

## **Call for Collaborators and Abstracts**

The Philosophy of the City Research Group (PotC) is organizing a virtual global event:

Philosophy of the City Now: Around the World in 24 Hours

https://www.utwente.nl/en/potc2021/

### About the event

The conference will take place fully online on May 17, 2021, UTC 00:00–23:59. While only the most dedicated might be willing to join us for 24 hours, we hope that everybody will have a chance to participate in the event for a while in accordance with your local time zone. In addition, we would like to facilitate collaboration in our global community by organizing the event in a jointly manner. Since this event is organized by time zones, it means that Johannesburg and Amsterdam will share the same conference time. Also, we aim to create overlap in the time zones in this program so that it will cross continents, so for instance London and New York will share a session.

We will have one main video stream with lectures and panel discussion, which will form the center stage and the backbone of the event. We will leave it to our co-hosts to add additional (hybrid) elements to the event.

## Theme and scope

We especially invite scholars to reflect on the role of the city in the current pandemic and how our relationships to cities may change in a Post-COVID situation. This may include but is certainly not limited to topics such as urban resilience, architecture and public health, and sustainable development in time of crisis.

But the conference will also be open to non-Covid related research. We particularly encourage submissions from graduate students and early-career researchers.

Presentations should be approx. 20 minutes long. Q&A will be enabled via chat function or according to the moderator's instructions. By default, all presentations should be in English, but we are open for variations.



We provide you with:

- An opportunity to meet Philosophers of the City around the globe
- A platform to present your recent research
- Discuss and communicate ideas relating to the Covid-19 pandemic in an online setting

Submit your anonymized abstract of max. 300 words (docx, otd, or pdf format) by March 15, 2021 via EasyChair:

### https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=potc2021online

Please include 5 keywords and add your preferred time zone of presentation at the beginning of the abstract. We will ask you about your career stage in the registration form. If you self-identify as junior researcher, we might be able to provide you with more extensive feedback on your submission.

### Timeline

- Deadline for abstracts: March 15, 2021
- Decisions: April 1, 2021
- Confirmation of participation: April 15, 2021
- Release of the schedule: 30 April, 2021

## **Collaborators and hosts**

We are also looking for local hosts, who take care of the event in their local time-zone by

- Reaching out to scholars in their region,
- Acting as moderators while the event is in their time-zone,
- Supporting us in the review process, and
- Help us in setting up a suitable infrastructure.

Local hosts should be willing to chair and facilitate the meeting for 4-8 hours in their own time zone and run a Zoom meeting (as a backup for the global stream). If you are interested in serving as a local host or have questions about how to approach being a local host, you can also send us questions. We will support you in this endeavor.

Contact for local hosts: m.h.nagenborg@utwente.nl



# **Organization Committee:**

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