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Workshops and Events

Find out more about Regeneration Economies' upcoming events:

HS2 or What?: Transport Choices and West Midlands Regeneration

Date: 8 November 2013

Venue: Barber Concert Hall, **The Barber Institute of Fine Arts (https://www.facebook.com/barberinstitute?directed_target_id=0)**

HS2 has been presented purely as a transport proposal, resulting in a discourse that is polarised between NIMBYism and boosterism. This debate aims to shift the focus away from transport and city development to regional regeneration which is now the declared purpose of the HS2 project.

The distinguished geographer and planner, **Professor Sir Peter Hall (https://iris.ucl.ac.uk/research/personal/?upi=PGHAL68)**, will deliver a keynote address drawing on his long engagement with transport in urban development. Sir Peter will set some specific challenges for the West Midlands for a regional panel of interests and experts, chaired by **Gisela Stuart MP (http://www.giselastuartmp.co.uk/)** Birmingham Edgbaston, to respond before a wider discussion with the audience.

Registration is essential. (http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/event/8688416287?ref=ebtnebregn)

Urban Transformation and the city of Guangzhou: Towards a Globalizing City?

Date: 27 November 2013

Venue: Room G06, Birmingham Business School

Based on its history and location, the city of Guangzhou has been experiencing a rapid process of urban transformation. This process commenced with the opening-up of the Chinese economy from 1978 and subsequent reforms. This lecture from Professor Zhangping Lin, **School of Geographical Sciences Guangzhou University (http://portal.gzhu.edu.cn/web/geo-english/general-information)**, seeks to identify and explores the different phases of urbanization that Guangzhou has undergone since 1978. The analysis will focus on identifying initiating factors, opportunities, challenges and on understanding the current transformation that Guangzhou is experiencing. From an analysis of Guangzhou the lecture identifies theoretical and practical research agendas. These focus on understanding alterations in economic structure, spatial organization and function. There is a particular focus on urban regeneration and internationalization.

The lecture starts at 17:00 and will be followed by a drinks reception with opportunities to network.

The event is free, but places are limited and **booking is essential (https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/event/9126047253)**.

The 3rd Industrial Revolution: Digital Fabrication and Manufacturing Competitiveness

Date: 11 December 2013

Venue: Room 110, Birmingham Business School

Digital fabrication and digitally operated processes including composite materials, laser and 3D printing are transforming the competitiveness and working practices of businesses.

This workshop aims to:

- Explore the relationships between digital fabrication and the ongoing changes of manufacturing
- Develop a dialogue between engineering and business management and suggest a new way of understanding the changing nature of manufacturing
- Explore the implication of digital fabrication for policy making, economic growth and regional development.

This workshop is the first of two IAS workshops focusing on regeneration economies and engineering. It will consist of a series of presentations followed by open discussions to identify key research issues and develop a research agenda.

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