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Letter from the President and EXCO

Dear PLPR members,

We hope this fourth PLPR newsletter finds you well. We are proud to present to you our new website (www.plpr-association.org). Over the past months we, but in particularly Thomas Hartmann, have been working on this new website that is – we believe – clearly arranged and user-friendly! We would like to invite you to take a look. In addition to the new website we have also launched a new mailing list. The service of the former one will be ended by the end of this year. The purpose of the list is that members can distribute relevant and interesting news to other members. We will also use the list to distribute.

In this newsletter you'll find information on upcoming events, like the fifth PLPR conference in Edmonton, May 2011. The organization of the Edmonton conference is in full swing. A bundle of abstracts has been submitted already and we expect many more. Abstracts can be submitted till December 15th. We look forward to receive yours!

Last month, some of us have met each other at the ACSP Conference in Minneapolis. PLPR members have presented their work in several sessions throughout the conference. The presentations showed the range of research in relation to planning, law and property rights. Other opportunities to meet PLPR members will be during the PLPR Session at the World Planning Schools Congress in Perth, July 2011, or our sixth conference in Belfast, 2012.

Please feel free to submit relevant items for the newsletter, such as announcements of your important new publications, prizes and events. We will include them in our Members' News section. Also, you may submit your publications to our new web site!

Kind regards, also on behalf of the other ExCo members: Ben Davy (Vice President & Past Local Conference Chair), Thomas Hartmann (Secretary General), Michelle Oren (PhD Coordinator), Eran Kaplinsky (Edmonton Conference Chair), Dick Norton (North America Liaison) and John Sheehan (Pacific Rim Liaison),

Leonie Janssen-Jansen

President - International Academic Association on Planning, Law and Property Rights

PLPR Edmonton 2011

Fifth Conference, Edmonton, Canada, 26-28 May 2011

Abstract submission will close on December 15th 2010!

PLPR invites you to join our next **conference at the Faculty of Law, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada**. The conference sessions will provide an exciting opportunity for scholars from around the world to present innovative research and engage in interdisciplinary exchange related to the theme of the Association – the study of the connections, in the broadest sense, between planning and law. We invite papers on all topics related to law and planning, including all legal aspects of urban, regional, and rural planning; land use regulation; property rights, expropriation and compensation; housing; and public-private cooperation. We encourage submissions from researchers working in such areas as GIS, real estate, economics, and natural resources. PhD students are particularly welcome! All abstracts will be peer-reviewed.

Local organizing committee: Eran Kaplinsky, Russell Brown

Colleagues interested in organizing special theme sessions and/or roundtables should discuss their proposals directly with the local organizing committee.

For more information visit the Conference website: www.law.ualberta.ca/plpr/2011. Conference email: plpr2011@law.ualberta.ca

Further Events

PLPR session at the World Planning Schools Congress

World Planning Schools Congress 4-8 July 2011- Planning's Future- Futures Planning: Planning in an Era of Global (Un)Certainty and Transformation 2011 Perth Convention Centre, Western Australia

Track 15: Planning Law, Administration and Property Rights

Visit: www.wpsc2011.com.au

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Track Overview

Almost all countries have laws, regulations and government institutions that determine development rights in land: What tracts of land may be developed, for what use and when? All too often, implementation of venerable goals fails due to an insufficient understanding of how planning relates to property rights in each country and to its legal and administrative spheres. Planning laws everywhere must handle conflicts in values and interests, often very deep ones. In recent years, planning law faces additional challenges that go beyond the domestic domains into the global arena. Can the laws and institutions that govern planning and property right meet the challenges posed by climate change and by the mandate of sustainability? Are planning laws and property rights geared to handle the rising conflicts over distributive justice issues among the world's regions?

This track (now in its 12th year at AESOP and its third at the World Planning Schools Congress) aims to provide a platform for planning academics to share their recent research on the broad range of topics where planning, law and property rights interact. If you are researching any of the following, or related, topics, we welcome your submission of an abstract: Climate change and property rights: are they on a collision path?

- Private property rights in land and buildings: expropriation, compensation, land
- readjustment, taxation of land values, transfer or development rights, customary private
- rights.
- Public property rights: “the commons”, land for public services, the tension between private
- and public rights in property, customary collective rights and informal planning systems.
- Land use regulation and controls: zoning, building permits, agreements with developers,
- “exactions” or “planning gain”, regulation of open space and natural resources, design and
- historic-building regulation etc.
- Statutory planning systems – analysis and evaluation: the roles of statutory planning
- institutions, relationship between central control and local governments, public participation
- procedures and the law, etc.
- Statutory plans: How laws structure plans differently in degree of legal force, contents,
- scope, time frame, format, and rules for review.
- Papers may look at the general theory of planning and law or investigate particular issues,
- focusing either on a particular country or town, or cross-nationally.

All contributors are encouraged to remember that conference participants come from many countries with a variety of legal and planning systems and different conceptions of property rights. Authors should make the legal structures and procedures as transparent as possible.

The track accepts proposals for: (i) Oral Presentation with full paper (peer review); (ii) Oral Presentation with full paper (non peer review); (iii) Poster Presentation; (iv) Specially convened sessions –(a) academic only; (b) policy research only; and (c) academic and policy research; and (v) Roundtable/Panel Discussions.

Colleagues interested in holding specially convened sessions and/or roundtables should discuss their proposals directly with the Track Co-Chairs.

Sixth Conference, Belfast, Northern Ireland, 2012, early spring

The sixth PLPR conference will be held at the School of the Built Environment, University of Ulster, Belfast/Jordanstown. More information (including the call for papers) will follow soon. Greg Lloyd and Deborah Peel will be our hosts.

New Website

www.plpr-association.org

We are very happy to announce our new website, hosted by the TU Dortmund. We would like to invite you to take a look!



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Law is an essential element of planning. Statutory law, as interpreted by the courts, defines planning powers, the planning process, and the mandatory elements of binding development plans. Although the law often attributes a wide margin of discretion to the planning authority, it also limits planning powers for the protection of individual rights.

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Mailing list

Join our new mailing list!

The purpose of the list is to distribute relevant and interesting news within our association. This newsletter will also be distributed in that list.

The functioning is very easy. If you want to send a message to the PLPR community, send the e-mail to list@plpr-association.org (you have to be subscribed to send a message!). Every member of the group will then receive the message.

If you want to subscribe or unsubscribe the list, please follow the instructions at www.plpr-association.org.

Members who have subscribed the former list will receive an automated invitation for the new list, which they have to confirm.

Members' news

- **An illustrated booklet** with the highlights of the Dortmund conference was published by Ben Davy, Thomas Hartmann, Gabi Zimmermann, Heinz Kobs and Kathrina Schmidt, in cooperation with session chairs, key note speakers, and ExCo members. The booklet can be downloaded at:

[http://www.plpr.tu-dortmund.de/ Downloads/2010 PLPR HIGHLIGHTS.pdf](http://www.plpr.tu-dortmund.de/Downloads/2010_PLPR_HIGHLIGHTS.pdf)

PLPR members are encouraged to send us announcements of major new publications and events!