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(11:00-13:00) Session 1: Making Claims, politics of the everyday

Discussant: Shahid Vawda (Wits School of Social Sciences)

Chloé Buire, Post-Doctoral Fellow, Wits School of Architecture and Planning / CUBES, '(Un)claimed rights in Luanda'

Sylvia Croese, (2nd year) PhD candidate, African Doctoral Academy, Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology, Stellenbosch University, 'City governance in post-war Angola: what role for the party? The case of residents' committees in Zango (Luanda)'

Laura Drivdal, PhD Candidate, Center of Criminology, Faculty of Law, UCT, 'The formation of neighbourhood politics in informal settlements: Negotiation of committee models and informal leadership'

Obvious Katsaura, PhD Candidate; Wits School of Architecture and Planning, 'Socio-spatial politics in community security governance: Insights from Johannesburg'

Li Pernegger, PhD Candidate: NRF SARChI Development Planning and Modelling, Wits School of Architecture and Planning, 'City of Strife: Early insights about agonist service delivery in Johannesburg'

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(14:00-15:30) Session 2: Provincialising world cities, worlding urban theory

Discussant: Edgar Pieterse (African Centre for Cities, UCT)

Margot Rubin, PhD Candidate, Wits School of Architecture and Planning/Political Studies, 'The Bad Buildings Programme: the World Class City Hegemony at Work'

Sarah Charlton, PhD Candidate, PhD Candidate, Department of Town and Regional Planning, University of Sheffield; Wits School of Architecture and Planning, 'The state and 'seeing': RDP housing in Johannesburg'

Siân Butcher, Doctoral Candidate, Dept. of Geography, University of Minnesota, Visiting Researcher, School of Architecture and Planning, University of the Witwatersrand, 'Thinking debt and property, spaces and subjects in the postapartheid city: an emergent ethnography of the affordable mortgage market'

Nqobile Sybil Malaza, PhD Candidate, Wits School of Architecture and Planning, Urban, Regional and Development Planning, 'A verdict on the pursuit for urban development in South Africa: a planner's reflection on Johannesburg'

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(16:00-17:30) Session 3: Political ecologies and economies of informality

Discussant: Claire Benit-Gbaffou (CUBES, Wits School of Architecture and Planning)

Potsiso Phasha, Masters completed: Wits School of Architecture and Planning; Gauteng City-Region Observatory (GCRO), 'Insights from the out/sides: street skaters and artists in Johannesburg'

Rike Sitas, PhD Candidate, African Centre for Cities, School of Architecture and Planning, UCT, 'Dlala Indima ('play your part'): park jams and participation: graffiti-led regeneration and insurgent citizenship'

Laura Wenz, PhD Candidate at the University of Münster (Germany) and Visiting Scholar: the African Centre for Cities, UCT, 'The not-so-fast policy – Investing Global Policy Mobility through Cape Town's designation as World Design Capital 2014'

Arwen Prendergast Gumbao, PhD student in Urban Planning, Escola Tecnica Superior d'Arquitectura de Barcelona, ETSAB -Universitat Politecnica de Catalunya UPC, 'Maputo: Looking for an urban identity. The collective social-spatial morphology '

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(9:00-10:30) Session 4: Urban Infrastructure in the making: actors, scales and stakes

Discussant: Alison Todes (Wits School of Architecture and Planning)

Vanessa Melo, PhD Candidate, Urban Planning, Faculty of Architecture, Technical University of Lisbon, 'New urban interventions in the context of an uneven economic growth and increasing globalized society: the case of Maputo in the new millennium'

Alexis Schäffler, (developing Masters work into a transdisciplinary PhD), Gauteng City Region Observatory (GCRO), 'Sustainably Managing storm water in Johannesburg?'

Katherine Hyman, PhD Candidate, African Centre for Cities, UCT, 'Sustainable Urban Infrastructure: what is it and what does it mean for cities of the South?'

Miriam Maina, Masters student, NRF SARChI Development Planning and Modelling, Wits School of Architecture and Planning, 'Challenges of implementing informal settlements policy shifts: lessons from the city of Johannesburg'

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(11:00-12:30) Session 5: Ambiguous Aesthetics: urban practices and appropriation

Discussant: Gordon Pirie (African Centre for Cities, UCT)

Melanie Samson, Doctoral Candidate, Department of Political Science, York University Africa Waste Picker Programme Coordinator, WIEGO, 'Not just a commodity cemetery: the dump as a space for urban re-integration and redistribution'

Suzall Timm, PhD Candidate, Public Law, Center of Criminology, UCT,'Regulatory Space' and Informality: The Role of Non-human Actants in Creating and Contesting Order'

Mamokete Matjomane, Masters student, Urban Studies, Wits School of Architecture and Planning, 'Towards integrating the 'community' in the governance of urban informality: lessons from Yeoville'

Benjamin Mosiane, Geography and Environmental Science Department, University of Fort Hare, 'Livelihoods, new urbanism and the contradictions of urban change'

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(13:30-15:00) Session 6: Inhabiting and Affecting the city

Discussant: Elaine Salo (Institute for Women's and Gender Studies, University of Pretoria)

Tariro Mutongwizo, PhD Candidate: Centre of Criminology, UCT, 'Formal-informal dynamics and the art of survival among non-state institutions in Cape Town and Mbare'

Alexandra Parker, PhD Candidate, Wits School of Architecture and Planning, 'The Passenger: Examining the depiction of mobility in Johannesburg on film'

Tarryn Paquet, PhD Candidate, Urban and Regional Planning, UCT, 'Methods to Assist in Understanding Complex Urban Space: Using Ethnography and Complexity Theory to Unearth the Effects of Fear on Kayamandi and Cloetesville, South Africa'

Bettina Malcomess with Dorothee Kreutzfeldt, Wits School of Arts (WSOA), 'Not No Place: between art and architecture'