

programme summary

E¹⁸ CITIES & JURIES FORUM
Lisbon (PT) 16—18/10/2025

- Part of the program produced with the Faculty of Architecture of Lisbon
- Parts of the program produced by European with European 18 partners

FRIDAY OCT. 17

Lecture + E18 contexts/ideas

09:30—10:15 room B build. 1

Opening lecture:

Cities and Rivers EN/FR/ES/DE

by Iñaki Alday, Partner, aldayjover architecture and landscape, Dean and Koch Chair, Tulane School of Architecture and Built Environment

10:15—10:45 room Cubo build. 2

Coffee break

10:45—12:45

E18 contexts/ideas' evaluation

Juries and sites representatives points of view, 2 Working Groups

WG1: EN/FR/ES

Inducing a Second Life

room A build. 1

WG2: EN/FR/ES/DE

Creating New Urban Relationships

room B build. 1

13:00—13:15 room Cubo build. 2

Welcome

President of European Europe Manuel Blanco + Dean of Faculty of Architecture Lisbon Jorge Mealha

13:15—14:30 room Cubo build. 2

Lunch

14:30—16:30

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WG3: EN/FR/ES

Dealing with Water

room A build. 1

WG4: EN/FR/ES/DE

Reactivating Soils

room B build. 1

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WG5: EN/FR/ES

Regenerating Landscapes

room A build. 1

WG6: EN/FR/ES/DE

Promoting open Neighbourhoods

room B build. 1

Free evening

SATURDAY OCT. 18

Lisbon visits and projects-processes
LANGUAGES: EN/FR/ES

09:00—09:45 room A build. 1

Lecture 2:

"Lisbon resourced"

by a portuguese expert of the landscape, urban and architectural recent evolutions of Lisbon

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Lecture 3:

Architecture of Reuse

by Kristiaan Borret, architect, urbanist, former Bouwmeester Brussels Capital Region

15:00—16:45 room A build. 1

European project-processes Part.1— How to pass from winning ideas to processes of implementation?

Presentation and discussion

01/ Interweaving scales

02/ Living together

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Coffee break

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European project-processes Part.2

03/ Articulating landscapes

04/ Empowering traces

18:30—19:00 room A build. 1

Closing of the forum

by president of European Manuel Blanco

20:00—00:00 to be defined

Party

THURSDAY OCT. 16

E18 theme re-sourcing seen by students FA Lisbon
LANGUAGE: EN

What New Re-Sourcing for the Project?

room Cubo build. 2

16:00—16:30

Opening of the exhibition

of the answers by the students to the call for ideas around the question "What re-sourcing for the project?"

by Jorge Mealha, Dean of the FA and Manuel Blanco, President of European Europe

16:30—18:30

Debate with the students

Moderated by Carlos Arroyo, architect, teacher (ES) and Chris Younès, philosopher, researcher (FR)

Members of European Scientific Committee

18:30—20:00 room Cubo build. 2

Welcome drink

WHAT NEW RE-SOURCING FOR THE PROJECT?

On the occasion of the European 18 Forum, EUROPAN in association with FA Lisbon proposed an exchange with the students on the session's theme "RE-SOURCING" by asking them a question:

"For you in the face of climate changes and the decline in biodiversity, what do you consider to be the levers for resourcing architectural, urban, and landscape projects?"

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Opening lecture: Cities and Rivers

by Iñaki Alday, Partner, aldayjover architecture and landscape
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Water —excess, scarcity or pollution— is now part of the XXIst century agenda for architecture, together with other natural dynamics, social dynamics, and flows of energy, materials and resources. A small project in a little town in Spain was one of the first explorations in the design of floods in architecture and public space: in how to harmonize the ever changing conditions and the stability of the built form.

10:15-10:45 Coffee Break

room Cubo build. 2

E18 CONTEXTS / IDEAS' EVALUATION

Juries and sites representatives points of view

2 Working groups in parallel allows site representatives and jury members —around a small group of sites— to discuss emblematic ideas among the preselected projects.

They compare them and see in which ways these projects can regenerate their milieus.

These shared analyses are not evaluations, but exchanges and comparisons at a European level of regenerative strategies proposed by the competitors.

room A build. 1 EN/FR/ES

10:45—12:45

WG1: Inducing a Second Life

The “multiple heritage” of derelict buildings provide a precious source for a larger urban transformation, which is launched by interventions that operate first on the scale of the site itself, integrating social and cultural traces in the sites' geographical and physical rehabilitation and enables an upscaling of the transformation's impact. It can induce a second life whose urban energy radiates far beyond its physical limits.

Moderated by: Bernd Vlay, Scientific Committee & Dimitri Szuter, Technical Committee

With the representatives of the cities of: Amersfoort-Flint (NL) – Blagnac (FR) – Felanitx-Es Sindicat (ES) – Getafe (ES) – Lathi (FI) – Oviedo (ES) – Riez (FR) – Roa (NO) – Trondheim (NO)

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WG2: Creating New Urban Relationships

A missing layer of urbanity is added on a territory with underlying complexities. In all these large sites, the question is how to inhabit them, how to relate to them, and how to add a human ecosystem while negotiating the pros and cons of the existing complexity. It may involve rethinking interrupted urban developments, healing the scars left or created by old and new infrastructures, regenerating substandard housing or brownfield sites, and reconsidering rivers or former agricultural lands.

Moderated by: Carlos Arroyo, Scientific Committee & Nicolás Rueda, Technical Committee

With the representatives of the cities of: Amersfoort-Amicitia (NL) – Amersfoort-Kop van Isselt (NL) – Amersfoort-Stadhuisplein (NL) – Brignoles (FR) – Grand Nancy (FR) – Luzern (CH) – Malmö (SE) – Nailloux (FR) – Navalmaral de la Mata (ES) – Zagreb (HR)

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WG3: Dealing with Water

In the context of global warming, living in and revitalizing inhabited environments through water is a key factor for renewal—addressing the challenges of adapting to risks (flooding, marine submersion, coastal retreat, drought, etc.) while restoring ecological systems to enhance quality of life, health, and everyday well-being.

Moderated by: Chris Younès, European Scientific Committee & Céline Bodart, European Technical Committee

With the representatives of the cities of: Fumel (FR) – Jullouville (FR) – La Nive (FR) – Lisboa (PT) – Mantes-La-Jolie (FR) – Turku (FI)

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14:30—16:30

WG4: Reactivating Soils

Within this family of sites, the potential of soils can guide the evolution of a place through processes of regeneration, intensification, or transformation. The biological dimension of available land can foster new ecological and social relationships, enabling interactions between organisms for mutual benefit. From the horizon to the scale of microorganisms, what is the capacity of soils to sustain biodiversity, provide ecosystem services, and ensure continuity across the territory?

Moderated by: Miriam García, Scientific Committee & Nicolás Rueda, Technical Committee

With the representatives of the cities of: Eslöv (SE) – Genève (CH) – Karlstad (SE) – Regensburg (DE) – Speichersdorf (DE) – St. Gallen (CH)

16:30—17:00 Coffee Break room Cubo build. 2

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17:00 - 19:00

WG5: Regenerating Landscapes

How can we design processes and projects for the revaluation of landscapes that emphasise the interdependencies and ecodependencies of resources (natural, cultural, productive) and their territories? Landscape regeneration can serve as a tool of mediation between residential areas, facilities, obsolete infrastructures, and territories undergoing transformation (or even at risk) due to the effects of climate change. It is an invitation to reconsider local resources in a regenerative way, supporting a healthier environment for both humans and non-humans.

Moderated by: Miriam García, Scientific Committee & Céline Bodart, Technical Committee

With the representatives of the cities of: Amersfoort-Koppelbrug (NL) – Barcelona-La Font del Gos (ES) – Bregenz-Hard-Fußbach-Höchst (AT) – Dembeni (FR) – Nome (NO) – Polignano a mare (IT) – Santa-Pola (ES)

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WG6: Promoting open Neighbourhoods

How can urban areas and enclaves be transformed into open neighbourhoods? How can we create the smallest urban unit of proximity, exchange, and governance—made up of both humans and more-than-humans? Open urban neighbourhoods can foster citizenship and accommodate diverse temporalities of inhabitation. They can serve as pivotal sites for initiating and implementing social and ecological change, with effects that ripple across the city, making them valuable contributors to the European Green Transition.

Moderated by: Socrates Stratis, Scientific Committee & Dimitri Szuter, Technical Committee

With the representatives of the cities of: Amersfoort-Otto Scheltus (NL) – Barcelona-La Verneda (ES) – Caen (FR) – Clermont-Ferrand (FR) – Madrid (ES) – Miramas (FR) – Romainville (FR) – Uppsala (SE) – Vitoria Gasteiz (ES)

Free evening

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WELCOME

President of European Europe Manuel Blanco
+ Dean of Faculty of Architecture Lisbon Jorge Mealha

13:15-14:30 LUNCH room Cubo build. 2

LECTURE 2

“LISBON RESOURCED”

+ URBAN/ARCHITECTURAL VISITS

Lisbon has been making an effort to ‘future-proof’ the city. Given Portugal’s recent experiences with prolonged and severe droughts, its Wastewater Reuse Plan aims to use over 1 million cubic metres of recycled wastewater by 2030 to irrigate urban parks.

Guaranteeing reliable water distribution is a key investment opportunity for Lisbon in the coming years.

Another important initiative is the CHOOSE TO EVOLVE: 2030 measures for 2030 campaign, which aims to adopt a new urban model for institutions, businesses and public bodies focused on mitigating climate change? It includes measures such as eliminating single-use plastics, installing solar energy equipment and providing employees with sustainable mobility solutions. So far, over 200 institutions, businesses and public bodies have committed to concrete actions that will further the city’s green objectives.

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EUROPAN PROJECTS-PROCESSES

European created a digital platform to showcase 50 projects—processes from recent sessions—analyzed and compared to build knowledge about the post-competition phase, when a winning idea evolves into a production process across different scales. On the occasion of the forum, several emblematic processes are presented and become objects of a debate with the site representatives of E18 who will be engaged after the competition in a diversity of processes of implementation.

How to pass from winning ideas to processes of implementation?

A presentation and discussion about recent and emblematic European project-processes in European will be launched by a keynote speech of Kristiaan Borret (former Bouwmeester of the Brussels Capital Region) about urban transformation and reusing practices in Brussels during last decade. A total of eight implementation processes from European 10 to European 16 will be presented and compared in an open discussion focused on two different levels: the strategic and the operational level. Also several sites from European 18 will be connected with these processes, as having similar potentials, to learn together how ideas can be transformed in realities, involving site representatives of E18.

Kristiaan Borret will take on the role of Grand Témoin in the discussion.

Moderated by: Bernd Vlay, Scientific Committee & Julio de la Fuente, Technical Committee

15:00—16:45 Part I room A build. I EN/FR/ES

Implementation processes in discussion:

01/ Interweaving scales:

Which project-processes to bring together XL and S scale, and vice versa?

E10 Vienna (AT) / Arenas Basabe Palacios Arquitectos

E13 St Brieuc (FR) / Atelier Iris Chervet

02/ Living together:

Which project-processes to enrich a residential program?

E15 Lasarte-Oria (ES) / Alex Etxeberria, Eduardo Landia

E15 Rotterdam Kop Dakpark (NL) / H3o architects

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17:15—18:30 Part 2 room A build. I EN/FR/ES

03/ Articulating landscapes:

Which project-processes to explore the potential of different soils?

E13 Charleroi-Gilly (BE) / CENTRAL office for architecture and urbanism

E14 Besançon (FR) / Altitude 35

04/ Empowering traces:

Which project-processes to care about post-industrial heritage?

E15 Oliva (ES) / Terrario Arquitectura

E16 La Porte du Hainaut (FR) / Vis-à-Vis + Kollektif

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Party