent did the advantages, as well as shortcomings and inconsistencies of this type of planning mark the establishment of new buildings in a town and influenced the placement of visual art in public space? All these cases will be examined on examples of newly established functionalist towns in other, European and non-European countries.

All presentations will be simultaneously translated into **English** or **Slovene**.

THERE IS NO REGISTRATION FEE.

In case, that you want to attend the conference, please complete the application and send it to Manuela Dajnko (manuela.dajnko@zrc-sazu.si).

Please, address her also with all further questions regarding the conference.

The conference will be organised within the research project Mapping the Urban Spaces of Slovenian Cities from the Historical Perspective: Modernism in Nova Gorica and its Contexts (L6-8262, 1. 5. 2017 – 30. 4. 2020), which is financially supported by the Slovenian Research Agency, Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts and Municipality Nova Gorica.



Application form for attending the International Conference Mapping the Spaces of Modernist Cities within the Context of CIAM's Athens Charter
11–13 March 2020, Nova Gorica (Slovenia)

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- a) vegetarian
- b) vegan
- c) none of the above



Programme

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

9.00–9.30 Registration of participants

9.30–10.00 Opening words

Address of **Klemen Miklavič**, Mayor of Nova Gorica

Address of **Oto Luthar**, Director of ZRC SAZU

Address of **Helena Seražin**, Principal investigator of the project Modmapng

Session 1 The Foundation and Establishment of a Functionalist Town Chair: Alenka Di Battista, Nova Gorica Regional Office of the Institute for the Protection of Cultural Heritage of Slovenia, Nova Gorica and ZRC SAZU, Ljubljana, Slovenia

10.00–11.00 **Marianna Charitonidou, ETH Zürich, Switzerland; National Technical University of Athens and Athens School of Fine Arts, Greece**

From the Athens Charter to the 'Human Association'. Challenging the Assumptions of the Charter of Habitat

Svitlana Linda, National University 'Lviv Polytechnic', Lviv, and Olga Mykhaylyshyn, National University of Water and Environmental Engineering, Rivne, Ukraine

Display of the Athens Charter Provisions in Architecture of the Massive Residential Construction in Ukraine in 1960–1980s

Bogo Zupančič, Museum of Architecture and Design (MAO), Ljubljana, Slovenia

Slovene Architects and CIAM Congresses

11.00–11.30 Discussion

11.30–12.00 Coffee break

12.00–12.40 **Jelica Jovanović, University of Technology, Vienna; Serbia**
New Towns of Serbia. A View from the East of Yugoslavia: Bor, Majdanpek, Donji Milanovac

Alfons Puigarnau, School of Architecture of UIC Barcelona, Spain

The 'New Barcelona' Functional City

12.40–13.00 Discussion



13.00–14.00 Lunch

14.00–15.30 **Alenka Di Battista** and **Katarina Mohar**: Guided tour of the Municipal building

15.30–16.00 Coffee break

Session 2 The Centres of New Functionalist Towns and the Identity of a Town

Chair: Helena Seražin, ZRC SAZU, Ljubljana, Slovenia

16.00–17.00 **Barbara Vodopivec, ZRC SAZU, Ljubljana, Slovenia**
Legacy of the First World War and Identity of Nova Gorica

Valentina Rodani, University of Trieste and University of Udine, Italy

Being Modern beyond the Conflict. The Architecture of Void in Gorizia and Nova Gorica

Tanja Poppelreuter and Lena Karim, University of Salford, Manchester, UK

The Making of a Modern Capital. King Faisal II's Plans for Greater Baghdad

17.00–17.30 Discussion

17.30–18.00 Coffee break

18.00–19.00 **Keynote lecture**

Branko Marušič

On Nova Gorica And Its Circumstances of Origin

Thursday, March 12, 2020

Session 3 Monotony or Diversity of Modernist Residential Architecture

Chair: Bogo Zupančič, Museum of Architecture and Design (MAO), Ljubljana, Slovenia

10.20–11.00 **Alina Beitane, independent architect, Riga, Latvia**
Cohesion of Local Environment and Modernist Residential Architecture in Latvia after the Second World War



**Vaidas Petrulis, Kaunas University of Technology, Kaunas,
Lithuania**

Kaunas. A Garden City of the Baltics?

11.00–11.30 Discussion

11.30–12.00 Coffee break

Session 4 The Forgotten and Decaying Industrial Heritage

**Chair: Gojko Zupan, INDOK Centre for Cultural Heritage,
Ljubljana, Slovenia**

12.00–12.40 **Giuliana Di Mari, Caterina Franchini, Emilia Garda, Politecnico
di Torino; Alessandra Renzulli, Università di Roma La
Sapienza, Rome, Italy**

The City of Adriano. Functionalism out of Box

Klavdija Figelj, ZRC SAZU, Nova Gorica, Slovenia

Factory, which Furnished the City and Built Its Modern Identity

12.40–13.00 Discussion

13.00–14.00 Lunch

14.00–16.00 **Blaž Kosovel: A trail through the history of Nova Gorica from a
socialist display window for the West to the European Union**
Guided tour of Nova Gorica

16.00–16.30 Coffee break

Session 5 Religious Architecture in New Functionalist Towns

**Chair: Franci Lazarini, University of Maribor, Faculty of Arts
and ZRC SAZU, Ljubljana, Slovenia**

16.30–17.10 **Marcus van der Meulen, RWTH Aachen University, Aachen,
Germany**

*Religious Buildings and the Post-war Construction of a Socialist
Utopia in the German Democratic Republic*

Helena Seražin, ZRC SAZU, Ljubljana, Slovenia

*Commission on Religious Affairs and Building of Religious Buildings
in Slovenian Post-war Modernist Settlements. The Case of Nova
Gorica*



17.10–17.30 Discussion

17.30–18.00 Coffee break

18.00–19.00 **Keynote lecture**
Tomaž Vuga
Nova Gorica and its Space

Friday, March 13, 2020

Session 6 Monuments in the Public Space of Functionalist Towns
Chair: Katarina Mohar, ZRC SAZU, Ljubljana; FF UM, Maribor, Slovenia

10.00–11.20 **Svitlana Linda and Anna Fedak, Lviv Polytechnic National University, Ukraine**
Artistic Heritage of the 1970–1980s in the Architecture of Lviv. Problems of Assessment and Preservation

Ernesta Drole, Nova Gorica Regional Office of the Institute for the Protection of Cultural Heritage of Slovenia, Nova Gorica, Slovenia
Memorial Heritage in Nova Gorica

Gojko Zupan, INDOK Centre for Cultural Heritage, Ljubljana, Slovenia
Public Monuments in Nova Gorica and Slovenia in the Time of Modernism and Today

Nadja Zgonik, Academy of Fine Arts and Design of the University of Ljubljana, Slovenia
Building the Social Utopia

11.20–11.50 Discussion

11.50–12.20 Coffee break

Session 7 Mapping and Visualization of a Town
Chair: Barbara Vodopivec, ZRC SAZU, Ljubljana, Slovenia

12.20–13.20 **Eirene Campagna, IULM University, Milan, Italy**



Mapping Berlin: The Space of Monuments and the Perception of Visitors

Tanja Martelanc, Nova Gorica provincial archives, Nova Gorica, Slovenia

Urban Plans of Nova Gorica in PANG

Nejc Bernik, ZRC SAZU, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Creation and development of the town of Nova Gorica. Virtual animation of the boardroom in the municipal building and Ravnikar's apartment buildings

13.20–13.50 Discussion

13.50–14.00 Final words