

Complexity theories of Cities

pre-conference talks

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Architecture is made for people

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Christopher Alexander's approach to design has opened up a new freedom to apply the latest scientific advances to architecture and urbanism. At the same time, it has led to an unexpected reunion of cutting-edge design techniques with timeless traditional techniques.

Going forward based upon scientific understanding has made us realize how much sophistication was included in traditional typologies and practices. Perhaps the most important was a sustainable approach to building.

Nili Portugali

In this lecture Architect Nili Portugali will present her particular interpretation of the holistic phenomenological worldview in architecture both in theory and in practice.

A humanistic worldview (which she will argue is much beyond the given definition of Sustainable Architecture) stands in recent years at the forefront of the scientific discourse as a whole in disciplines like cosmology, neurobiology, psychology, particle physics, brain sciences, and recent theories of complexity as well as in convergence with the fundamentals of Buddhist philosophy.

Portugali will demonstrate how this approach, as well as her unique planning process – methodology stemming from it, were implemented in a selected buildings and projects she designed and built in Israel for more than 30 years.

Location: TU Delft, Faculty of Architecture, Berlagezaal

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