Cambridge International Behavioural Sciences and Urban Studies Symposium

19 – 22 May 2019, Cambridge, UK

Call for Papers

The Cambridge Real Estate Research Centre is pleased to announce a symposium on Behavioural Sciences and Urban Studies that will be hosted by the Department of Land Economy at University of Cambridge between 19 and 22 May 2019.

Submissions are invited from interested researchers on relevant topics at the intersection of behavioural sciences and urban studies. Examples of possible topics include: urban and rural land use; urban adaptation to climate change; gentrification and housing; homelessness and welfare services; urban management; public-private sector cooperation; development and planning problems; urban regeneration; neighborhood conservation and urban design; immigration and international labor migration; urban politics; urban theory; urban governance; smart cities and regions; infrastructure; livability and quality of life; greening; and the complexities of creating sustainable cities. Papers should apply insights from behavioural methods to address such topics.

The symposium will have no parallel sessions. Each paper presentation session will allow ample time for discussion amongst the presenter, the discussant, and general Q&A with the audience. Participants are expected to arrive on 19 May 2019 (Sunday). All presentations will be held between 20 and 22 May 2019 (Monday to Wednesday).

We will fund group meals and the accommodation of one presenter and one discussant per selected paper. All travel costs will be borne by the participants.

Approximately 16 papers will be selected for presentation at the symposium. Papers accepted for presentation at the symposium will be considered for a special issue of Cities or a special issue of Land Use Policy, with an expedited review subsequent to the symposium.

- A special issue of Cities on ‘Healthy Cities, Happy Cities’

This special issue will focus on policy tools and technological innovations that help to create a healthy urban environment, both physically and mentally. The issue is particularly interested in applications of behavioural insights to discover ways of fostering and improving the sense of belonging and place attachment among urban residents.

*Guest Editors of the Special Issue: Prof. Colin Lizieri and Dr. Helen Bao, Department of Land Economy, University of Cambridge*
A special issue of *Land Use Policy* on ‘Behavioural Land Use Policy Studies’

This special issue will be devoted to behavioural studies in the land use policy domain. We invite studies on the psychological and sociological characteristics of all stakeholders in the land use policy decision making and implementation process. Original studies focusing on policy-takers (for instance, rural households in China that are affected by rural land reclamation policies) are particularly welcome, as this has been an under-researched area in the literature.

*Guest Editor of the Special Issue:* Dr. Helen Bao, Department of Land Economy, University of Cambridge

For consideration, please submit an extended abstract or completed paper electronically by 15 February 2019 (Friday) to

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If you have any queries about the symposium, please contact Dr Bao in the first instance. Priority will be given to complete full-length papers. Authors of accepted papers will be notified by 1 March 2019 (Friday).