



**3<sup>rd</sup> INTERNATIONAL  
CONFERENCE ON URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING**  
DEPARTMENT OF ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING, NED UNIVERSITY OF ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY, KARACHI

## **CALL FOR PAPERS - 2019**

### **CONFERENCE SUMMARY**

**Title:** 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Urban and Regional Planning (CURP) - 2019  
**Theme:** *'Innovation in Planning and Practice'*  
**Date:** 15-16 March, 2019  
**Venue:** NED University of Engineering and Technology, Karachi, Pakistan  
**Conference Language:** English  
**Hosted By:** Department of Architecture & Planning, NED University  
**Web Links:** [http://www.neduet.edu.pk/arch\\_planning/index.html](http://www.neduet.edu.pk/arch_planning/index.html)

### **BACKGROUND**

With an aim to engage architects, planners, academia, industry and researchers to deliberate on emerging issues, evolving concepts and new body of knowledge in the field of urban and regional planning, the Department of Architecture and Planning (DAP) NED University has organized till 2016, eleven annual seminars on Urban and Regional Planning addressing broad issues under the themes of:

- Education, practice, learning from experiences,
- Planning and managing urban change,
- Planning in a globalizing world,
- Interface of planning with the market economy
- Urbanization and secondary cities,
- Dynamics of land in planning,
- Housing for all
- Planning for people, and
- Planning and institutional arrangements

International and national experts deliberated at length on key matters related to these themes. Contributions in the form of peer reviewed papers made the intellectual substance of these formidable events; published as eight separate volumes of seminar proceedings - distributed free of cost to the concerned individuals, institutions and academic links.

In the year 2017, the scope of this Seminar was broadened to International Conference. The First International Conference on Urban and Regional Planning (CURP) was organized in March 2017 having *'Urban Resilience and Adaptation'* as its theme and Second International CURP discussed the subject of *'Cities Beyond City'*. Professionals from various countries presented their papers, some of which were published in 2017 and 2018 volumes of peer reviewed biannual *'Journal of Research in Architecture and Planning'* published by DAP-NED.

### **CALL FOR PAPERS**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Urban and Regional Planning (CURP) - 2019 is scheduled to be held in Karachi, Pakistan on **15-16 March 2019** focusing on the theme of *'Innovation in Planning and Practice'*. This Call for Papers invites Urban Planners, Architects, Government Officials, Academics and all Allied Professionals to share their knowledge and researches befitting to the theme of this

conference, and share their experiences of innovation and efforts of experimentation beyond the ordinary, for the benefit of public, professionals and students of subject.

### CONFERENCE THEME

*“Innovation is really about responding to change in a creative way. It's about generating new ideas, conducting research & development (R&D), improving processes or revamping products and services”.* Planning process is generally governed by a comprehensive framework and structured methods. However, the innovation in planning field illustrates how places are enriched and communities are transformed for the upward mobility. Innovation becomes a game changer for improving economies, creating conducive environments and uplifting the livelihoods and simultaneously help in drawing lessons for progressive planning policy and practice.

The courage to do things differently and to revolutionize old practices bears a tendency to turn the planning disasters into successful case-studies. Conversely, the Innovation in planning sector demands the freedom of experiments and availability of resources which do not happen often especially in the societies facing economic crisis and political instability. For example, in Pakistan we have witnessed the experiment of the greater devolution of planning powers to the lowest possible level under the regime of a non-democratic government and thus the continuity of the vision could not be maintained in successive years. The opportunities allowing planners to develop tailored solutions which recognize cultural and social context for making planning decisions and to engage the communities affected by the changes are considered very crucial as it requires a deep understanding of past practice and meticulous analysis of current scenario to develop a future course of innovative practice.

The two day, 3rd International Conference on Urban & Regional Planning (CURP'19) aims to have an intellectual discourse on the planning systems that have drifted into a more quasi-legal form suppressing innovation. Through such discourse the importance of innovation in planning and practice and its role in creating new and valued place qualities is intended to be highlighted. CURP'19 encourages paper presenters to share and generate strategic visions which may inspire the participants, decision makers, local politicians, planning agencies and bureaucrats to shape and co-ordinate their 'Development' undertakings to make positive differences.

The theme of the Conference ***'Innovation in Planning and Practice'*** poses many questions such as how to bring change in conventional way of working? How to provide layers of infrastructure that are needed to revamp old practices? How to address the risk of failure in innovation? Who is responsible to make this phenomenon sustainable? And what challenges can be converted into opportunities?

The theme of the Conference also draws attention to deliberate on the implications of *'out of box'* approach in Planning and Practice, generally across the globe, and particularly in Pakistan. Following are the sub themes for the Conference:

- Planning the innovation agenda for sustainable development
- Awareness of innovative practices to re-frame issues and opportunities
- Imagining beyond current drivers
- Role of local governments
- Challenges and emerging opportunities



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- Development paradigms and planning horizons
- Improved use of technology in Planning and Practice

### CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

The objectives of CURP 2019 are as follows:

- To provide scholars from different countries an opportunity to come together for an exchange of views, ideas, and information regarding what was being done in their respective countries towards the extension, improvement, and refinement of historical knowledge related to the national and regional needs of Asian peoples particularly with reference to the conference theme: **'Innovation in Planning and Practice'**.
- To find ways and means for collaboration and networking among academics and international scholars for fruitful information sharing.
- To provide a platform for sharing recent research with a particular focus on global south

### PARTICIPANTS

The conference is open to all academia, educators, civil society, media professionals, industry practitioners and research scholars/ students extending their contributions corresponding to the main scope and theme of the conference.

A wide attendance from national and international participants is expected at the conference, including paper presenters, panelists, university students and experts from the field. We invite you all to join hands with us and be a substantial part of the conference.

### IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract submission dates:	<b>07 December, 2018</b>
Date of notification to the author:	<b>24 December, 2018</b>
Full paper deadline:	<b>28 January, 2019</b>
Conference Dates:	<b>15-16 March, 2019</b>

### FUNDING

Financial support for travel and /or accommodation of paper presenters is subject to the approval of funding proposal/s submitted to various organizations.

### REQUIREMENTS

Scholars, practitioners and academics are invited to contribute research papers focusing on the theme.

- The length of paper must not exceed 6000 words. Text should be typed and printed on A-4 sized sheets; submitted along with a soft copy as Microsoft Word Document.
- Papers selected by the Scientific Committee for presentation will be considered for publication in Journal of Research in Architecture and Planning 2019 volume/s, thus contributors are requested to send their drafts complete in all respects, on or before the due date.
- Abstract should not exceed 300 words and submitted by given deadline.



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[Times New Roman 10-point, Bold, Centered and Upper and Lower Case]  
Abstract 'containing a Central Theme/Idea' should be written in English within a range of some 250 to 300 words, consisting of no more than 5 key words, in relation with the given sub-themes.  
Please email your abstract for pre-approval from the Conference Scientific Committee.

##### **PAPER MAIN TITLE**

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- Interested authors should download and read the Instructions to Authors Manual ([http://www.neduet.edu.pk/arch\\_planning/NED-JRAP/Referencing\\_System.html](http://www.neduet.edu.pk/arch_planning/NED-JRAP/Referencing_System.html)) for all details of requirements, procedures, paper mechanics, referencing style and technical review process for submitted papers.

#### **SECTION:**

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All the pages of the paper size should be A4 (21 x 29,7cm). The top and bottom margin should be 1", the left 1.5" and 1" for right margin. All the text must be in one column format and Times New Roman must be used, including figures and tables. Single-spaced with 12-point inter-lining spacing. Leave two blank lines before each section [Times New Roman, 12-point, Normal, Alignment Justify, Upper and Lower Case]

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