

SMUS Conference 2024, Thailand

Event Schedule

PhD Day, Advanced Method Courses, SMUS General Assembly, & Ethnographic Excursions

Day 1: 23 July 2024		
Time	Program	Location
11.00 AM – 04.00 PM	PhD Day (workshop) by Prof. Dr. Gabriela Christmann, Professor of Sociology, Technische Universität Berlin	Room 515, 5th floor, Kasem Utthayanin Building, Faculty of Political Science

Day 2: 24 July 2024		
Time	Program	Location
09.00 AM – 04.00 PM	Method Courses	5th floor, Kasem Utthayanin Building, Faculty of Political Science
	Grounded Theory & Situational Analysis by Prof. Dr. Jörg Strübing (University of Tübingen, Germany)	Room 507
	Research Design by Prof. Dr. Claire Wagner (University of Pretoria, South Africa)	Room 508
	Ethnography of Urban Material Circulation by Prof. Dr. Atsuro Morita (Osaka University, Japan)	Room 509
	Game:Space:Match – Games as tools for teaching, research and design in architecture and urban planning by Prof. Dr. Marta Brković Dodig (FMK, Singidunum University, Serbia, and EPFL / EMPA, Switzerland)	Room 510

Day 3: 25 July 2024

Time	Program	Location
09.00 AM – 04.00 PM	Method Courses	5th floor, Kasem Utthayanin Building, Faculty of Political Science
	Grounded Theory & Situational Analysis by Prof. Dr. Jörg Strübing (University of Tübingen, Germany)	Room 507
	Videography and the Analysis of Interaction by Dr. René Tuma (Technische Universität Berlin, Germany)	Room 514
	Vital Spaces: Wellbeing, mental health and the City by Prof. Dr. Steven Brown	Room 515
	Game:Space:Match – Games as tools for teaching, research and design in architecture and urban planning by Prof. Dr. Marta Brković Dodig (FMK, Singidunum University, Serbia, and EPFL / EMPA, Switzerland)	Room 510
	Mobile Workshop	Room 508
04.00 – 06.00 PM	SMUS General Assembly	Alumni Meeting Room, 12th Floor, Kasem Utthayanin Building, Faculty of Political Science
06.00 – 08.00 PM	SMUS Partner Meet & Greet Dinner	Building, Faculty of Political Science

Main Conference Day

Day 4: 26 July 2024						
Time	Program					
07.30 – 08.00 AM	Registration: Plenary Hall, 13th Floor					
08.00 – 08.30 AM	Opening Ceremony by Associate Professor Dr. Pakorn Siriprakob, Dean of the Faculty of Political Science					
	Welcome address by Sherif Azab-Els, Senior Desk Officer, exceed, DAAD					
08.30 – 09.30 AM	Keynote Session 1 “Spatial Cleansing: Erasing and Constructing Future Pasts” By Prof. Dr. Michael Herzfeld					
09.30 – 10.00 AM	Break					
10.00 AM -05.00 PM	Parallel session: 5th Floor and 6th Floor					
	5th Floor			6th Floor		
Time	Room 507	Room 508	Room 509	Room 607	Room 608	Room 609
10.00 – 10.30 AM	A1 E1 From Decolonizing Methodology to Knowledge Cultures [Gulnara Mendikulova and Angelika Poferl]	B4 Who and How Should we Include in Methodological Tools? Towards the Integration of Stakeholders and Different Approaches for Spatial Knowledge Construction [Sirima Thongsawang]	C4 I2 (1) Mapping the Socio-Spatial Transformation of Public Space & Urban Assemblage: Interrogating Transdisciplinary Methodological Approaches to Researching the City Environments [Shamin Golrokh, Maryam Saedi, Anthony Mavuto Gunde, and Victor Chikaipa]	D3 Language and Social Research [Gabriel Faimau, Nina Baur, Silke Steets and Daddy Dibinga Kalamba]	G2 Strategies of Data Collection, Storage and Access in Psychology and Related Discipline [Manish Kumar Asthana]	H2 Urban Mobility Studies: Methodological Enquiry from Social Science and Human-Centric Approaches [Gaurav Raheja]
10.30 – 11.00 AM						
11.00 – 11.30 AM						
11.30 AM – 12.00 PM						

12.00-1.00 PM	Lunch: 13th Floor and 12th Floor					
01.00- 01.30 PM	A3 E2 Decolonizing Social Science Methodology and the Global South – Methods from, by and/or for the Global South & How International is Interpretive Social Research? [Idongesit Eshiet]	B3 Social Inequality in Field Work – Handling Researchers’ Positionality in Research [Nina Baur, Gabriel Faimau, Daddy Dibinga Kalamba and Lucas Cé Sangalli]	C4 I2 (2) Mapping the Socio-Spatial Transformation of Public Space & Urban Assemblage: Interrogating Transdisciplinary Methodological Approaches to Researching the City Environments [Shamin Golrokh, Maryam Saedi, Anthony Mavuto Gunde, and Victor Chikaipa]	D5 Diverse Geographies, (Dis)similar Empirics: Exploring Climate Risks and Resilience in Urban Deltas Using ‘Comparative Urbanism’ Approach [[Jenia Mukherjee and Wiwandari Handayan]	G1 Methodological Challenges in Spatial Method: A Quantitative Approach [Pratik Kumar Singh]	H3 Comparative Study about ‘Leaving’ and ‘Living’: Housing and Young People in Asia [Mihye Cho]
01.30- 02.00 PM						
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02.30- 03.00 PM						
03.00-03.30 PM	Break					
03.30-04.00 PM	K2 Feminist Participatory Methods for Gender-Inclusive Urban Planning and Design [Megha Tyagi and Inês Martina Lersch]	B1 Key Ethical Principles in Protecting Research Subjects: Accommodating Research Ethics from Global South [Ndwana Keabaka Tsimanyane and Lynne CK Mosomane]	Action 5 Contagious Strategies for Wicked Urban Problems	D4 Comparative Urbanism and Qualitative Social Research [Agatha Nthenge]	M2 Methods in Food Studies Research [Fraya Frehse]	
04.00-04.30 PM						
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05.00-07.00 PM	SMUS Conference Dinner: Green lawn near the Faculty of Political Science					

Day 5: 27 July 2024						
Time	Program					
08.00 – 08.30 AM	Registration: Plenary Hall, 13th Floor					
08.30 – 09.30 AM	Keynote Session 2 “Spatial Methods for Cities in Precarious Present” By Prof. Dr. AbdouMaliq Simone					
09.30 – 10.00 AM	Break					
10.00 AM -05.00 PM	Parallel session: 5th Floor and 6th Floor					
	5th Floor			6th Floor		
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10.00 – 10.30 AM	E4 A5 Urban Ethnography – Practical Experiences, Lessons, and Challenges of the Research Method & The Decolonization of Spatial Ethnography: Perspectives and Limits [Steve Tonah & Elettra Griesi]	B2 B2 In the Field – Experiences in Conducting Research in the Global South [Wolfgang Aschauer and Thomas Herdin]	C3 Cities and Communities: Unpacking the Contested Urban in South Asia [Anshu Saluja and Sunit Arora]	L2 Methodological Challenges, Overlaps, and Misunderstandings between Planning and the Social Sciences Mixed / Methods Use in Conservation Outcomes and Local Governance Assessment in Sustainable Forest Management [Ariane Sept and Jacques du Toit]	F3G6 Mapping, Social Mapping, Participatory Methods, Spatial Research, Planning & Data-Driven Smart Community Design [Mitchell de Sousa]	H1 (Re-)Thinking Methods for Migration Research [Esteban Perez Gnavi]
10.30 – 11.00 AM						
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11.30 AM – 12.00 PM						
12.00-01.00 PM	Lunch: 13th Floor and 12th Floor					

01.00 – 01.30 PM	<p>L6 A6 Teaching Spatial Methods and Urban Sustainability in Different Contexts & Decolonising the Canon for Methods Training [Kenneth Malefane Maine, Estelle Kouokam, Idongesit Eshiet and Ariane Sept]</p>	<p>Action 4 Spatial Methods Go Global and Transdisciplinary: SMUS Action 4-Outcome Showcase</p>	<p>J1 J5 Design Methods for Accessibility and Social Inclusion & Well-Being in Socio-Spatial Contexts – Participatory Research Methods and Tools [Angela Million, Marta Brkovic Dodig, and Gaurav Raheja]</p>	<p>E5 Ethnography as Spatial-Temporal Method for Research on Urban Public Space [Fraya Frehse and Mariano Perelman]</p>	<p>G4G5 Digital Transformations and Datafication in the Cities: challenges for data collection, data analysis, and data governance [Gabriel Faimau, Langtone Maunganidze, and Dennis Zuev]</p>	<p>I1I2 Decoding the City: Entanglements of the Material and Affective & Urban Assemblage: Interrogating Transdisciplinary Methodological Approaches to Researching the City Environments [Aditya Mohanty, Wolfgang Aschauer, Anthony Mavuto Gunde and Victor Chikaipa]</p>
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03.00 – 03.30 PM	Break					
03.30 – 04.00 PM	<p>K4 Implementing Gender Sensitive Research Methods [Salma Mekkes and Lorena Dini]</p>	<p>K1 Engendering Urban Governance and Planning in the Global South: Methodological Issues and Challenges [Varsha Prasad and Binitha V Thampi]</p>	<p>L5 Sustainability and Resilience of Cities [Robert Cowley]</p>	<p>M4 Methods for Studying Religions and Religious/Sacred Spaces [Gabriel Faimau and Silke Steets]</p>	<p>M3 Methods in Deviance Research [Khumo Mothwari]</p>	
04.00 – 04.30 PM						
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Day 6: 28 July 2024						
Time	Program					
08.00 – 08.30 AM	Registration: Plenary Hall, 13th Floor					
08.30 – 09.30 AM	Keynote Session 3 “Spatial Methods for Cities in an Uncertain Future” By Prof. Dr. Niramon Serisakul					
09.30 – 10.00 AM	Break					
10.00 AM – 05.00 PM	Parallel session: 5th Floor and 6th Floor					
	5th Floor			6th Floor		
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10.00 – 10.30 AM	J2 J3 J4 Spatial Methods in Healthcare Research & Dialogues between Health, Urbanity, and the Environment: Applying Mixed Methods Approach and Findings [Cornelia Thierbach and Faith Ndungi]	K3 Between Precarity and Formality: Interrogating the Gendered Spaces of Informality in the Global South [Edlyne Anugwom and Wiwandari Handayani]	C1 Methodologies for the Investigation of Spatial Transformation Processes [Gabriela Christmann]	L3 Historical and Contextual Uses of Planning and their Methods [Lê Anh Đức, Nguyễn Thị Bích Ngọc and Ingmar Ehler]	G7 Understanding Influencers of Fast Urbanization using Non-survey Data [Elias Peter Mwakilama]	I3 Experimenting with Methods for Entangled Areas and Critical Zones [Jakkrit Sangkhamanee and Casper Bruun Jensen]
10.30 – 11.00 AM						
11.00 – 11.30 AM						
11.30 AM – 12.00 PM						
12.00-1.00 PM	Lunch: 13th Floor and 12th Floor					
01.00- 02.00 PM	Closing Ceremony: Plenary Hall, 13th Floor					

Ethnographic Excursions

(Tentative) *** All programs are subject to change.

Day 7: 29 July 2024		
Cultural Heritage, Multiculturalism, and Urban Transformation		
Time	Program	Note
08.30 – 09.00 AM	A talk with Prof. Michael Herzfeld on the eviction of the Pom Mahakan Community and the challenges of preserving cultural heritage and communities in the face of urban development pressures in Bangkok.	Ground hall of the faculty of Political Science (near the Amazon Cafe)
09.00 – 10.00 AM	Travel to Pom Mahakan Fort	
10.00 – 11.30 AM	Visit Rattanakosin Exhibition Hall	
11.30 AM – 12.00 PM	visit the Flower Market (Pak Klong Talad)	
12.00 – 1.00 PM	Have lunch at a local restaurant near the Flower Market and discuss observations and experiences from the morning.	TBC
01.00 – 02.00 PM	Visit Wat Prayurawongsawas	
02.00 – 03.00 PM	Visit Santa Cruz Church	
03.00 – 04.00 PM	Visit Baan Kudichin Museum	
04.00 – 05.00 PM	Visit Kian An Keng Shrine	
From 5:00 PM onwards	Regroup and discuss the day's findings	nearby cafe or gathering space

Day 8: 30 July 2024		
Urban gentrification, Humans and Nonhumans		
Time	Program	Note
08.00 – 08.30 AM	Introduce the topic of urban gentrification and its impacts on people, ecology, and urban wildlife in Bangkok.	Meet at the lobby of Mandarin Hotel Samyan
08.30 – 09.00 AM	Visit the Ari neighborhood by Taking the MRT and then BTS, from Sam Yan Station to Ari Station.	
09.00 AM – 12.00 PM	Meet with representatives from the Ari Ecowalk group and Explore Ari Ecowalk	
12.00 – 01.30 PM	Lunch at a local restaurant	TBC
01.30 – 02.00 PM	Take the BTS Skytrain from Ari Station to Saphan Taksin Station	
02.00 – 03.30 PM	Explore the Charoen Krung neighborhood,	

03.30 – 05.00 PM	Visit the TCDC (Thailand Creative & Design Center) in the Grand Postal Building	
	Take the BTS Skytrain from Saphan Taksin Station, then change to the MRT and return to Sam Yan Station.	
	back to the Mandarin Hotel Samyan and conclude the excursion with a debriefing session.	the lobby of Mandarin Hotel Samyan

Day 9: 31 July 2024

Bangkok's Green Spaces

Time	Program	Note
09.00 – 09.30 AM	Introduce the topic of green space in Bangkok. Divide the group into smaller teams of 4-5 people.	Meet at the lobby of Mandarin Hotel Samyan
09.30 – 10.30 AM	Visit Hua Lamphong Temple Pocket Park	
10.30 – 11.00 AM	Take the MRT from Sam Yan Station to Silom Station. Walk to Lumpini Park	
11.00 – 12.00 PM	Explore Lumpini Park	
12.00 – 01.00 PM	Lunch at a local restaurant near Lumpini Park.	TBC
01.00 – 02.30 PM	Take the MRT from Silom Station to Queen Sirikit National Convention Centre Station and Visit Benjakitti Park.	
02.30 – 04.00 PM	Take the BTS Skytrain from Asok Station to Chong Nonsi Station and visit Chong Nonsi Canal Park	
From 5:00 PM onwards	Regroup and discuss the day's findings	

Day 10: 1 August 2024

Urban Canal and Riparian Communities

Time	Program	Note
08.30 AM	Depart with the chartered bus to Tha Chang Pier.	Meet at the lobby of Mandarin Hotel Samyan
09.00 AM	Arrive at Tha Chang Pier and Begin the boat journey along the Chao Phraya River	
10.00 – 10.30 AM	Enter Klong Bangkok Noi and explore the canal	
10.30 – 11.00 AM	Visit Wat Suwannaram	
11.00 AM – 12.00 PM	Continue the boat ride along Klong Bangkok Noi, stopping at Baan Silapin (Artist House).	
12.00 – 01.00 PM	lunch at a local restaurant	TBC
01.00 – 02.00 PM	Return to the Chao Phraya River and visit Wat Kalayanamit	

02.00 – 03.00 PM	Continue the boat journey along the Chao Phraya River, passing by other notable temples and historic sites, such as Wat Arun and the Royal Barges National Museum.	
03.00 – 04.00 PM	Enter Klong Mon and explore the canal	
04:00 – 05.00 PM	Return to the Chao Phraya River and conclude the boat journey	
05.00 PM	Disembark at Tha Chang Pier and board the chartered bus back to the Mandarin Hotel Samyan.	