

**2nd international
CONFERENCE**

**the
FUTURE
DESIGN
of STREETS**

26-27 JUNE 2025

Centro Cultural de Vila Flor
Guimarães

DAY I

26 JUNE 2025

9.15 - 18.00

Plenary and Parallel sessions

DAY II

27 JUNE 2025

9.15 - 18.30

Plenary sessions

DAY III

28 JUNE 2025

10.00 - 12.00

Guided visit, historical centre of
Guimarães, by Ricardo Rodrigues
(registration required, max. 30 people)

the Future Design of Streets conference

Streets are rich and layered societal spaces. They are an integral part of our daily living environment: as **social** spaces that function as public, collective, and democratic spaces; as **natural** spaces, providing habitats for flora and fauna, including trees, soil, and water; and as **mobility** spaces, serving as essential components of broader mobility networks, offering large-scale connections and local accessibility.

In recent decades, the way streets are used and transformed has fundamentally changed. In many cities, and villages across Europe, we can find beautiful, inspiring, meaningful, and collectively created examples of recent street projects. These go beyond the scale of a single project, involving a transformation of the entire street network and living environment. A rich spectrum of possible solutions – transforming streets into collective spaces – is available to everyone, often based on social and natural values, where mobility is rebalanced to reduce its dominance in street spaces.

As society rapidly evolves and major social challenges emerge, we must question how we use and design our streets. This raises the critical question: 'If we know all the solutions, why can't we accelerate the action?'

Our second international conference, the Future Design of Streets, will gather actors/players from diverse fields and contexts to reflect, debate, and share knowledge and experiences on designing and planning better streets for current and future generations. Over three days, it will connect academia with practitioners, bridging theory and best practices.

The conference is organised by 'the Future Design of Streets association' in collaboration with the 'EAAD School of Architecture, Art, and Design' and the research unit 'Landscape, Heritage and Territory Laboratory (Lab2PT),' both from the University of Minho, and will take place at the Centro Cultural Vila Flor in Guimarães, Portugal.

DAY I

26 JUNE 2025

8.45 - 9.15	Registration
9.15-11.00	Plenary Session - Opening Session Ana Cotter, CM Guimarães Paulo Cruz, EAAD João Cabeleira, Lab2PT Ivo Oliveira Opening presentation Éric Alonzo
11.00-11.30	Coffee break + Poster Sessions #1
11.30-13.00	Parallel Session #1
13.00-14.30	Lunch
14.30-16.00	Parallel Session #2
16.00-16.30	Coffee break + Poster Sessions #2
16.30-18.00	Plenary Session - Roads to Streets METREX Olga Pereira, Maria João Matos, José Manuel Ferreira, Sandeep Shingadia, Paul Lecroart, Henk Bouwman, Daniel Casas-Valle
18.00	Book presentation David Sim, Soft City (parallel programme)
POSTER SESSIONS #1 11.00-11.30 Ana Tsou Inês Osório de Castro Eva Rusch François Decoster Jiayu (Joslyn) Sun POSTER SESSIONS #2 16.00-16.30 Nazanin Moghaddam Robert Tensen Sandra Brito Tadej Gregoric	

DAY II

27 JUNE 2025

8.45 - 9.15	Registration
9.15-11.00	Opening Session Daniel Casas-Valle Plenary Session - SOCIAL Agustina Martire Margarida Marques David Sim Sara Sucena (moderator)
11.00-11.30	Coffee break
11.30-13.00	Plenary session - NATURE Marta Garcia Chico Robert Broesi Rosário Salema Ivo Oliveira (moderator)
13.00-14.30	Lunch
14.30-16.00	Plenary session - MOBILITY Michael Glotz-Richter Giacomo Gallo João Rafael Santos Nuno Lavrador Mário Alves (moderator)
16.00-16.30	Coffee break
16.30-18.00	Plenary session - TRANSITION Maria Vassilakou Demetrio Scopelliti Daniel Casas-Valle (moderator)
18.00	Closing session - WHAT'S NEXT Daniel Casas-Valle / Ivo Oliveira
19.30	Dinner (optional)

Parallel sessions: will be held in four meeting rooms at Palácio Vila Flor.
 Poster sessions: the posters will be exhibited in the main atrium of the Auditorium.

DAY I
26 JUNE 2025
PLENARY SESSIONS
9.15-11.00 + 16.30-18.00

9.15-11.00

Opening Session

Ana Cotter, Councillor on Urbanism, Guimarães municipality

Paulo Cruz, President, School of Architecture, Art and Design at the University of Minho (EAAD), Guimarães

João Cabeleira, Director, Lab2PT is the Landscape, Heritage and Territory Laboratory, Guimarães

Ivo Oliveira, Architect / Associate Professor, EAAD / Lab2PT / the Future Design of Streets association, Porto

Opening presentation

The architecture of the road before and after the automobile - Eric Alonso, Architect / Full Professor, École d'architecture de la ville & des territoires Paris-Est, Université Gustave Eiffel, Créteil

16.30-18.00

ROADS TO STREETS

METREX*

Olga Pereira, Deputy Mayor, Braga municipality, Braga

Maria João Matos, Directorate-General for Territory (DGT), National URBACT Point, Lisbon

José Manuel Ferreira, Urbanist, Urbact Ri-Connect project, Matosinhos

Sandeep Shingadia, Director of Strategic Partnerships & Integration at Transport for West Midlands (Greater Birmingham)

Paul Lecroart, Senior Urbanist L'Institut Paris Region, Paris

Henk Bouwman, Secretary General METREX - Network of European Metropolitan Regions and Areas, Lyon

Daniel Casas-Valle (moderator), Urban designer / Planner, the Future Design of Streets association / Urban Dynamics, Porto

DAY II
27 JUNE 2025
PLENARY SESSIONS
ALL DAY: 9.15-18.30

9.15-9.30

Opening Session

The beauty of Streets - Daniel Casas-Valle, Urban designer / Planner, the Future Design of Streets association / Urban Dynamics, Porto

9.30-11.00

SOCIAL

Everyday streets - Agustina Martire, Architect / Reader in Architecture, Queens University Belfast, Belfast

Cities designed by those who live them - Margarida Marques, Architect, Rés do Chão, Lisbon

Softer Streets make Softer Cities - David Sim, Creative Director, Think Softer Planning AB, Lund

Sara Sucena (moderator), Architect / Associate Professor, Universidade Fernando Pessoa, Porto

11.30-13.00

NATURE

Green Capital Stories - Marta Garcia Chico, Agricultural engineer / Landscape architect, Grupo Aranea, Alicante

Water as a social design challenge - Robert Broesi, Urban designer, Must Städtebau, Cologne

From the river to the Mountain - Rosário Salema, Landscape architect, Lisbon municipality, Lisbon

Ivo Oliveira (moderator), Architect / Associate Professor, EAAD / Lab2PT / the Future Design of Streets association, Porto

14.30-16.00

MOBILITY

Limited street space: Modules to reclaim street space from parked cars

- **Michael Glotz-Richter**, Mobility Consultant, Gloricon Glotz-Richter Consult, Bremen

Streets & Urban Logistics - Giacomo Gallo, Architect, New Environments, Amsterdam

Towards an walkable and active mobility public space in Lisbon metropolitan area

- **João Rafael Santos**, Architect / Associate Professor, Lisbon School of Architecture, Lisbon University, Lisbon

Active transportation: why counting data is key? - Nuno Lavrador (sponsor), Specialist in pedestrian and bicycle data, Eco-Counter

Mário Alves (moderator), Transport and mobility specialist / Secretary-General of the International Federation of Pedestrians, Lisbon

16.30-18.00

TRANSITION

Mission Possible! Rethinking our Streets as Places for urban Life - Maria Vassilakou, Urban Consulting GmbH, Vienna Solutions, Vienna

Milan | Piazza Aperte, Tactical urbanism as a strategy - Demetrio Scopelliti, Architect, Director of Urban Planning and Public Space at the City of Milan's Agency for Mobility, Environment and Territory (AMAT) Milan

Daniel Casas-Valle (moderator), Urban designer / Planner, the Future Design of Streets association / Urban Dynamics, Porto

18.00-18.30

What's Next

Daniel Casas-Valle, Urban designer / Planner, the Future Design of Streets association / Urban Dynamics, Porto + **Ivo Oliveira**, Architect / Associate Professor, EAAD / Lab2PT / the Future Design of Streets association, Porto

DAY I

26 JUNE 2025

PARALLEL SESSIONS #1

11.30-13.00

#1 MOBILITY

Viktoria Shafarenko, Customizing Urban Navigation: AI-Powered Walking as a Service (WaaS)

Marcela Percu, Along the banks of Via de Cintura Interna: A 5 step strategy for transforming an expressway into an urban avenue.

Chris Visser, Design in Time

Inês Galvão, Walkability for Active Ageing: Fostering Inclusive and Equitable Design in Metropolitan Peripheries

Adam Tranter, How Pluralistic Ignorance is Holding Back Active Mobility

#2 SOCIAL

Inês Sarti Pascoal, Contribution to the inclusion of a gender perspective in bicycle mobility policies: the case of the Lisbon Metropolitan Area

David Ortega-Martinez, "De Straat: Vorm Van Samenleven", a Pioneering Exhibition of Street Design.

Olaf Gabriel Dilling, School streets and playing areas on public streets. A comparative (legal) perspective

Pieter de Haan, Communities are formed by people, not by bricks

Rute Nieto Ferreira, Streets Unlocked: Transforming Streets into Public Spaces for Local Communities

#3 SOCIAL

Eva Rusch, Social Street Design Activating urban communities through multi-layered engagement in Cologne's Steubenstraße

Leonel Alegre, Feira da Cadeira: reviving a dormant square through a community-driven market

Diana Gouveia, Between Street and Building: The Role of Façades in Redefining Streetscapes and Urban Life

Margarida Lopes, Da Rua à Atracção Turística: A Transformação do Bairro de São Lázaro em Macau

Ana Bonifácio, Emotions of the street: where morphology meets perception.... and beyond!

#4 SOCIAL / TRANSITIONS

Filipa Corais, Citizen Engagement and Socio-Cultural Transformation in the development of a Walkable City in Braga

Daniela Salazar, Urban Community Builder: an european profile for urban RegenerActions

Beatriz Vilarinho, Governance and Mobility Strategies

Catarina Breia Dias, Spaces for people, urban nature and sustainable mobility: analysis of city agendas and street interventions

Hara Liakou, Outta Climate Festival "Using art as a tool towards Vision Zero"

DAY I

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PARALLEL SESSIONS #2

14.30-16.00

#1 MOBILITY

Telmo Escapil-Inchauspé, Easy Ground: Redefining the Street in the Hyperconnected Metropolis

Kim Carlotta von Schönfeld, "Third Cultures" for Sustainable and Just Mobilities: Questioning the Origins, Uses and Futures of Streets

Catarina Cadima, An exploratory study of how people perceive the safety and comfort of walking on streets

Nazanin Moghaddam, From Empathy to Innovation: Designing Accessible Bus Interchanges for Suburban Rail Stations

Wouter Florizoone, Empowering civic engagement in the local mobility dialogue through citizen science and low-threshold data visualisations

#2 NATURE

Juan Luis Rivas Navarro, Rethinking significant streets as an essential part of the ecosystem structure of cities: components and relationships in the current context of climate emergency

Marcela Percu, An overview on Sustainable Street Design Indicators. A path for evaluating street transformation

Rita Araújo, Street tree characterization and selection for resilient urban environments: a case study in Matosinhos and Leça da Palmeira (Portugal)

Paulo Farinha-Marques, Criteria for defining 'streets suitable for tree planting': a model applied to Matosinhos and Leça da Palmeira (Portugal)

#3 TRANSITIONS / MOBILITY

Gargi Roy, Towards streets for people: Creating pathways of change

Manuel Caldeira, Closing the Gap Between Urban Transition and Organizational Theories: Sense-making in Barcelona Superblocks

Maria Ângela Cunha, European-funded urban interventions in Portuguese cities: promoters of change or imposed transitions?

Reena Mahajan, From StreetFight to StreetSmart: Creating Cultural Momentum for Change

Chris Visser, Traffic Pollutin

#4 TRANSITIONS / MOBILITY

Simon De Boeck, From Superislands to Green Axes. The Conceptual Iteration of Barcelona's Superblocks.

Luis Barraza Cardenas, Gender-Sensitive Street Design in Oaxaca: Transitioning to Inclusive Urban Spaces

Francisca Magalhães, Reclaiming the Heart of the City: Integrating Mobility, Nature and Heritage in Vila Nova de Famalicão's Central Squares

Juliana Carvalho, An Educational Project Moving Beyond Walkability to Create Enjoyable Streets for Children and Communities

John Dales, How to Talk to People About the Future of Their Streets



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