URBANSCAPES SYMPOSIUM 2.0: INNOVATIVE CITIES, SMART NEIGHBORHOODS & PLACEMAKING

Thursday, March 21, 2019
World Bank, 1818 H Street NW, Washington DC
Room MC1-100

The symposium will showcase global best practices in shaping productive, innovative and livable cities. The full-day session will feature 3 focused sessions featuring by World Bank Urbanscapes' external partners and internal Bank TTLs at the (i) city scale; (ii) neighborhood scale; and (iii) placemaking scale. This will include a wide variety of topic from city planning and policy, asset management, citizen engagement and placemaking, and the use of disruptive urban technology to shape cities.

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER	
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10:00	Opening Remarks	Sameh Wahba, (Director WB)	
10:15	Introduction to the World Bank Urbanscapes	Gunes Basat & Jessica Schmidt	
	Community-of-Practice	(Urbanscapes Team, WB)	
Session 1: Innovative and Livable Cities			
Moderator: Victor Vergara (Set the stage 10:30-10:35)			
10:35	Keynote:		
	Happy Cities – Amaravati: the emerging global	Sreedhar Cherukuri & Rama Manohara	
	destination of people, investments and jobs	Rao (Andhra Pradesh Capital Region	
	Approaches, Strategies and Technologies for	Development Authority)	
	developing greenfield peoples' capital		
11:00	Livable Cities – Using Data and Analytics for	Zhongwen Huang (Digital Labs, Urban	
	Urban Planning in Singapore (via VC)	Redevelopment Authority, Singapore)	
	Megacities – Reinventing city planning through remote sensing	Tomas Soukup, Jan Kolomaznik	
11:15		(GISAT/ESA), Jon Kher Kaw & Hyunji Lee	
		(WB)	
	People Cities – Participatory planning through Urban Lab – The case of Albania	Tamara Nikolic, Tuo Shi (WB)	
		Roland Krebs (Superwien Urbanism ZT	
11:30		OG & Technical University of Vienna).	
		Adelina Greca (National Planning Agency	
		of Albania)	
11:45	Innovative Cities – Activating the Future in	2 (1.12)	
	Uzbekistan	Rosanna Nitti (WB)	
12:00	Q&A	Victor Vergara (WB)	
	Grab your lunch and come back in 10	minutes (12:15-12:25)	
Session 2: Smart and Vibrant Neighborhoods			
Moderator: Horacio Terraza (Set the stage 12:20-12:25)			
12:25	Keynote: T.O.D. Planning Through the Scales: Dar es Salaam Case Study	James Rayner, Phil Bonds, Sean Cleary	
		(Broadway Malyan) & Chyi-Yun Huang	
		(WB)	
12:50	Sustainable Neighborhoods – Sustainable	Laura Petrella & Cecilia Andersson (UN-	
	Development Goals, New Urban Agenda and	HABITAT)	
	Public Spaces	,	

1:15	Innovative Neighborhoods – Tokyo	Haruka Imoto (TDLC, World Bank)	
1:30	Vibrant Neighborhoods – Regenerating Traditional Public Spaces in Beijing	Zheng Judy Jia (World Bank)	
1:45	Walkable Neighborhoods – Measuring Pedestrian Accessibility	Nick Jones (World Bank)	
2:00	Livable Neighborhoods – Designing a Resilient Linear Park in El Alto, Bolivia:	Sophie Chanson & Zoe Elena Trohanis (World Bank)	
2:15	Q&A	Horacio Terraza (World Bank)	
Session 3: Community Placemaking			
Moderator: Felipe Targa (Set the stage 2:30-2:35)			
2:30	Keynote: Community-Powered Public Space		
	Transformation: Implementing the New Urban Agenda through Placemaking	Ethan Kent, (Project for Public Spaces)	
2:55	Inclusive placemaking – Washington DC	Joshua Silver (DC Office of Planning)	
3:10	Making places together: urban designers' experiences	Milena Ivkovic, (ISOCARP)	
3:25	Gendering urban planning – Inclusive design strategies in Argentina's informal settlements	Beatriz Eraso Puig (WB)	
3:40	Placemaking in Zanzibar – Revitalizing the past, upgrading the present, shaping the future	Gyongshim An, & Qingyun Shen (WB)	
3:55	Q&A	Felipe Targa (WB)	
Happy Hour and Networking (4:30-5:30)			

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS



Jon Kher Kaw (@jonkherkaw) is a Senior Urban Development Specialist in the Social, Urban, Rural and Resilience Global Practice based in Washington D.C. He also leads the Urbanscapes Group at the World Bank, a cross-sector community-of-practice focused on urban planning and design. He brings with him over 15 years of expertise in public policy, urban planning, and real estate. Since joining the World Bank, Jon Kher has worked on various urban sector activities in Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka. He was also the primary author of the spatial planning and connectivity chapter in the Regional Urbanization Flagship for South Asia. Prior to his current role at the World Bank, Jon Kher held various key positions at the Urban Redevelopment Authority (URA), the national urban planning agency of Singapore from 2005 to 2013. There, he led the planning, design and implementation of key growth districts, as well as policy recommendations for national-level planning, land allocation and real estate market intervention. Jon Kher also worked in the private sector in Singapore and London, and was co-founder of an urban planning think tank in New York. He holds a Master in Design Studies (Housing and Urbanization) from Harvard University and a Master of Architecture from Columbia University.



Sameh Wahba (@SamehNWahba), an Egyptian national, is Director for Urban and Territorial Development, Disaster Risk Management and Resilience at the World Bank Group's Social, Rural, Urban and Resilience Global Practice, based in Washington D.C, where he oversees the formulation of Bank strategy and the design and delivery of all Bank lending, technical assistance, policy advisory activities and partnerships at the global level. Prior to this, he was Practice Manager for the Urban and Disaster Risk Management unit in Africa and the Global Urban and Resilience Unit, and he served as Acting Director of Operations and Strategy for the Global Practice. He also worked as Sustainable Development Sector Leader for Brazil, based in Brasilia, and worked as urban specialist focused on housing, land, local economic development and municipal management and service delivery in Latin America and the Caribbean and the Middle East and North Africa Regions. Prior to joining the Bank in 2004, he worked at the Institute of Housing and Urban Development Studies in Rotterdam and at the Harvard Center for Urban Development Studies. He holds a Ph.D. and Masters in urban planning from Harvard University, and a B.Sc and M.Sc in Architectural Engineering from Cairo University. He speaks Arabic, French, English and Portuguese. Most recently, he co-authored the Bank's flagship publication on "Regenerating Urban Land: A Practitioner's Guide to Leveraging Private Investment."



Jessica Schmidt is an Urban Specialist with the South Asia Unit, interested in urban mobility and placemaking. Prior to joining the World Bank, Jessica served as a Senior Urban Designer at the Central Planning Office of Qatar, the ministry in charge of the infrastructure and logistics of the country ahead of the 2022 World Cup. She holds a M. City and Regional Planning from the University of Pennsylvania and a BA (Urban Studies) from Columbia University. She loves maps.



Gunes Basat (@gunesbasat) is a community manager, currently supporting several community of practices on different topics, including Urbanscapes, Transit-Oriented Development, Solid Waste Management, Smart Cities, Competitive Cities, and Territorial Development within the Social, Urban, Rural and Resilience Global Practice at the World Bank, based in Washington DC. She has a background in journalism and has previously worked at the Al Jazeera Network in Istanbul and Doha. Gunes holds an M.A. degree in Media Culture and Communications from New York University.



Sreedhar Cherukuri, is an Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer, currently working as Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh Capital Region Development Authority and Capital Area. As head of the organization, he leads a team of over 300 for the development of the greenfield capital city and its adjacent region, across physical, social and economic development. Prior to this position, he was the Joint Collector of Guntur District where he was instrumental in the implementation of the widely acclaimed "Land Pooling Scheme", in mobilising and convincing about 27,000 farmer families to part their land for the construction of Amaravati. Prior to his involvement in Amaravati, he worked in senior management positions in the state's Infrastructure investment arm, working extensively on realizing SEZ and large area development projects on PPP mode. Dr. Sreedhar Cherukuri graduated with 2 gold medals from College of Veterinary Science, Tirupati and has also obtained a Post Graduate Diploma in Project Management form Hyderabad Central University.



Rama Manohara Rao, a 1998 batch Civil Servant, GOI, has 20 years of vast experience in infrastructure finance& accounting, PPP, policy and administration. In the current leadership role in APCRDA, he is focusing on greenfield city Amaravati development strategy, Financing the project, investment promotion, PPPs, multilateral agencies like World Bank, AIIB, JICA and global partnerships with Singapore, Japan, UK etc. Concluded the PPP project for development of 6.84 Sq Km of startup area in Amaravati with Ascendas-Singbridge and Sembcorp forming a JV with GOAP. Raised Rs 2000 Cr (USD 275 Million) from capital markets through a oversubscribed Amaravati Bond 2018. Earlier, he held key positions in Indian Railways both at operational and policy levels. As the Director (Finance)-Ministry of Railways, GOI, he shaped investment plans and Union Railway Budget for six years of the order of \$8-\$9 Billion USD capex yearly. Served as Director on Boards in various Public Sector Enterprises, Government of India & GOAP. Attended various leadership and training programs in United States (Maxwell School of Public Policy), Japan (JICA), London (ESCP) and Cambodia (US Department of Transportation on PPPs). He received National Award, GOI, for meritorious service as a Civil Servant in 2007. And represented Government in various delegations to UK, France, US, Japan, China, Singapore, Brazil & Abudhabi Mr. Rao holds a PGPPM - PG Program in Public Policy and Management from IIM Bangalore, and Maxwell School USA with focus on Project Finance. He also holds a Masters in Physics. Currently pursuing his PhD in Infrastructure finance.



Tomas Soukup is the project manager and a senior consultant in remote sensing, GIS and land monitoring in private company GISAT located in Prague, Czech Republic. Over the last 20 years, he has worked extensively on utilization of the Earth observation (EO) data for various practical applications in the land monitoring context including urban studies, regional planning, environmental assessment and

emergency management. In last years, Tomas has been very active in several projects developing and testing dedicated EO-based services and tools relevant to activities of the International Financial Institutions (World Bank, IADB, ADB). Utilizing the European Copernicus services capacity and heritage, these projects (often supported by ESA) aim to demonstrate added-value of the services as well as the recent capacity for their regular provision in standard specification and standard quality. In this context, Tomas also leads the current GISAT activity related to the ESA Earth Observation for Sustainable development (EO4SD) project resulting in various operational support of Banks' sustainable development agenda. Tomas received MSc. degrees in Geography, Cartography and Remote Sensing from the Czech Technical University in Prague in 1991. He is married and the happy father of two children.



Jan Kolomaznik (@JanKolomaznik1) is a senior remote sensing consultant in GISAT, Czech Republic. Jan holds MSc. in geoinformatics and remote sensing and he has strong technical background in satellite data and geo-spatial analysis as well as in product design and development of operational Earth Observation applications. At position of production manager Jan has been in charge of implementation of EO services and production team coordination. Since 2011 he has been involved into several projects funded by European Space Agency that are aimed at supporting sustainable urban development initiatives of international financial institutions including the World Bank, Asian Development Bank and Inter-American Development Bank.



Hyunji Lee (@spaceshaper_hj) is an urban specialist consultant at the World Bank based in Washington, DC. She is currently contributing to urban upgrading lending projects in South Asia, and analytical works on public space with the Urbanscapes Group. Prior to joining the World Bank, she worked at the United Nations negotiating and analyzing international agendas including the New Urban Agenda and SDG indicators in New York. She also published policy reports at the OECD on national urban policies and compact urban developments in Paris. Hyunji holds a Master of Public Administration from the School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA) at Columbia University, and a Master in Civil Engineering and Urban Planning from Seoul National University with field planning experience in Vietnam.



Huang Zhongwen currently heads URA's Digital Planning Lab (DPLab). In this role, he leads an inter-disciplinary team to spearhead URA's efforts in catalysing the digitalisation of urban planning, incubate digital competencies, as well as foster innovations and partnerships across various sectors. Zhongwen is a geographer by training from London School of Economics, with a background in science and math, and a passion for cities and technology. He accrued rich experience in his prior career as a naval combat officer formulating new operation concepts with a strong understanding of defence technologies. Since joining URA in 2012, he has been involved in the long-term plans and policies for transport, utilities and underground space. He pioneered efforts to build up capabilities for the future of urban planning including the growth of the use of data analytics. Heading DPLab since Aug 2017, Zhongwen drives efforts to build analytic methods to provide applicable insights for planning studies. This includes developing digital tools (e.g.: ePlanner, a one-stop geospatial planning tool, and GEMMA, which allows agencies to collaboratively create

and test land use scenarios) to enable a more data-informed and integrated way of planning across agencies. He also conducts vocational analytics training for planners. Cross-agency collaborations and Industry partnerships to strengthen the way URA plans is also a big part of his work.



Tamara Nikolic holds a Masters degree from the Joint European Master for Comparative Local Development from the University of Trento, Italy and University of Regensburg, Germany. Since 2011 Tamara has been working on the strengthening capacity of local governments, reaching out to over 100 local governments as a part of ECA Urban and World Bank Institute, Urban Practice. Prior to this Tamara worked for GIZ, Regional Environmental Center (REC) and European Agency for Reconstruction (EAR).



Roland Krebs is an Austrian urban planner and urbanist who develops strategic action plans for cities to tackle urban growth. He has international experience in urban planning and design. Roland holds a Master in urban planning from the Vienna University of Technology, received an MBA in strategic management (MBA) from the Universidad de Belgrano (Argentina) and did a postgrade in Historic City Regeneration at la Oficina del Historiador, La Habana, Cuba. Roland is a consultant for the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), World Bank Group (WBG), European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) and is Lead Expert for urban planning and housing for the URBACT III program. He has been working in Latin America and the Caribbean, Central Asia, CEE and the Balkan region and the rest of Europe. Since 2011 Roland has been a lecturer at the Institute of Urban Design and Landscape Architecture at the TU Wien. Roland is co-founder and creative director at the Vienna based architecture and urbanism studio superwien urbanism ZT OG



Adelina Greca (@GrecaAdel) has graduated from the Middle East Technical University in Ankara, Turkey. She has followed post-graduate studies in the Department of Urban Planning, the Urban Design Program at the same university. Adelina has an extensive experience in planning and public sector. She worked as an architect and urban planner at the Municipality of Tirana from 2003 until 2011. Since late 2013 Albanian Government appointed Ms. Greca General Director of the National Territorial Planning Agency. The NTPA serves as the central planning authority in Albania.



Zoe Elena Trohanis is originally from Chapel Hill, NC. She currently works in the Latin America and Caribbean (LAC) region of the World Bank Group as a Senior Urban Specialist with more than 15 years of experience at the Bank in urban development and disaster risk management. She currently is based in Lima, Peru and manages the urban portfolio in Peru and Bolivia. Prior to joining LAC, she worked in the East Asia and the Pacific (EAP) region managing various urban development projects, Technical Assistance and Economic Sector Work in Indonesia, Vietnam, and the Philippines with a focus on slum upgrading, urban poverty and gender concerns, and urban resilience. Prior to working at the Bank, she worked in both academia and in the private sector. Zoe has a BA from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and an MA from American University's School of International Service.



Rosanna Nitti (@RnittiWb) is a Senior Urban Specialist in the Europe and Central Asia Region at the World Bank. She has more than 20 years of experience in integrated urban development and urban resilience, across a variety of countries and regions, including Europe, Middle East, South Asia, Latin America and East Asia. She has led and worked extensively in a wide range of Bank operations to deliver integrated solutions to Clients, including in the areas of urban regeneration and cultural heritage, spatial and regional development, municipal services and infrastructure, and urban resilience. She is an Urban Planner and a trained Architect, with multiple degrees in Design and Planning Studies from the Istituto Universitario di Architettura of Venice and the University College of London.



Victor Vergara has 25 years of experience in the urban sector. He is a lead urban specialist and GPSURR coordinator at the Independent Evaluation Group (IEG). He currently co-manages evaluations on Urban Resilience and Managing Urban Growth. Victor began his World Bank career in 1991 contributing to policy dialog on sustainable urban finance. In 1994, he led preparation of urban planning and management capacity building initiatives for Latin America. Victor joined the World Bank Institute in 1998 where he led the Urban and Municipal Finance global capacity building programs. In 2009, as urban sector leader for East Asia Pacific Region, he led technical review of operational, analytical and advisory services. Victor co-chaired the Land and Housing Thematic group 2011-2013.



James Rayner is a leader of Broadway Malyan's urbanism and masterplanning team working across city to neighborhood scale planning and development projects. He is a masterplanner and a chartered urban planner (MRTPI, UK) and chartered landscape designer (MLI, UK) with over 25 years world-wide experience in the urban planning and design of complex across a full range of sectors, scales, project types and challenges. James has lived and worked in Asia, Middle East and Europe and his experience has been gained from work across the globe including China, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, Singapore, Vietnam, Algeria, UAE, Qatar, Jordan, Oman, India, Angola, Tanzania, Nigeria, Mozambique, Kenya, Mauritius, Russia, Cabo Verde, Panama, Brazil, Chile, Portugal, Spain, Poland, UK and Canada. James's expertise is in leading creative development, urban planning and urban design strategies and concepts for city developments with an emphasis on delivery of long lasting liveable, transit orientated, smart and integrated cities and communities. He is a skilled professional with a deep passion and interest in the mechanisms and drivers of urban change. James has proven experience in leading projects successfully, working closely with with Client's and managing stakeholders collaboration and consultant team inputs. James's expertise is focused on robust process, testing and evolving the best and most compelling solutions, optimizing value, for client, users, community and environment, delivering excellence in city place-making



Phil Bonds (@philbonds) co-ordinates Broadway Malyan's UK and international urban design service in the London office. He has 25 years' experience in the development of urban masterplans and strategic studies having led and delivered many acclaimed complex, high profile international schemes across the UK, Europe, North and South America, Africa, Middle East, India and China which has helped define Broadway Malyan's profile as a world class international masterplanning

practice. Phil's recent work includes the Corridor Development Strategy for Dar es Salaam, and the Master Plan for the Capital Province of Luanda, Angola (PDGML). Phil's masterplanning and policy work has levered substantial international development investment through internationally funded urban projects that are shaping the way we live for the better.



Sean Cleary (@seanliamcleary) joined Broadway Malyan in 2011 as a qualified Urban Designer with a background in architectural practice, working on cultural buildings, large office developments and retail-led regeneration schemes. This experience allows him to work fluidly across a range of scales from plans for whole city areas to smaller pieces of public realm and individual architectural elements within them. During his time at Broadway Malyan, Sean has worked on a range of projects including large-scale visioning exercises, numerous masterplans, urban design frameworks and urban regeneration schemes around the world. Sean is experienced in working with large client and consultant teams in both the public and private sector and has an interests in technology, urban data analytics and smart city principles.



Cecilia Andersson is an urban and regional planner working on public space in the Urban Planning and Design Branch of UN-Habitat. The Global Public Space Programme supports cities and local governments in ensuring a better quality of life for all through capacity building, knowledge sharing, developing guides and tools, supporting the development of city-wide strategies and policies, conducting advocacy and of course supports local governments and communities in actual implementation of public space projects



Laura Petrella leads the work of UN-Habitat in the field of city-wide planning, city extension, and site design. The Unit hosts the the Urban Planning and Design Lab of UN-Habitat, as well as the Global Public Space Programme, and a capacity building team, all important mechanisms for the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and for the support to local and national governments. She trained in Italy as architect and specialized in urban and territorial planning in developing countries. She has 25 years of experience initially in research and then at UN-Habitat, where she has worked on slum upgrading, has overseen a major programme on Safer Cities (2002-2010) and has established the City Planning Extension and Design Unit (2012). She coordinated technical cooperation and the preparation of global guidelines by UN-Habitat on urban planning, on public space and on slum upgrading. She has worked in project implementation and advised national and local governments on urban development and urban planning in Africa, Latin America, Asia and Europe and has been involved in international policy making on issues of urban development.



Nick Jones, DRM Specialist at GFDRR, spent 2017-2018 as a CUSP Fellow at New York University. He led a graduate seminar program on urban data analysis, and worked on data science methods at the NYC Department of Buildings and Mayor's Office of Data Analytics.



Haruka Imoto is Knowledge Management Analyst, based in Tokyo Japan. Haruka works together with multiple Japanese cities to document and share their urban development stories that are applicable for World Bank operational projects. Some of the works include the Competitive Cities Case Studies, Yokohama: Reinventing the Future of a City, and Kobe: Creative Reconstruction. Through delivery of monthly workshop called Technical Deep Dives, Haruka has seen how Tokyo has developed its walkability, competitiveness and sustainability and looks forward to share the story today



Zheng Judy Jia's work at the World Bank covers lending and analytical projects in China, Papua New Guinea, , Lebanon, Myanmar, Saudi Arabia, and Bahrain on municipal infrastructure, urban regeneration and upgrading, local economic development, cultural heritage and tourism, and urban resilience. Before joining the World Bank, she worked as a researcher and instructor in Singapore, as an urban planner in China, and as a consultant in India. She has published papers in books and international conference proceedings. Judy holds a master's degree in city Planning from Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), and a Bachelor of Architecture from Tsinghua Univ., China.



Sophie Chanson Sophie Chanson is an architect and Urban Development specialist at the World Bank in the Social, Urban, Rural & Resilience Global Practice (SURR) for Latin America and the Caribbean. She works on urban resilience, planning and cultural heritage in Bolivia and Haiti and is passionate about the potential of cities as agents of global change. Sophie holds a MA in Architecture from ETH Zurich, Switzerland and was an exchange student at the Southeast University in Nanjing, China. Prior to joining the Bank she worked at UN Habitat, the Swiss Foreign Affairs Department and Urban Think-tank



Horacio Terraza (@TerrazaH) has more than 20 years of professional experience in the urban-environmental field, having worked both in the private sector and multilateral development organizations. He is the Lead Urban Specialist for the Latin American Region of the World Bank focusing on cities, urban infrastructure and resilience. During the previous 8 years he worked at the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) as the Coordinator of the Emerging and Sustainable Cities Initiative (ESCI) and as Principal Water Specialist. Before the IDB Horacio worked for 11 years as a Senior Environmental Specialist at the World Bank, leading the urban environmental agenda and coordinating operations related to carbon finance in the Latin American Department. Prior to that, he worked in the private sector as Project Manager for environmental engineering companies providing treatment and final disposal of hazardous substances. Horacio has extensive experience in complex projects related to urban infrastructure and industrial pollution, implementing many of these within the framework of the principal international environmental protocols including: The Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants, the Convention on Climate Change and the Kyoto Protocol and the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Horacio was trained as a mechanical engineer at the National University of La Plata in Argentina and holds a Master's in International Economics and International Relations from the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS).



Ethan Kent (@ebkent) works to support Placemaking organizations, projects, and leadership around the world to build a <u>global placemaking movement</u> to build systemic change towards <u>place-led urbanization</u>. During over 20 years at PPS, Ethan has traveled to more than 900 cities and 60 countries to advance the cause of <u>Placemaking</u> and public spaces. Ethan has been integral to the development of Placemaking as a transformative approach to <u>economic development</u>, <u>environmentalism</u>, <u>transportation planning</u>, <u>governance</u>, <u>resilience</u>, <u>social equity</u>, <u>design</u>, <u>digital space</u>, and <u>innovation</u>.



Joshua D. Silver (@jsilver76), Lead Planner for the Strategic Initiatives and Partnerships, DC Office of Planning. Mr. Silver spearheads initiative management and partnership development for OP's place-based initiatives. Focused on the intersection of community development and equity, Mr. Silver has played an instrumental role in delivery of OP's cutting-edge collaboration with the Kresge Foundation, "Crossing the Street: Building DC's Inclusive Future Through Creative Placemaking"



Milena Ivković is the Member of the Board of Directors of ISOCARP (International Society of City and Regional Planners) and Director in charge of Urban Planning Advisory Teams (UPAT). She is an international designer and researcher, with an expertise in collaborative urban planning and urban renewal. In 2018, Milena led several ISOCARP design workshops in Africa and China, and organized knowledge exchange sessions at ISOCARP Congresses and events. Between 2011 and 2015 Milena worked as a researcher for the Brussels-based Yellow Design Foundation, advising various international organisations (UN HABITAT, Mistra Urban Futures and UIC) on the issues of urban mobility and public space safety, focusing on inclusive and community-oriented design. Before joining the YDF, she worked as public space designer at several Dutch architecture and planning bureaus, specialized in international (master)planning consultancy. Since 2011 Milena runs her own Rotterdam-based practice Blok74, dedicated to developing new formats of participation in urban planning, e.g. citizens' design workshops using AR, XR and VR technologies. She frequently collaborates with different municipalities and NGO's, championing participatory urbanism projects. Born in Belgrade (Serbia), Milena received MSc Degree in Architecture and Urban Planning at the Faculty of Architecture, University of Belgrade. Right now Milena divides her time between Rotterdam, Belgrade and ongoing several ISOCARP projects locations, from Asia and Africa to Europe and the Middle East.



Beatriz Eraso Puig is an Urban Development Specialist in the Social, Urban, Rural and Resilience Global Practice at the World Bank. She works in the Latin America and Caribbean Region since 2014 in projects related to urban upgrading, housing, urban redevelopment, public spaces, transit-oriented development and territorial development. Currently based in Buenos Aires, Beatriz co-manages the urban portfolio in Argentina. Previously, she worked as carbon finance specialist at the World Bank and the private sector providing support for projects in the areas of transport, energy efficiency, renewable energy and solid waste management in Africa, Asia and Latin America. Beatriz holds a Master in Economics and International

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Qingyun Shen, an Urban Specialist in the Africa region, is the co-TTL of the Boosting Inclusive Growth in Zanzibar: Integrated Development Project. She is an urban planner by training and practice and her areas of expertise include integrated urban upgrading, urban and regional planning, land and housing policy, and inclusive urban regeneration.



Gyongshim An joined the World Bank's Africa Urban and DRM Unit in 2015 as Senior Urban Specialist and has since led urban sector lending operations in Kenya, Tanzania, Gabon and Senegal, including Boosting Inclusive Growth in Zanzibar: Integrated Development Project under preparation in collaboration with the Transport, FCI GPs and PPP CCSA. She had developed and supervised loans and technical assistance projects for urban planning, urban governance, and urban infrastructure and municipal services (wastewater, drainage, solid waste, urban transport, etc.) in Asian Development Bank and private companies before joining the Bank.



Felipe Targa, a Colombian national, is a Senior Urban Transport Specialist working with the Latin America and the Caribbean Region in Washington, DC. Felipe Targa was Deputy Transport Minister of Colombia from 2010 to 2012. Before joining the World Bank he founded and directed a multidisciplinary consultancy center from the academic research called SEGC CityLab at Los Andes University in Colombia. Prior to this, Mr. Targa worked at the Inter-American Development Bank (2004-2010) as a Senior Transport Specialist, and in Colombia's National Planning Department (1998-2001) designing and implementing one of the most advanced National Urban Transport Policies in the region and conceptualizing the first group of Colombia's recognized BRT systems. Mr. Targa holds a Masters in City and Regional Planning from the University of North Carolina, and advanced to Ph.D. candidacy in Transport Systems at the University of Maryland.