ONLINE TALK - MARCH 26th
Welcome to the Future

Designing Post-Covid 19 Cities
Online Talk with João Teixeira

On March 26, 4PM (CET), INTA invites you to a 2-hour online session around the challenges that cities will face in a post-covid19 society

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Background to the discussion

In a context of rapid urbanisation of the world and globalisation of the economy which both accelerate the process of metropolisation and reshape the places where people live, work and consume, the urban question is the last lever at our disposal to build a more democratic and responsible society.

In the last 100 years no disease pushed the world population to so long lockdown, so hard quarantine times during three big sanitary waves. The world population is afraid, insecure and confused to live through day-by-day changes, in global depression, big unemployment levels and pandemic spread, suffering and death.

After the global vaccination the pandemic impacts will not disappear: nobody will forget it or be ready to take on the several challenges left behind by the crisis. Several measures taken during the pandemic will go on; and this is a great opportunity to secure a better future for all, to reshape our global economy and speed up the main challenges. It includes Healthy, Secure and Green Deal, combining climate change adaptation and mitigation.
Other critical issues embrace carbon neutral cities and regions; the transition for the circular and green economy; energy-efficient buildings; sustainable and accessible public mobility; accessible housing; new social and technical infrastructures; national health systems covering comprehensive medical coverage, easy access to healthcare; applying digital revolution to rethink and upgrade the quality of life for all.

These multiple and challenges call for a New Welfare State centred on the citizen and nature, minimizing the impact and adapting to multi-risk conditions: natural hazards, pandemics and complex emergencies, in a multilateral global community, open to change, science, innovation, diversity and tolerance, and not going back to business as usual.

*The City of tomorrow needs answers that last.*

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In order to overcome the health constraints, INTA provides its members and guests with a platform dedicated to the exchange and sharing of experiences with the participation of renowned urban development professionals.

The Online Talks are aimed at practitioners and decision-makers confronted with the problems and complex situations of current urban and territorial developments; they are designed to provide the tools for analysis and the implementation of practical measures to optimise urban management and foster social cohesion.
Who are we and why we can help?

Since its foundation 40 years ago, the International Urban Development Association (INTA), is an international network gathering public and private leaders, urban professionals and stakeholders.

It surveys the world, cities and neighbourhoods, makes diagnoses and designs action plans with the help of practitioners from all disciplines and nationalities.

In doing so, INTA develops strong relationships with Government officials, local authorities, communities, business corporations and other stakeholders who build, manage and care for the city. INTA's areas of intervention include urban and territorial strategies, future of mid-sized cities, local ecological and climate transitions, post Covid recovery, transitory planning...

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