Globalization Impact on Regional and Urban Statistics

Proposals for sessions are actively invited.

See the SCORUS web site for further updates on this conference and for opportunities to contribute to the ongoing discussion of urban and regional statistics.

Competing and Caring: Urban Research for European Urban Policy – Amsterdam, 14-17 September 2005

The “Competing and Caring” conference recently held in Amsterdam was a joint initiative of the SCORUS Europe, the City of Amsterdam (Department for Research and Statistics, O+S), and KCGS, the Dutch knowledge centre for larger towns and cities. Its aim was to assist cities with practically oriented research and concrete policy instruments to reinforce the economic and social strength of cities.

The conference provided cities with an overview of innovative instruments, practically oriented research and case studies that could contribute to an economically and socially stronger Europe. Particular attention was paid to the Urban Audit, which has collected fundamental statistics on 258 European towns and cities.

Standardised Interfaces for Geographical Analysis (pre-conference SCORUS workshop)
- Rainier Humbel, Swiss National Statistical Office
- Rutta Koskinen, Statistics Finland
- Mathieu Vliegen, Statistics Netherlands
- Andreas Gleich, Bureau for Statistics and Urban Research, Nuernberg

Policy Analysis of the Urban Audit I
- Berthold Feldmann and Teodora Brandmueller: Urban Audit – state of the art and possible analysis of data
- Marco Bontje – A comparative research between inventive cities with use of Urban Audit data
- Elsa Fontainha – Dynamics and patterns in 20 cities in 10 European countries

Best Practices: Economic Participation
- Scott Burnham – Creative cities
- Vladimíra Silhánková – Military area revival in the Czech Republic and municipal dwelling policy in towns
- Daniel Roos – Campus New West

Integration: the Lisbon Strategy and Urban Reality
- Simone Crok – Monitoring diversity and integration in Amsterdam
- Maria-Jose Peiro – European Civic Citizenship and Inclusion Index
- Henk van Waversen – The Lisbon Strategy and an Amsterdam neighbourhood’s reality

Policy Analysis of the Urban Audit II
- Lewis Dijkstra and Mikael Kekkonnen – Analysis of Urban Audit Data: some results
- Anca Carrington – Comparative Study of European Cities
- Mathieu Vliegen – The main findings on census related topics for the 10 Dutch Urban Audit cities
- Leila Lankinen – Results of Urban Audit for Finland

Knowledge Economy and Creativity I
- Jan van der Borg and Antonio Paolo Russo – The Impact of Culture on the Economic Development of European Cities
- Harry Schulman – The knowledge city – a comparative research about the meaning of the ICT sector
- Dave Carter – The creative city

Labour Migration and Economic Participation
- Han Entziner – Future Labour and Migration
- Albert van der Horst – Destination Europe, Immigration and integration in the European Union
- Franz-Joseph Kemper – Recent and Future Trends of Labour Migration to Germany

Different Definitions of Ethnicity and its Political Impact
- Harald Lederer – Ethnicity in German Migration and Integration Statistics
- Dev Virdee – The situation in Great Britain
- Maarten Alders – Classification of the population with a foreign background in the Netherlands

Implementation of Crime Reduction Programs at the Local Level: Experiences and Lessons Learned
- Marnix Eysink Smeets – Introduction on research models
- Jan Andersson – Successes and pitfalls in implementing the National Crime Prevention Programme
- Nick Tilley – Crime reduction – Local implementation of National Programmes

Young Migrants and Children of Migrants in the Urban Society
- Maurice Crul – Education and Labour Participation of Second Generation Migrants in European Cities
- Alexander Thamm and Michelle Feye – Experiences from the ‘Mitwirkung’ Programme for Youth Participation in Five German Cities

Science and Practice: Bridging the Gap
- Örs Szokolay – Policy driven research in Hungary
- Eric Ponthieu – Urban Research in FP7
- Claude Jacquier – Putting Towns and Cities on the European Union Map – A Challenge for Urban Researchers

Knowledge Economy and Creativity II
- Sako Mustier – Accommodating Creative knowledge: the need for inter-urban comparison
- Anne von Streit – Munich as Knowledge City – Key factors and political strategies

Best Practices: Youth in the City
- Raja Miah
- Anjo Clement – Vocational Education and Enterprise
- Bertil Nilsson – From social exclusion to social inclusion

We look forward to conference proceedings from this informative conference. See http://www.hetkenniscentrum.nl/conference/ for additional information.