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FROM SUBURB TO CITY

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INTRODUCTION

The process of suburbanisation seems to be advancing unstopably. A faceless, anonymous mesh of settlements is spreading itself around the old core cities. Do we really want to continue this destruction of one of our most important resources, the landscape, and of one of our most important cultural achievements, the city? The International Summer Academy Zurich poses a central question: how can we condense the agglomerations to form a city, while preserving landscape spaces?

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Visualisation of the City of Glatt in 2060 (Architects Group Krokodil)

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Well-known architects from Switzerland and other countries will examine the themes of agglomeration/city/landscape using the example of the Zurich metropolitan area. The vision "Glatt - the City" produced by the Architects Group Krokodil for a new city near Zurich provides the conceptual basis. The two-week-long International Summer Academy Zurich is directed at students and those embarking upon their professional careers in the areas of architecture/urban planning and landscape architecture from Switzerland and abroad. Each studio decides upon its own particular task in

conducting a critical examination of the urban design proposal "Glatt – the City" and spotlights relevant processes in the development of a city. Under the title "FROM SUBURB TO CITY" an examination is made of the various factors that can contribute to the development of a city of real quality. How does a city arise? What is the relationship between old and new? What defines a city? How can identity be created? What role does the architectural project play? The event will be accompanied by a broad range of public lectures and discussions involving architects, planners, economists, politicians and representatives of public authorities.

LECTURERS

BeL ASSOCIATES
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JOHNSTONMARKLEE
NLÉ
PÉRIPHÉRIQUES
SADAR + VUGA
TOPOTEK 1
URBAN-THINK TANK
VMX ARCHITECTS

SPEAKERS*

Marc Angéil
André Bideau
Christ & Gantenbein
Roger Diener
Angelus Eisinger
Bart Lootsma
Urs Primas
Andreas Ruby
Christian Schmid
Alain Thierstein
and others



Identities and links of the area

BACKGROUND

“Creating a city, preserving the landscape!”

Even if we tend to define the city in more phenomenological terms and understand it as the appearance of a continuous settlement area, the city does not stop at its boundaries. The Architects Group Krokodil postulates that Glattal should be



Components of spatial planning: green zones and community areas

THESIS

The study “Glatt – the City” produced by the Architects Group Krokodil for a new city near Zurich provides the conceptual basis for the International Summer Academy Zurich.

Based on this study, each lecturer decides upon his own particular task in conducting a critical examination of the urban design proposal “Glatt – the City”.

To allow a more precise examination of the specific characteristics of the individual areas of the Glattal, four outlined intervention areas, are defined.

Each lecturer is to develop his own student project for a specific intervention area.



Plan of the City of Glatt in 2060 (Architects Group Krokodil)

read not as a peripheral metropolitan region made up of individual communities but as an emerging urban body. This reading produces a proposal for even more intensive access systems and a significant increase in density.

The former boundary areas between different communities are read as new development areas, the role of green and landscape spaces is reinterpreted and strengthened.

The new city is not based on the principle of the tabula rasa but follows an incremental logic. Existing and new are placed in a new relationship to each other and woven together like a collage. In an overall view a vision develops of a dense, polycentric, urban and sustainable city in the Glattal.

The core message of “Glatt - the City” is a plea to preserve difference: “city remains city and country remains country!”



The place of event will be the ONA building of the ETH Zurich.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Applications:

20 January – 30 March 2012
Decision on participants selected:
06 April 2012
Payment of participation fee: 06
April – 27 April 2012
Decision on substitutes selected: 04
May 2012
Payment of participation fee by
substitutes:
04 May – 25 May 2012

Participants:

- Master students/ Graduates (Graduation 2010 or later) of architecture, landscape architecture or urban planning
- Capacity of 120 students max.

Documentation required for application:

Completed application form and selection of projects (pdf, ca. 4 pages, max. 8MB).

Language:

The tuition language is English

Participation fee:

Due to a successful fundraising we were able to lower the price to **990 CHF**.

ECTS points:

Students of the ETH Zurich receive 3 ECTS points for attending the event. The ETH will issue a certificate of participation for each attendant as well as a confirmation of the number of ECTS points for students from other universities.

Publication:

A publication of the results of the International Summer Academy Zurich has been budgeted and is currently at the planning stage.

Equipment:

Students should bring computers with them.
WLAN is freely available.

Liability:

The Architects Group Krokodil as well as D-ARCH of the ETH Zurich disclaim any liability for any damage to persons or property that may occur during the event. The participants are responsible for arranging their own insurance.

Place of Event:

The International Summer Academy Zurich will be held in the ONA building of the ETH Zurich. This refurbished industrial building provides the space for the 10 design studios as well as for lectures, discussions, model building and a bar and breakfast service.

Visa requirements

(for non-EU citizens only):
Each participant who requires a visa for Switzerland is responsible for obtaining this visa in good time.

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