

Call for Papers



Philosophy of the City Summer Colloquium 2020: “Everyday Life and the City”

Warsaw, Poland, 15th — 17th June 2020

<https://philosophyofthecity.org/summer-colloquium>

Everyday life has been long analysed in the humanities and so has been the urban space. Even if these two strands of research have repeatedly overlapped, focusing on everyday life in the city seems to require much more than their collaboration.

Philosophy together with its potential to ask fundamental questions concerning aesthetics, environment, ethics, politics, society, technology, law etc. offers a good ground to consider the particular nexus between everyday life and the city as one of the major factors shaping the world.

Keynote Speakers:

Gabriela Świtek (University of Warsaw)

Carlos Vara Sanchez (Ca’ Foscari University)

Tba

Organizers: Philosophy of the City Research Group (PoTC) & University of Warsaw & Academy of Fine Arts in Warsaw

Submissions may address these or related questions:

- Urban landscape as life-forming factor

- Urban atmospheres shaping daily life and mundane activities/choices
- The role of social activism in creating urban identity
- “How to study everyday life/objects?”
- Urban lifestyles, consumer practices and preferences
- Is Lefebvre’s “Critique of Everyday Life” still relevant?
- Street art, graffiti, murals as everyday artforms
- Everyday practices of urban agriculture
- Everyday flows and processes in the city
- Maintenance, care and the urban infrastructure
- Quotidian architecture(s)
- Authenticity, performativity and urban cultures
- Everyday implications of gentrification
- Updating Ash Amin and Stephen Graham’s *The Ordinary City*
- Everyday social sensibilities in global metropolies/small towns/growing & shrinking cities
- Climate change, migration, and geopolitical anxieties as factors changing urban space/everyday experience
- Fantastic/utopian/antiutopian cities and their role in creating urban imagination
- Non-human city dwellers (actors) and their daily impact on the urban environment

Executive Committee: Adam Andrzejewski (University of Warsaw), Sanna Lehtinen (University of Helsinki), Mateusz Salwa (University of Warsaw), Michael Nagenborg (University of Twente), Piotr Szczepański (Academy of Fine Arts in Warsaw), Piotr Welk (Institute of Public Space Research)

Programme Committee: Executive Committee & external reviewers (tba)

Venue: The Institute of Public Space Research, Academy of Fine Arts in Warsaw

Timeline:

February 15, 2020 Deadline for the submission of abstracts

March 15, 2020 Notification of authors, opening of registration

April 15, 2020	Closing of registration
May 15, 2020	Circulation of draft papers among participants
June 15–17, 2020	The Summer Colloquium in Warsaw
October 15, 2020	Submission of papers to the Special Volume on “Everyday Life and the City” in <i>Eidos</i> Journal
Spring, 2021	Publication of the Special Volume

Submission of Abstracts:

Submit abstract (350 words) via EasyChair online form <https://easychair.org/my/conference?conf=potcsc2020> by 15th February 2020. Please indicate your main references (up to five). The references do not contribute to the word count.

Questions to Colloquium Chair Dr. Adam Andrzejewski, a.andrzejewski@uw.edu.pl

All abstracts will be reviewed by at least one member of the executive committee and one member of the programme committee.

To ensure an intense and in-depth discussion, we will accept a maximum of 20 papers. PhD candidates are encouraged to submit. Draft papers will be circulated one month ahead of the Colloquium. Each paper will be presented and discussed in a 60-minute time slot (30 minutes for presentation, 10 minutes for a formal response, and 20 minutes of discussion). Each participant will be asked to comment on one paper. A selection of papers will be published in the Special Volume on “Everyday Life and the City” in *Eidos* (<http://eidos.uw.edu.pl>) in Spring 2021.

Registration:

The conference registration fee of 200€ (150€ for PhD students) includes lunch and coffee and the evening reception on June 15. Opportunities for joint dinners will be provided, but dinner costs are not included with the conference registration. No refunds on registration fees.