Welcome
We are looking forward to welcoming you to a rich discussion about the contemporary politics and challenges of urban governance in a warming world. The conference includes a music performance from ‘Music for a Warming World’ with drinks and canapés at the end of paper sessions on the first day. Our end of conference dinner at Moat Wine Bar (self-funded). We look forward to seeing you in Melbourne.

Location
The conference will be held at RMIT city campus, Level 7 of Storey Hall (Building 16), 336 Swanston Street Melbourne

Keynotes + special sessions
- Professor Margit Mayer
- Professor Michele Acuto
- Treaty Governance
- Dirt Governance
- Governing Urban Renewal

Conference organisers
Professor Libby Porter, Associate Professor Wendy Steele, Dr Laura Mumaw and Associate Professor Martin Mulligan

In an increasingly fractured, unequal and warming world, we need to rethink and redesign how we collectively govern our relationships to place for social and ecological flourishing. Whose rights are at stake, what futures are possible, which natures matter, and who gets to say are critical questions that form the focus of the 2019 Transformative Urban Governance conference in Melbourne, Australia.

Hosted by the Centre for Urban Research at RMIT, this two day conference brings together scholars, activists, practitioners and policy-makers into lively debate to help reframe how we think and practice urban governance in an unequal, warming world. The conference will be held at RMIT University, which is on the unceded sovereign lands of the Woiwurrung and Boonwurrung speaking peoples of the Kulin Nation, in the city now known as Melbourne. In hosting the conference we pay respect to the Elders past, present and emerging of all Kulin peoples and invite conversations that honour our collective obligation to Kulin Country, peoples and cultures.
Conference Schedule

DAY 1: WEDNESDAY 26 JUNE

8.45 AM - 9.15 AM
Registration open

9:15 AM - 9.30 AM
Welcome to Country and Conference
Perry Wandin (Wurundjeri Tribe Council)
Libby Porter

9:30 AM - 10.30 AM
Panel 1: Dirt Governance
Chair: Wendy Steele
- Cecily Maller
- Bronwyn Lay
- Anita Marnungwarnggu
- Ben Cooke

10.30 AM - 11.00 AM
Morning Tea

11.00 AM - 12.30 PM
Urban Renewal
Chair: Ruth Fincher
-Hayley Henderson, Helen Sullivan, Brendan Gleeson
-Marcus Spiller & Ellen Witte
-Paul Burton, Sebastien Darchen
-Maree Pardy

12:10 PM - 1:00 PM
Lunch

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM
Keynote 1: Professor Michele Acuto
Chair: Laura Mumaw

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Green Governance
Chair: Sarah Robertson
-Nooshin Torabi, Florence Damiens, Brian Coffey
-Jason Alexandra, Laura Mumaw

3:00 PM - 3:30 PM
Afternoon Tea

3:30 PM - 5:15 PM
Collective Agency
Chair: Serene Ho
-Jasmine Palmer, Rebecca Clements

Climate Governance
Chair: Florence Damiens
-Susie Moloney, Bronwyn Lay
-Justin See, Blanche Verlie

5:30 PM - 8:00 PM
Drinks and canapes
Performance - Music for a Warming World
Readings from the work Tony Birch

DAY 2: THURSDAY 27 JUNE

8.45 AM - 9.15 AM
Tea and Coffee

9:15 AM - 9.30 AM
Welcome to Day 2
Wendy Steele

9:30 AM - 10.30 AM
Panel 2 - Treaty Governance
Chair: Libby Porter
-Lidia Thorpe, Stacie Piper

10.30 AM - 11.00 AM
Morning Tea

11.00 AM - 12.45 PM
Displacement and Indigeneity
Chair: Blanche Verlie
-Florence Damiens & Libby Porter
-Oluwafemi Ayodeji Olajide

Transport Governance
Chair: Blanche Verlie
-Crystal Legacy, James Whitten
-Jana Perkovic, John Stone

12:45 PM - 1:15 PM
Lunch

1:15 PM - 2:15 PM
Keynote - Professor Margit Mayer
Chair: Kate Shaw

2:15 PM - 3:15 PM
Urban Informality
Chair: Sarah Robertson
-Redento Recio, Fazilat Tooranian
-Lutfun Nahar Lata, Farhana Ahmad

3:15 PM - 3:30 PM
Afternoon Tea

3:30 PM - 5:15 PM
Digital Governance
Chair: Fumiko Nogushi
-Rebecca Leshinsky, Ani-Landau Ward

Metropolitan Governance
Chair: Fumiko Nogushi
-John Jackson, Kane Pham
-Sumaya Tonny

5:15 PM - 5:30 PM
Conference rapporteur
Kate Shaw

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
End of Conference Dinner
(The Moat Wine Bar)

Locations
All Panels, Keynotes and Sessions will be held in Seminar Room 1
All food and refreshments, and the musical performance will be in the Green Brain