

An interdisciplinary five year joint project in  
Philosophy & Architecture

Kick-off week: 19th to 23th Sept. 2016

1st SUMMER SCHOOL  
Inter-University Centre Dubrovnik, Croatia  
**„Social Inequalities and Cities“**

**Course description:** The course includes perspectives of social and political philosophers and architects on the issue of social inequality in cities and intimately related issues such as people's quality of life and wellbeing. The assumed notion of cities contains an institutional component (a jurisdiction issue), a spatial component (an architectural issue of housing, density of buildings and citizens, a continuous district of settlement), and a cultural component (a particular state of mind which we call "Civicism"). The main aim of the course is to discuss a proposed model of measuring inequality in European cities (as distinguished from states), and then to suggest principles for policies meant to reduce urban inequality in cities in which the majority of people reside, and some of which enjoy budgets larger than most countries' budgets. At the course the lecturers will argue for bottom-up moral and political reasoning that avoids both full paternalism and full populism while combining objective and subjective approaches. We will discuss the view that philosophy and architecture should begin with understanding the challenges to policy makers and architects (as creators of the cities) from which they should derive to develop and offer the models for improving the general quality of life. Special accent will be put on the developing the Dynamic Public Reflective Equilibrium as the optimal research methodology aimed to reduce political, economic, gender and other

**Participants:**

The leaders of the first course are  
Prof. Jonathan Wolff (University College London and Oxford University)  
Prof. Avner de Shalit (Hebrew University Jerusalem)  
Snježana Prijčić-Samaržija (University of Rijeka)

Other teachers and lecturers include  
professors and assistant professors of philosophy and architecture:  
Petar Bojanic (University of Rijeka, University of Belgrade)  
Jörg Gleiter (Technical University Berlin)  
Vladan Djokic (University of Belgrade)  
Idis Turato (University of Zagreb)  
Sandra Meireis (Technical University Berlin)  
Zoran Lazović (University of Belgrade)

This summer school is open to graduate students in all stages of their studies. Students will be asked to read texts in advance, present presentations about a topic which will be agreed upon with the course directors, and actively participate in the meetings. The students will also take part in a supervised two hours research project in Dubrovnik. Findings of this research will be later analyzed at the classroom.

**For further information:**

<http://cas.uniri.hr/course-philosophy-and-architecture/>  
<http://www.architekturtheorie.tu-berlin.de/>

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