SPAS II Shared Spaces for Innovation

Workshop from August 28th-30th, 2023

Organisers

Programme for Urban Ecological Planning at the Institute for Architecture and Planning & Department of Design at NTNU

Funding

Fremtidens Campus, https://www.ntnu.no/fremtidenscampus

Partners

Study Trondheim
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Information

www.ntnu-spas.net

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Venue

NTNU, Gløshaugen Campus, Skiboli (https://link.mazemap.com/Wx6LmJXy)

Target Groups

UEP first year Students (AAR4525, AAR5210)
UEP second year students (AAR5230 Self Programmed Class)
Students of Sociology
Everybody else is invited too! Feel free to drop in!

Problem

Even though policies, plans and research on the campus pay significant attention on innovation, sharing and creativity and on the role of spaces on NTNUs campus, those spaces remain subordinate and marginal.

Vision

The overall vision is to bring city and campus together by promoting public spaces as the centre of Campus development (and life and to stimulate a creative, inclusive, and sustainable NTNUs campus, through better quality shared spaces.

Aim

This workshop aims to describe and understand the situation of public spaces on NTNU's main campus at Gløshaugen in Trondheim.

Objectives

The primary objectives of SPAS II are:
- To describe the situation of public spaces on NTNU's main campus at Gløshaugen in Trondheim.
- To develop ideas for shared spaces on the future campus.
- To discuss the strengths, problems and potentials of shared campus spaces including experiences and feelings.
- To highlight aspects of individual and social welfare including diversity and inclusion.

The SPAS II secondary objectives are:
- To become familiar with relevant analytic and creative methodologies and tools as well as related concepts (e.g., public space in the 21 century, innovation, inclusion, tactical urbanism & placemaking, survey, ethnography/ observation, "strolology")
- To meet people and socialise.
- To mainstream the value and awareness on public spaces that are open for all.

Methods

SPAS II is a 2,5-day workshop with a modular design. It is open to all. Feel free to drop in whenever you like to participate. The workshop combines theory, discussions, fieldwork, debate, and dissemination activities. Most of all the workshop is also a training as you will learn to apply tools such as exploratory walks, a digital online survey (KOBO Tool), and the Place Game approach.

Time plan

Day 1 – Campus Pathways

Monday morning	Key Inputs on Public Space, Placemaking and SPAS II Campus Project
Monday afternoon	Keynote by Aksel Tjora on "Chat zones and the physical community".
	Campus analysis through "Strolling"
	(Optional: Excursion Drønnigens Gate)

Day 2 – Campus Places

Tuesday morning	Key inputs on Participation, Gender & Inclusion
Tuesday afternoon	Campus analysis through the "Place Game"

Day 3 – Campus Observations

Wednesday morning	Presentation & Discussion

Timetable

Monday August 28th	*Day I: Moves and Pathways*	What	Who
9.15	Welcome	Introduction	Peter and Milagros
9.30	Keynote Input I	A: Public space for all! Introduction to the right to the city and participatory placemaking	Milagros Hurtig
10.00	Break		All
10.15	Discussion		All
10.30	Keynote Input II	Which type of spaces does the new NTNU's campus need to promote quality experience and innovation? (Background of SPAS I)	Peter Gotsch
10.45	Discussion		
11.00	Break		All
11.15	Keynote Input III	Linear ways of studying the city – An introduction	Peter Gotsch (tbc)
11.45	Discussion		All
12.00	Lunch break		
13.15	Input Lecture IV (Public Space)	"Chat zones and physical community"	Aksel Tjora, Professor in Sociology, NTNU
14.00	Discussion		All
14.15	Break		
14.30	Activity	Exploratory cross campus walks	
15.30	Discussion & Wrap Up		
16.00	Excursion	Pettersplass (Drønningens Gate)	Meeting at Drønningens Gate 39 at 16.30
Ca 17.30	End of day		
Tuesday August 29th	**Day II: Campus Places**		
9.15	Welcome		Hosts
9.25	Keynote Input I	Insights from a gender sensitive approach to planning	Milagros Hurtig
9.45	Discussion		All
10.00	Break		
10.15	Keynote Input II	Tools for participatory placemaking	Andrea Valladares
10.45	Discussion		
11.00	Break		
11.15	Introduction to Activity II	Place Game	Peter, Milagros

12.00	Lunch		All
13.00	Activity II	Place Game	All
14.30	Break		All
14.45	Work on Presentation	Place Game	Groups
15.45	Campus wide assessment		Groups
16.00	End of day		
Wednesday August 30th			
Ca 9.30-11.00 (tbc)	Presentations	Places and the campus	All & Guests

A follow-up exhibition of the results is planned.

Speakers

Peter Gotsch
Peter is Professor for sustainable urban development at the Program of Urban Ecological Planning at NTNU. Based on his interest in the "DNA" of cities, people, and public spaces he started the projects on Shared Spaces for innovation as part of NTNUs Future Campus initiative. https://www.ntnu.edu/employees/peter.a.gotsch

Milagros Hurtig
Milagros is a PhD candidate at the department for Design a PhD candidate at the design department of NTNU researching about critical placemaking for inclusion in city making. She has extensive experience working in participatory processes for urban regeneration and is a researcher in the field of citizen participation, placemaking and creative methods with a gender focus. She has performed as a project manager of place-making strategies, community art, and urban design projects. In Buenos Aires, she has been part of the Urbanismo Vivo collective, she is also co-founder of the collective "urban.femina".

Aksel Tjora
Aksel is Professor of sociology with a focus on social interaction and societal development and research methods. Moreover, he is the chair of the Sociology Clinic, which develops "sociological services" in collaboration with businesses outside academia. He is also an active voice in public debate. https://www.ntnu.edu/employees/aksel.tjora

Andrea Valladares
Andreas is a PhD candidate at the Institute of Design at NTNU. She is a graduate from the Creative Sustainability Programme at Aalto University. Among others she founded the Social Innovation Lab – PERPENDICULAR – to support innovation in the public sector and create spaces of dialogue, participation, and innovation through co-creation.

Support

Sara Hafezi

Sara is a research assistant working on the SPAS project. She is a master's graduate from the Urban Ecological Planning program at NTNU. Her expertise is urban mobility, public space design and evaluation, urban inclusivity, participatory processes, and stakeholder engagement. She is a co-founder and former board member of the GreenSpace group under the students' association, Arkitektstudentenes Broderskap at NTNU, which aims to create a dialogue space for international and local architecture and planning students and professionals to share experiences.

Marcela Moraga Zarate

Marcela holds a background in architecture and urban design, complemented by a master's degree in urban Ecological Planning from NTNU. Her expertise extends to practical involvement in participatory processes, where she contributes to co-designing public spaces that foster inclusive and vibrant community interactions. She's been an integral part of the SPAS project from the first version and has been collaborating with the Institute of Architecture and Planning since 2022.

Vija Viese

Vija is an urban designer and practice-led researcher, currently working as a Research Associate at the Urban Ecological Planning program at NTNU. She is an active member of the Advisory Board on Public Space for [City Space Architecture](#), a non-profit organization studying and sharing public space culture. In this role she contributes to the creation of [Public Space Academy](#) - the first, free, interdisciplinary educational program on the urban complexity built around public space, supported by UN-Habitat.