

INTA WINTER SESSION

GLOBAL URBAN FUTURES: DELIVERING BETTER AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING

3 SESSIONS 2026 AT 4PM (CET TIME)

SESSION 1: 13.TH JANUARY:

URBANITY, WELLBEING AND EQUITY

Husam Shweiki is a Palestinian architect and urban planner who serves as the Head of Architecture at Hebron Municipality. [THE_ORG-2Derbe_Hamburg+2](#) He is also a member of Hebron's Core Planning Team for the city's 2023–2026 strategic development plan. [hebron-city.ps+1](#) In addition, he works as an **EDGE Expert** for EDGE Buildings, advising on sustainable and green building design in Palestine.

Matthew Pike is the Director of Strategic Initiatives at the [Cambridge Housing Authority](#) in Massachusetts. **NAHRO** (National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials) focuses on promoting affordable housing, community development, and urban revitalization. It supports policy advocacy, professional development, ethical standards, and diversity, equity, and inclusion in creating strong and sustainable communities.

Focus on the urgent need for better and more affordable housing in rapidly growing cities and areas of crises

SESSION 2: 24.TH FEBRUARY:

URBANITY, WELLBEING AND CRISES

Camila Jordan, environmental engineer, urban planner, policy researcher. Director of Institutional Relations and TETO Brasil, a non-profit working in low-income settlements to promote housing justice, including emergency shelter and community development projects.

Anne Bach Nielsen, Associate Professor, Department of F Copenhagen University. Her research includes sustainable cities, global and local climate adaptation policies, trans networks, disaster and crisis management, city development and sustainable development.

Examining how *Humanising City* principles can strengthen resilience in the face of crises, balancing human needs, social and adaptive urban planning.

SESSION 3: 24.TH MARCH:

URBANITY, WELLBEING AND THE HUMANISING CITY

Professor Ole B. Jensen researches how people behave during transport and in urban spaces. He has a broad academic background, trained as a sociologist, followed by a PhD in planning, a doctorate in technology, and a professorship in mobility and urban design. Throughout his career, he has consistently collaborated with specialists from fields outside his own—entirely in line with the interdisciplinary nature of his research.

Prof. Husam AlWaer, Chair of Urban Design, University of Dundee, UK // Husam is an award-winning author with published work on a wide range of subjects from architecture, urbanism, sustainability and healthy neighbourhoods to the specifics of place-making facilitation and performance evaluation.

Philosophical perspectives on urban life, well-being, and ethics provide a framework for understanding how concepts like the *15-Minute City* and *Humanising City* can shape the future of cities worldwide