

INFORMATION & CONTACT :

The seminar is organised by Etienne Piguet, Patrick Rérat and Ola Söderström. It is held at the Institute of Geography, University of Neuchâtel, Espace Louis-Agassiz 1, 2000 Neuchâtel. The Institute of Geography is part of the Maison d'Analyse des Processus Sociaux (MAPS), which aims at studying the circulation of knowledge, people and capital.

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THEME :

In its classical definition, gentrification refers to the physical and social transformation of existing districts. Recently, the concept has been extended to include high status developments and changes in the urban fabric such as the re-use of former industrial wastelands.

This seminar will focus on “new-build gentrification” and on some recent trends in urban development such as regeneration and densification policies. It will address questions regarding the roles of the actors involved in these phenomena: national and local authorities, actors of the housing market and households who settle in the new dwellings (new middle class, transnational migrants, dual career households, etc.).

The seminar thus gives the opportunity to investigate the demographic changes in core cities and their renewed residential attractiveness as well as to address different interpretations of these phenomena.

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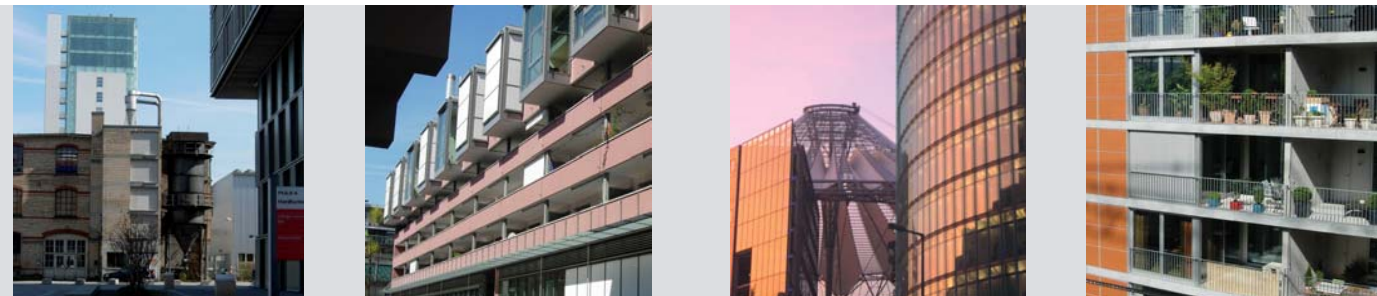
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Thursday, 15th of November

8.45 - 9.10 a.m. : Introduction

Etienne Piguet, Patrick Rérat & Ola Söderström (University of Neuchâtel, CH)

9.10 - 10.10 a.m. : Discussing New-Build Gentrification I

Chair: **Patrick Rérat** (Univ. of Neuchâtel, CH)

Loretta Lees (King's College London, UK): *New-Build Gentrification: its Histories and Trajectories*

10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. : Discussing New-Build Gentrification II

Chair: **Gianni D'Amato** (Univ. of Neuchâtel, CH)

Martin Phillips (University of Leicester, UK): *Is there any such Thing as New-Build Gentrification?*

Mark Davidson (University of Western Sydney, AUS): *Gentrifying Place: The Coalescence of Urban Policy and New-Build Gentrification*

Annegret Haase, Annett Steinführer, Sigrun Kabisch (Helmholtz-Centre for Environmental Research, Leipzig, GER), **Stefan Buzar** (University of Birmingham, UK), **Ray Hall & Philip Ogden** (Queen Mary, University of London, UK): *Reurbanisation – just a Variety of Gentrification or a Comeback of City-Mindedness as a Housing Preference?*

2.00 - 4.00 p.m. : Gentrification as an Urban Strategy

Chair: **Ola Söderström** (Univ. of Neuchâtel, CH)

David Webb (Newcastle University, UK): *From New-Build Gentrification to NeoLiberal Revanchism? A Critique of the Gentrification Heuristic*

Lorenzo Vicario & Arantxa Rodriguez (University of the Basque Country, ESP): *Gentrification as a Regeneration Strategy: Urban Policy and New-Build Gentrification in Bilbao*

Max Rousseau (Université Jean-Monnet, St-Etienne, FRA): *Excavating the Logic of Gentrification as an Urban Strategy. Roubaix, St-Etienne, Sheffield*

4.20 - 5.40 p.m. : The Dynamics of State-led Gentrification

Chair: **Roger Besson** (Univ. of Neuchâtel, CH)

Tolga Islam (Yildiz University, Istanbul, TUR): *The Changing Form of Gentrification in Istanbul: State-Led Gentrification in a Roman Neighborhood*

Kirsteen Paton (University of Glasgow, UK): *Gentrifying or Displacing Working Class Identities?: Exploring New Trajectories of Contemporary State-Led Gentrification in Partick, Glasgow*

Friday, 16th of November 2007

9.00 - 10.40 a.m. : Demographic changes in core cities

Chair: **François Hainard** (Univ. of Neuchâtel, CH)

Mathieu Van Criekingen (Université libre de Bruxelles, BEL): *Demographic and Social Changes in Core Cities: Gentrifying the Reurbanisation Debate*

Karin Johnson (Stockholm University, SWE): *Gentrification Generalized – Generic Gentrification: Social Geographic Change in Stockholm, Gothenburg and Malmö 1986-2001*

11.00 a.m. - 12.20 p.m. : Urban Regeneration and New-Build Gentrification

Chair: **Corinna Heye** (University of Zurich, CH)

Patrick Rérat, Roger Besson, Etienne Piguet & Ola Söderström (Univ. of Neuchâtel, CH):

From Urban Wasteland to New-Build Gentrification? Residential Attractiveness and Demand in Swiss Cities

Damaris Rose (Université du Québec, CAN): *The Production and Consumption of “Infill” Gentrification in Montréal (Québec, Canada): Actors and Debates*

1.40 - 3.00 p.m. : Gentrifiers in New Developments in Toronto

Chair: **Richard Wolff** (International Network for Urban Research and Action, CH)

Ute Lehrer (York University, CAN): *The New Gentrification: Condo-boom in Toronto*

Leslie Kern (York University, CAN): *Sex and the Reurbanized City: Gender, Everyday Life and New-Build Gentrification in Toronto*

3.20 - 4.40 p.m. : The Dynamics of Gentrification in Shanghai

Chair: **Etienne Piguet** (Univ. of Neuchâtel, CH)

Shenjing He (University of Cardiff, UK): *State-sponsored Gentrification under Market Transition: The Case of Shanghai, China*

Deljana Iossifova (Tokyo Institute of Technology, JPN): *Borderlands between Old and New and the Creation of Socio-Spatial Identities – A Case Study on Urban Renewal in Shanghai*

4.40 - 5.00 p.m. : Concluding Remarks

Patrick Rérat (University of Neuchâtel, CH)

