

URBANITY WEEK

Emergent cities

Conflicting claims and the politics of informality

Symposium

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Geijersalen, Engelska Parken (House 6-1023)

Thunbergsvägen 3 P, Uppsala

More than ever, cities are sites of conflicting demands on space, resources and membership. In the politics of the urban space, structures of informality, legality and illegality are used by official authorities to plan and define legitimate claims and the space of the city. However, there are also different forms of counter-politics. This symposium addresses the various processes through which marginalized people are creating space in the city; sometimes manifesting an emergent insurgence that challenges existing hierarchies and whereby people claim new forms for urban and national membership.

Keynote lectures

James Holston, Department of Anthropology, University of California, Berkeley
The Right to the City and Urban Citizenship

Ananya Roy, Department of City and Regional Planning Education, University of California, Berkeley
Making Postcolonial Futures: The "Slum-Free" Cities of the Asian Century

Edgar Pieterse, African Centre for Cities, University of Cape Town
Knowledge Imperatives of Southern Urbanisms

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