# BLOXHUB Summer School on Urban Resilience

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### Target groups

- Practitioners
- Policy makers
- Researchers

The summer school aims at providing multi-disciplinary knowledge and perspectives on the different global and local challenges for urban resilience in the Global South and North. The training is organized as a series of lectures and work in small groups to respond to a problem-based challenge. The participants will gain necessary competences to develop informed policies, strategies, plans and solutions for urban resilience, at the time of Covid-19.

#### Fee: 300€

 Available fee waiver for applicants from the Global South

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# Foreword

BLOXHUB Summer School on Urban Resilience 2020 was a second edition and was organized responding to the Cities-IPCC call for fostering dialogue between practitioners, policy makers and researchers; to develop and promote peer-to-peer learning across regions, sectors and disciplines to support climate actions.

Following the challenge imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic and relative constraints in our personal and professional lives, it was not be possible to realize the BLOXHUB Summer School on-site as originally planned. At the same time, the relevance and the importance of this training course, as an opportunity to exchange experiences, discussing challenges and solutions among participants was indeed timely, relevant and needed; as COVID-19 exposed

the vulnerability of cities and human settlements worldwide. Thereby the training was adapted to the current circumstances to hold it on-line and addressing specifically the urban resilience challenges posed by the pandemic.

The summer School brought 25 policy makers, researchers and practitioners from 18 countries and 4 continents, during on-line learning process spread across 5 weeks from 28 May till 26 of June 2020. The summer school aimed at providing the participants with the latest knowledge on urban resilience research, practice and policies and to codevelop their competencies by working on problem-based challenge, responding to the challenge of analysing and understanding the current pandemic crises. Ultimately, participants identified lessons learned on how to make cities resilient in face of multiple and diverse crisis, including climate change.

I would like to congratulate the alumni of the BLOXHUB Summer School 2020 for an impressive outcome and to complement them on their wholeheartedly effort, collaborative skills, openness throughout the entire process, during the on-line time spend together. I would like to thank sincerely our partner organizations, the members of Expert's Committee and the organizing committee for their dedication, support and work that made possible the organization of the summer school in challenging times. I look forward to continued collaboration towards 2020 and onwards!

Nicola Tollin

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# 1. Rationale – Urban Resilience

Today over 50% of world population lives in urban areas, and cities account for 60-80% of global energy consumption and the same level of greenhouse gases missions, producing 50% of global waste, consuming 75% of natural resources and producing 80% of global GDP. Cities and their populations are vulnerable and increasingly exposed to rapid and slow on-setting climate and environmental disasters, which frequency and intensity is growing exponentially. Cities are also major centers of economic activity, social life and culture, innovation and knowledge-creation. The scientific research on urban resilience has been exponentially growing in the last decade, parallelly a growing number of cities worldwide started developing resilience related plans and actions, following the recommendations and prescriptions national and international policies international policies, as: Sustainable Development Goals, Paris Agreement, New Urban Agenda and Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction.

The key challenge for urban resilience is to co-develop and harmonize scientific and practice led knowledge to support informed and science-based decision and policy making, to enable our cities to evolve and innovate.



Urban resilience aims at increasing the ability of urban systems, to respond systemically and dynamically to present and future shock and stresses related to major global challenges as: unsustainable development patterns, rapid and unplanned urbanization, climate change mitigation and adaptation.

Urban resilience is instrumental to address both causes and effects of these mayor global challenges, re-thinking the way in which cities are designed, planned and managed, at the same time fostering innovation.



# 2. Summer school's goal

The BLOXHUB Summer School on Urban Resilience 2020 brought together researchers, practitioners and policymakers from 28st May to 26th June 2020. The summer school provided the participants with the latest knowledge on urban resilience research, practice and policies through lectures of lead experts; and aimed to co-develop their skills and knowledge by working in small groups for responding to the challenge of analysing and understanding the current pandemic crises and to define lessons learn and recommendations that can make cities more resilient in face of multiple and diverse crises, including climate change.

The summer school goal was to bring together multi-disciplinary knowledge and perspectives, from science and practice, on the different global and local challenges faced by cities, and to provide a process design methodology and the necessary skills to developed informed policies, strategies, plans and solutions for urban resilience, that can be later used in the specific context of work of the participants.

The work in groups was organized through a process design methodology guiding the participants in addressing the challenge.

The lectures provided an overview on major international policies in relation to urban resilience (Sustainable Development Goals, Paris Agreement, New Urban Agenda and Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction), key practices worldwide including those developed in the frame of major international organizations and lead private sector organizations (e.g. UNDRR, UNESCO, UN-Habitat, Arup, ICLEI, WWF, et al.), and the latest developments and perspectives for research.

The lectures also addressed key cross-sectorial and thematic issues, for example, including multi-level governance, finance, generation of cobenefits, nature-based solutions, appropriate technology, participatory processes and stakeholder's involvement, planning and design.



# 3. Learning objectives





KNOWLEDGE The basis of urban resilience science, and the development of resilience research in different disciplinary contexts;

> International policies (Sustainable Development Goals, Paris Agreement, New Urban Agenda and Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction);

> National policies regarding climate adaptation and mitigation, including urban content of Nationally Determined Contributions and urban aspects of National Adaptations Plan and Policies;

Urban resilience practices with specific case studies from cities worldwide, including strategic plans, action plans, and technological solutions

#### COMPETENCIES

Process design methodology for urban resilience;

System thinking for the analysis of urban shock and stresses;

Different future scenarios methods: forecasting, visioning and backcasting

CROSS-SECTORIAL & THEMATIC ISSUES Multilevel governance, Finance, Generation of co-benefits, Appropriate technology, Participatory processes and stakeholder involvements, Planning and design

# 4. Webinars

# Webinar series: Urban Resilience

Starting 28 May 2020

https://tinyurl.com/yb3dqffd

Facing global crisis at the time of pandemic.

This webinar series is intended as a space for an emergent dialog between policy makers, researchers, and practitioners debating how urban resilience can increase the ability of urban systems to respond to major global challenges.

The webinar series debates on ways to design future urban systems, with adequate levels of preparedness and response to crises in the short and long term.



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# Summary of the Webinar series

#### **#1 WEBINAR**

Facing global crisis at time of pandemic: research, practice and policy perspectives

#### WEBINAR #2

Learning from crisis: resilient leadership and positive transformation

#### **#3 WEBINAR**

Incremental and radical solutions for critical infrastructures

WEBINAR #4 Just transition facing global crises: social (in) justice and (in)formalities

#### #5 WEBINAR

Tools and methods for making cities sustainable and resilient

### WEBINAR #6

Harmonizing multi-level governance: vertical and horizontal integratio

#### **#7 WEBINAR**

Tools and methods for climate action plans and transformative participation

#### WEBINAR #8

Learning from crisis: resilient leadership and positive transformation

**#9 WEBINAR** Finance and jobs for just transition

#### WEBINAR #10

Envisioning the future and enabling paradigm shift

# #1 WEBINAR Facing global crisis at time of pandemic: research, practice and policy perspectives

28 May 2020, 09:30 – 11:30 CET

This first webinar set the scene for the webinar series URBAN RESILIENCE: facing global crisis at the time of pandemic, with a lively discussion intended to provide a broad overview on urban resilience, and the capacity of cities to address causes and effects of mayor global challenges, specifically learning from the current global pandemic crises. The panellists discussed different perspectives and experiences from the point of view of practice, policymaking and research.

The discussion illustrated a reality snapshot at the ground level, efforts, gaps, and opportunities to increase the ability of urban systems, to respond systemically and dynamically to present and future shock and stresses related to the major global challenges.

Citing directly one of our panellists: 'building resilient cities [must happen] not tomorrow, but now. It's not easy. Globally, humanity is enduring one of the most difficult moments in decades. The experience is particularly bewildering for younger generations, who have never encountered challenge of this magnitude before' (Esteban Leon, UN Habitat, Urban resilience Hub).

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# WEBINAR #2 Learning from crisis: resilient leadership and positive transformation

1st June 2020, 16:30-18:30 CET



### Dr Sara Candiracci Associate Director Inclusive and resilient cities lead - International Development ARUP



**Seth Schultz** Global Executive Director The Resilience Shift



Monica Pandele MBA, MPA Sustainability consultant Presidio Graduate School Moderator The 2nd webinar of the series was a collaborative initiative between The Resilience Shift and ARUP, and it tackled various aspects of the Covid-19 crisis, and its implications for cities and private sector organisations, including the role of leadership in grasping the opportunity that the crisis presents, to emerge positively, and transform our urban systems from infrastructure to urban spaces. Decisions that are made now will have long term implications for resilience.

Seth Schultz, Executive Director, the Resilient Shift, who brings a vast experience in urban sustainability, a catalyst for resilient urban systems, shared details of an ongoing study of resilient leadership, decision-making in times of crisis, and the lessons that are emerging.

Sara Candiracci, Associate Director, Arup, where she leads the Inclusive and Resilient Cities portfolio of Arup International Development, discussed opportunities for transformation of urban centres, through the unique perspective of children and what this means for the broader society.

# #3 WEBINAR Incremental and radical solutions for critical infrastructures

4 June, 9:30-11:30 CET

Delivering adequate infrastructure solutions implies an understanding of urban needs today and predicting what might be needed, and what we might be challenged with in the future. Defining 'adequate' should rely on a clear appreciation of the extent of future disturbances we account for, the level of standards we build to, and the environmental, social and economic factors we include.

In this webinar, we discussed the benefits of resilient infrastructure standards, the opportunities offered by radical infrastructure alternatives such as nature based solutions (NBS), and the need to reassess the role of critical infrastructure and interdependence between infrastructure sectors, in order to prepare and respond fast in moments of crises.

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# WEBINAR #4 Just transition facing global crises: social (in)justice and (in)formalities

8 June, 16:30 - 18:30 CET



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Ass. Prof. in Regional and Urban Planning, . Interuniversity Department of Regional and Urban Studies and Planning, Politecnico di Torino, R3C. Moderator The 4th webinar: Just transition facing global crises: social (in)justice and (in)formalities, tackled the fundamental issue of just transition, and the importance of considering social aspects, as well as to remember the funding principles of sustainability and development, when facing urban crises. The discussion reflected on how the most vulnerable parts of the urban population, particularly in informal settlements, were affected and responded to the pandemic. The session aimed to understand how to strength social justice in facing major global challenges and crises. The panelists brought together different perspective and exchange experiences from practice, policy and research.

# #5 WEBINAR Tools and methods for making cities sustainable and resilient

11 June, 09:00 – 11:00 CET

The 5th webinar "Tools and methods for making cities sustainable and resilient " presented two tools for urban resilience developed by UNDRR an UN-Habitat respectively.

The UNDRR's Disaster Resilience Scorecards for Cities developed for supporting the reporting and implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction: 2015-2030, and including an addendum on public health.

The Un-Habitat's City Resilience Profiling Tool providing cities the necessary framework to evaluate urban resilience and to guide the development of tailored action plans.

#### Amaya Celaya Alvarez

Urban Resilient Senior expert (United Nations /European Commission – H2020 + CORDIS + Urban Innovative Actions Programmes – International Standards Organization)



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### Mrudhula Koshy PHD Research Fellow at Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) Moderator



# WEBINAR #6 Harmonizing multi-level governance: vertical and horizontal integration

15 June, 16:30 - 18:30 CET



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Jenna Dutton Research Coordin

Research Coordinator, Urban Policy Platform, School of Public Policy, University of Calgary Moderator The 6th webinar "Harmonizing multi-level governance: vertical and horizontal integration" aimed at discussing barriers and opportunities for multi-level governance, strengthening the collaboration between: international, national and sub-national levels; mainstream urban resilience across departments within the same administration; favor the collaboration with stakeholders. Ultimately the webinar discussed the importance of multi-level governance for empowering action for urban resilience.

# #7 WEBINAR Tools and methods for climate action plans and transformative participation

18 June, 09:30 – 11:30 CET

The 7th webinar "Tools and methods for climate action plans and transformative participation" aimed at presenting and discussing three different tools/approaches to enhance urban resilience at local level through capacity building and action plans. Climate Technology Centre and Network / Anthesis Lavola focused on conducting diagnosis of vulnerability to climate change and developing energy and climate action plans; Adapt-Chile addressed the value of ludic approaches for enhancing participation, specifically in groups where hierarchies may limit interaction; UN-Habitat presented the CityRAP tool for training city managers and municipal technicians to understand and plan actions aimed at reducing risk and building resilience through the elaboration of a City Resilience Action Plan.

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# WEBINAR #8 Learning from crisis: resilient leadership and positive transformation

22 June, 16:30 - 18:30 CET



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**Rojina Manandhar** Programme Officer, Adaptation Programme United Nations Climate Change Secretariat



**Magnus Qvant** Co-Founder, Nordic Urban Resilience Institute (NURI) Moderator The 8th webinar "Knowledge brokerage through partnerships and networks" discussed how networks and partnerships can strength urban resilience transition through exchange of knowledge.

The panellist shared their direct experience from a practice and policy-making perspective, including on: establishing bilateral cityto-city partnerships, participation in multi-city networks and global initiatives as the Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability, and adaptation to climate change, the UNFCCC knowledge-to-action hub for climate resilience and adaptation.

# #9 WEBINAR Finance and jobs for just transition

25 June, 09:00 – 11:00 CET

The 9th webinar "Finance and jobs for just transition" tackled key aspects related to finance, insurance and jobs in the frame of just resilient transition, more specifically how urban climate investment can support a green and just transition; the relation between built environment, urban livelihoods and labour; financial risk transfer mechanisms, social bonds and climate risk insurance.

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Dražen Kučan Sector Lead, Senior Urban and Energy Efficiency Specialist Green Climate Fund

Edmundo de Werna Magalhães Head of Unit, Team Leader, Chief Technical Advisor and Senior Specialist ILO-UN (International Labour Office, United Nations)






## WEBINAR #10 Envisioning the future and enabling paradigm shift

26 June, 10:30 - 11:30 CET



#### **Martin Frick**

Deputy to the UN Secretary General's Special Envoy for the Food System Summit 2021 United Nations



Nicola Tollin Professor wsr in Urban Resilience IURA Coordinator SDU Civil and Architectural Engineering University of Southern Denmark Moderator The 10th webinar "Envisioning the future and enabling paradigm shift" discussed how major global challenges, including: urbanization, sustainability, pandemics, development and climate change, are going to affect our future. The lessons learned from the current pandemic crises can help us to define how to enable a paradigm shift leading to a radical transformation of the way in which we image, plan, manage and live or cities.

### Alumni sessions

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL UNCERTAINTY**





#### 'LEARNING IN CRISIS' DURING THE COVID-19, A 'GLOBAL SOUTH' CASE STUDY, KERALA, INDIA

#### Mrudhula Koshy PHD Research Fellow Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)



#### CASE STUDY: SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL

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Urban resilience



#### COVID-19 RESPONSE MECHANISMS IN THE CITY OF LAGOS. NIGERIA www.arcticil.org

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- Freshroutes/ Leftovers YYC- 27.000
- Breweries making hand sanitizer
- "Porchraits" by donation, expanded across country
- Local scavenger hunts window art and painted rocks





#### COVID-19 IN CALGARY, CANADA

#### Jenna Dutton

Research Coordinator, Urban Policy Platform, School of Public Policy, University of Calgary

### Peer to peer learning sessions



#### CLIMATE CHANGE, VULNERABILITY AND RISK UN-HABITAT

#### Begoña Peiro Salvador

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Challenges	Mitigation
Inconsistent data quality- not easily verifiable	<ul> <li>Data collection process documented and field/partners are consistently trained</li> <li>Use of Data Quality Assurance guideline Proper use of IPTTs/ the same format (programme and MEL)</li> <li>Use of data collection through technology (Total reach; activity indicators)</li> </ul>
Analysis is shallow and sectors would like more depth	<ul> <li>Each sector to identify key areas of analysis (information that they CANNOT live without)</li> <li>Programmes to provide technical interpretation in initial reports e.g. Baseline, analysis documentation</li> </ul>
Because you aren't getting what you think you need from MEL some sectors would like to have their own sector specific MEL staff	<ul> <li>Before we can make this kind of decision we need to understand what type of information you need which you aren't getting. Can the MEL team's priorities be reorganised to meet your needs.</li> </ul>
Communications between MEL and programmes is challenging	Programmes and MEL to agree effective communication methods and when to collaborate
MEL team involved too late in the design and planning of projects thus are unable to be proactive in providing support- key activities are ad hoc when they could be planned in advance	A MEL activity calendar will be updated regularly and TAs should check this during project design. MEL should be involved before logframe design to explore opportunities for integrated MEL activities and capitalise on learning from previous projects.
MIS is a useful tool however, certain functionalities are not user friendly and therefore limits programme use	<ul> <li>Teams to propose improvements to the system to encourage use</li> <li>Information to be shared summarising the key findings every month</li> </ul>

#### New proposals for fresh food markets and urban gardens to fight food insecurity





#### MONITORING EVALUATION & LEARNING (MEL) PRACTICES

#### Nir Prasad Dahal

Monitoring Evaluation and Learning (MEL) Delegate American Red Cross, Philippines



PARTICIPATORY GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS (PGIS) FOR WATER-ENERGY-FOOD (WEF) NEXUS TOWARDS A SUSTAINABLE URBAN PLANNING

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### 5. Target groups

The summer school welcomed applicants with different disciplinary backgrounds and professions:

- Scientist and researchers: including PhD candidates, postdocs, research fellows and lecturers from universities and research organizations.
- **Practitioners**: including policymakers, from national and subnational governments and public organizations, officers from international and intergovernmental organizations, staff from private profit and non-profit organizations.
- **Participants with different disciplinary background** are welcome: including engineering, architecture, planning, environmental, economic and social sciences.



Country of origin

Country of work



## 5.1 Composition of groups

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Irina Pavlova Associate Programme Specialist UNESCO, France



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Shailendra K. Mandal Early career researcher and faculty, National Institute of Technology Patna, India The key challenge for urban resilience is to codevelop and harmonize scientific and practice led knowledge to support informed and science-based decision and policy making, to enable our cities to evolve and innovate.

The global pandemic of COVI-19 exposed the vulnerability of cities and human settlements worldwide, facing and responding to the pandemic. The whole urban system has been affected, including:

#### Urbs

The physical structures and infrastructures;

#### Polis

The policy and the decision making processes

#### Civitas

The social fabric and the human relations

#### Oikos

The ecological fabric, the environment and the natural resources

The economy, as the good management of resources and the economic activities



## 6. Challenge

The systemic understanding of how the pandemic affected these dimensions and their interrelations is still to be understood, this including both negative (stop of the economic activities) and positive feedback loops (reduction of pollution and GHG emissions).

The challenge is to:

- Analyse and understand how the pandemic affected our cities
- Analyse understand strength and weakness of the cities in facing the pandemic
- Foresee future challenges for the cities, both slow and rapid on-setting
- Foresee how the cities can dynamically adapt to future multiple crises
- Transfer lessons learned from the pandemic to increase urban resilience in relation to other global crisis
- Make recommendations to increase urban resilience, through strategies and action, considering knowledge gaps in policy, practice and research.

The purpose is to better understand how the pandemic crises affected the cities and how resilient were the cities in responding in the short and long term to this crises, as well as to understand in a future looking perspective how to enhance the resilience of cities facing diverse and multiple crises, especially climate change, based on the experience of this first global urban crisis.

Analyse vulnerabilities and impact of COVID-19 on cities, and how this affected urban resilience.

Understand how resilient cities are in the short and long terms response, including positive and negative aspects.

Envision medium- and long-term scenarios, about urban resilience of cities facing single and multiple crises.

Identify lessons learned from the pandemic that can be of use for addressing other crises, specifically climate change

Provide recommendations how to enhance urban resilience and how to facilitate urban resilience transition.

## 7. Process design

Three main steps: Diagnose; Envision; Intervene.



### Diagnose System Mapping

STEP 1. Analysis of topic/factor, symptoms and cause.

STEP 2. Answer to basic 5 whys, to move from problem to the root cause.

STEP 3. Identify and map stakeholders.

STEP 4. Problem/challenge statement (diving and restraining forces)

#### STEP 1

Starting from de decision of the topic, groups had to define direct causes, direct symptoms, indirect symptoms and underlying causes. Arrows rapresents connections. (from GROUP 2)



### Envision Forecasting/ Visioning

STEP 5. Explore trends and drivers - Trends wheel STEP 6. Expliring key uncertainties: 2x2 scenario development. STEP 7. STEEP approach to generate axes of uncertainty & scenarios STEP 8. SWOT analysis of the preferred scenario (vision)

#### STEP 5

Identifydrivers, trends and signals of change related to the exploring system, starting from the once identified by WBCSD for this decade. (from GROUP 3)



### **Envision**

### Collaboration with ARUP and The Resilience Shift

Digital mapping of complex urban systems and their interdependencies

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https://www.resilienceshift.org/digital-mapping-of-complex-urban-systemsand-their-interdependencies/

### Framework to guide resilience in an integrated way

STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3	STEP 4
System mapping	Interdependency analysis	Critical Systems Prioritization	Design integrated programme
<ul> <li>Resilience of what</li> <li>Resilience to what</li> <li>Resilience trought what</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Positive interdepend encies</li> <li>Cascading failure</li> <li>Failure mechanism</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Most influential elements</li> <li>Elements most important to human vulnerability</li> <li>Entry points</li> </ul>	



### Intervene

STEP 9. Describe intervention STEP 10. Monitoring & Evaluation STEP 11. Key performance questions

STEP 10 the theory of change and monitoring & evaluation approach.



What's the context, key dynamics and root causes?

#### Worksheet based on Hivos International - Visualisation of a Theory of Change

# 7. Group work

### #1 Group Water, the third thing

The cultural value of water as a driver for increasing urban resilience in informal settlements in Brazil

Group: Carolina Carvalho | Johanna Granados A. | Herve Alain Napi Wouapi | Eleanor Treadwell

In 2020, the Covid-19 virus global pandemic poses great challenges for the future(s) we dreamt of. As numbers rise and information is shared widely, the main recommendation issued by governments and organizations is to promote hygiene measures and maintain physical distance to avoid contagion. However, hygiene is not always possible when water is not available, and physical distance also poses a challenge when there is not enough room for a family living in a reduced space. This project aims to understand the possibilities to leverage a systemic change through increasing the cultural value of water, engaging local communities, and promoting a long term development vision.







### DIAGNOSE

Brainstorm: sentence and connection. Which system it will be?

#### INTERVENE The proposal



ASSUMPTION

WHAT



storage NbS

Perception of value Short term revaluation of Reduced purchase of increasing rainwater value water could hinder the through harvesting, perception of water as a finite resource. The positioning of an Willingness of stakeholders integrated NGO has the Limitations to local ability to build trust with participation and the local community and engagement, consider local government alternative entry points Rainfall is expected **Rainfall regime** to increase in Brazil, There is high confidence that changes in weather supply of rainwater is will have a negative impact not foreseen as a limiting on human health, consider

factor



"We know that you have precarious water access at your home. If you have water please share it with those who don't". #CoronaNasfavelas.

Source: https://www.ecodebate.com.br/

#### INTERVENE The Proposal

"The virus doesn't act alone, the virus exploits weak control," warned Ryan. "The virus exploits weak health systems. The virus exploits bad governance. The virus exploits lack of education, lack of empowerment of communities," he said. "That's the reality of the pandemic..."





### #2 Group Playful cities

Group: Filippo Bazzoni | Lea Kleinenkuhnen | Begoña Peiro | Irina Pavlova | Avinash Singh

**Public spaces and multiple crisis.** Parks, streets, squares, all our public spaces have been dramatically affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. These places were not considered safe enough and most of the countries worldwide implemented measures that restrict of forbid their usage. As a result, many of us ended up locked down in our homes in isolation or overcrowding, in situations that are very uncomfortable and unhealthy from many points of view.

This has given rise to innovative interventions from the city government level but also individual citizens and community groups, in a move to make more public spaces available while allowing for social distancing. Opening up lanes or whole streets, previously used by cars, to pedestrians and cyclists has suddenly become possible in a short period, parking spaces have been transformed into pop-up gardens or café terraces, and people have transformed their street into a picnic space.

Our group decided to build on these developments and to look at the system of public space, in order to explore how they can make cities more resilient, especially in times of pandemic.

We wanted our system to focus on COVID-19 and multi-hazard responsive public spaces, through a number of policies and interventions, in order to achieve socially inclusive, better integrated, better connected, environmentally sustainable and safe public spaces.

Public spaces are all places publicly owned or of public use, accessible and enjoyable by all for free and without a profit motive. Each public space has its own spatial, historic, environmental, social and economic features. (UN Habitat)



#### DIAGNOSE Impacts of Covid-19

Social activity in public spaces has been discouraged or forbidden.

Many people ended up in isolation or in crowded situations.

Signals of change: street closure in Madrid Informal appropriation of space in Milan





A city where all kids can play outdoors during a pandemic

GOAL

This will ensure increased availability of space open to everyone; designed for the many; in proximity and well connected to homes. IIt will also allow fast and flexible interventions in case needed.

## INTERVENTIONS

Promoting appropriation of spaces for children to play during a pandemic by combining financing options, identifying locations strategically, making it part of the design process and stimulating community ownership through place-making.


DIAGNOSE

Design. Combination of both short-term interventions and long-term strategic actions

# Short-term - Technical urbanism

Long-term - Strategic actions



## This is a world in which...

 people want to gather in public spaces but centrally-planned solutions don't cater to all communities and areas
 In this world we value...
 quick and large-scale solutions

The key trends/drivers are...

- quick (and cheap?) solutions, possibly copied from other places

# Desire of socialization

masses

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People scared

### This is a world in which...

- a sufficient number of good quality public spaces exist where people from all backgrounds can interact In this world we value...

- involvement of all groups in the design and upgrading of public spaces that are safe, socially inclusive and sustainable **The key trends/drivers are...** 

high demand for public spaces

### participatory planning

### This is a world in which...

centrally planned

solutions are thought for people to stay physically distanced, also with the help of technologies, private mobility is the norm
In this world we value...
physical distancing
The key trends/drivers are...

# This is a world in which...

- solutions are sought for people from all communities to access and use public spaces while keeping physical distances from others- e.g. dividers

### In this world we value...

-public spaces planned by and for everyone and physical distancing **The key trends/drivers are...** - fear of pandemic

ENVISIONING Exploring key uncertainties: scenario development



Propose/function of the system.

# #3 Group Women in the informal sector of urban global south

Group Lost & Found: Umberto Alibrandi | Rik Heinen | Maggie Ngwira | Lisa plattner | Indu valiaveetil

While the Novel Coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 seems to have brought the mightiest to their knees, it has also held up- for those who are willing to see- a mirror against the gaping rift between the haves and havenots. Whole nations have been under lock down and with the global economy capsizing, it felt as if the world was almost coming to a standstill. This "slow-down", a welcome pause for some, was nothing short of a terrifying calm for many.

As bleak headlines populated the media and the obituary column ran into tens of pages, it was evident that it wasn't just the virus that took lives, but hunger, abuse, stress, ignorance, all fuelled by crony capitalism and the sheer apathy of authorities. The cry for "inclusiveness" once again resurfaced, as always, after much of the harm was done.

It is in this context that we started off our exercise with a discussion on vulnerable communities and why leaving no one behind is inevitable for a truly resilient urban society.



Source: Francis Mascarenhas/Reuters





# WHAT?

DIAGNOSE

Group focus: Empathy and social inclusion as the central starting point

"How to harness the informal economy to support resilience building for women in the informal sector of the urban global south?"

with the vision of facilitating a

"Women-friendly, resilient informal economy through self- sustaining, green and, above all, just transition."

in order to overcome the shocks and stresses induced by

"the COVID-19 pandemic in specific and climate change in general."

System diagnosis question



### DIAGNOSE

Panel A. Including agriculture<sup>9</sup>





INTERVENE & LEARN Key performance questions.

	lf - Then Hypothesis	Because:	Key Questions	Key Assessment Methods and Indicators
first step: asking what their needs and aspirations are? based on that a skill learning program can be developed.	Our current thinking on how our programmatic actions in one leverage area in the system will affect adjacent areas of the system, how that will affect key dynamics, and how that, in turn, may hove the potential to contribute to positive higher-level systemic change.	the reasons, assumptions, beliefs for how our "IF" statement will lead to our "THEN" statement	key questions that will help us test our assumptions, assess the impact of our work, the degree to which our actions are producing intended results and why/why not	Assessment methods and indicators – Key early evidence of progress (qualitative or quantitative) and how we might gather it
Activity	If we train women skills based on their current work (for example: small business, construction, tailor, finance). Train men on social awareness and family roles, child caring.	create more opportunity within their own livelihoods, to create the opportunity upward mobility.	does it fit with their needs and aspirations?	Participation in skill learning program.
Outcome	upward social mobility and decreased exploitation of women	there is a larger financial independancy and higher skilled work.	resisting forces: are their new roles accepted in the family and within the informal market.	learned skills are put to use in their informal market. How many people actually use the new skills after year 1, year 3 and year 5?
Key dynamic	If we have these outcomes, then we expect to see these impacts on one or more dynamics: skill training program itself, and the surrounding community.	To have a sustainable learning within a community, that is maintained by the community.	Does the community take ownership of the program.	Skill training center is self sustaining
Ripple effects	If we have these outcomes and dynamic impacts, then we expect to see: acceptance for a change in traditional roles	The community will notice the positive change the approach and improvement of livelihoods	How is the community dealing with the outcomes and results?	Interviews and community buildingsessions
Systemic change	If we have these dynamic impacts and ripple effects, then we expect to see: improved livelyhoods due to economic stability	Because the productivity is better off than before and the resilience is giving by robustness of the system	Are the key indicators meeting the targets?	evaluating and monitoring the systems

# #4 Group Building community resilience through livelihood diversification in Karail, Bangladesh

Group: Nir Prasad Dahal | Ardiani Chandra Dewi | Simon Rahman | Tasfin Aziz | Eva Yeung

Our case study represents Virtual Urbanist, an NGO, working for improving the lives of the vulnerable population in the informal settlement in Bangladesh. Karail, an informal settlement in Dhaka, is a representative case for assessing livelihood parameters in terms of access to basic urban services, land tenure, infrastructure and housing, access to economic opportunity, safety and security concerns, and integration with city in the context of COVID 19. It is the largest informal settlement in Dhaka and home to 286,000 people and more than 60,000 households, occupying an area of 90 acres. Like all other informal settlements, community from karail is started experiencing acute shocks of the pandemic. Many have lost their jobs, informal businesses are impacted, access to basic urban services are now limited etc. Most importantly, mobility restriction imposed by the government and stay home order made all possible streams of livelihood vulnerable.





### Background

The largest informal settlement in Dhaka city.

Occupying an area of 90 acres.

Home to 286000 people.

To put that into perspective that's 12 sft of living space per person.

DIAGNOSE Context: Karail, Dhaka, Bangladesh DIAGNOSE Problems Reduced income Restricted mobility Disrupted business Shrinking economic opportunities Interrupted supply-chain Limited access to capital Limited social safety net Rising unemployment

DIAGNOSE Causal Interdependency



GOAL To secure livelihood of Kara







ENVISIONING

Understand how dynamics change over time and explore the transition pathways to the preferred vision/scenario: Three Horizons



- Developed skill set and better market linkage is creating small business hub around the informal settlement (handicrafts, mushroom production, tailoring etc.). Signals of Change:

- More people are coming to the city in search of earning opportunities.
- Unstable livelihood for the local community.
- People are preferring entrepreneurship to part-time or daily-wage based work.
- Increased interest of women in income generating activities.

### Based on your preferred future scenario (step 2), what is the transformative vision for your system?

Horizon 3

**Future Vision** 

- People have equal access and well connected to resources and opportunities. Their capacities are enhanced and able to build a self sustained community for themselves. Their skills and knowledge can be learned or transformed from people of other communities.

What are the beliefs and assumptions that people would need to have to make this future work? What kind of structure would be needed to support it? What flows (resources, skills, materials etc)?

- no major disasters, e.g. floods, pandemic, etc. happened. Hence disaster risk reduction measures and awareness programme are in place.

- sense of gender & inclusion is enhanced. Women are supported to learn new livelihood skills. Promotion on gender balance is needed. - community unit or cooperatives are set up, to improve cohesiveness and network with external resources including government welfare policies and private sector/ NGO support.

Who are the key stakeholders required for your preferred system vision to become reality?

- community (including leaders, women, people with disabilities)
- community unit (volunteers)
- local and national government bureaus (including social welfare and civil affairs)
- private sector, social enterprise, international/ local NGOs

Dominance

# #5 Group Wash resiliency of families in Asia's slum areas amidst the pandemic

Group: Ermin Lucino | Shailendra K. Mandal | Javed Hussain | Gusti Ayu Ketut Surtiari

No nation was ready when Covid 19 disrupted the world we know. Rich and poor countries and communities were both affected by the Pandemic. However, the poor were affected the most because of their higher vulnerability and lower capacity to recover from the disaster.

The team analyzed the urban slum system in the global south amidst the pandemic and other disasters. Anchoring their objective with the vision of the New Urban Agenda and SDGs 6 and 11, they focused on slum communities' access to water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH).

Today, by the most conservative estimates, about 900 million people live in slums. But most experts agree that including different types of informal settlements, the number goes up to 1.6 billion – which represents 1/4 of the world's urban population. By 2030, it's estimated that it 1 in 4 people on the planet will live in a slum or other informal settlement.

The team studied one of Asia's largest slums - Dharavi Slum in India. The slum has a population of around 1 million inhabitants occupying an estimated area of only 2.1 square kilometers. Its population density is approximately 277,136 people per square km which is almost 30 times of New York City, one of the most populated cities in the world. WASH is already a complex and life-threatening issues in Dharavi slum even before the pandemic arrives. Dharavi has severe problems with public health. Water access derives from public standpipes stationed throughout the slum. Additionally, with the limited lavatories they have, they are extremely filthy and broken down to the point of being unsafe. Mahim Creek is a local river that is widely used by local residents for urination and defecation causing the spread of contagious diseases. The open sewers in the city drain to the creek causing a spike in water pollutants, septic conditions and foul odors. Due to the air pollutants, terrible diseases such as lung cancer, tuberculosis, and asthma are common among residents.

On April 2020, Covid 19 positive cases rose in the city and the slum became its focal point. The city administration planned an intervention strategy employing community participation and partnership to contain the virus in the Dharavi slum. The community practiced the four T's (Tracing, Tracking, Testing and Treating) in addressing the virus. The positive cases subsequently decreased in the city.

DIAGNOSE Dharavi is located in the centre of the city, surrounded by wealthy neighbourhoods. Source: India Net Zone



### COVID-19

# SANITATION & HYGIENE

About 80% of the residents use community toilets.

In fight against COVID-19, it grapples with water, sanitation and Hygiene.





### WATER

Two-thirds of households in the slum purchase water.





DIAGNOSE Stakeholder analysis - Power and Interest



INTERVENE & LEARN System Dynamic Analysis for Resilience Strategies





INTERVENE & LEARN Project Activities for Output Recommendation

Role of the City Planner	Projects / Activities	Outputs
<ul> <li>Promote people participation in development planning</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Organize the Community (if not yet organized)</li> <li>Put all stakeholders on one table</li> <li>Conduct Strategic Planning Workshops with all Major Stakeholders</li> <li>Facilitate MOA Draft Document</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Approved 1-3 Year Strategic Plan         <ul> <li>Conduct of Information Education Campaign on Good Hygiene Practices (Community, school levels)</li> <li>List of activities, tasking (Government, NGOs, Private Sector, Local Community), key result areas, monitoring</li> <li>Ownership / Commitment of Stakeholders</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Provide technical advice     to the local council	<ul> <li>Provide a draft document and advice the Mayor and City Council about the need to pass a local law on WASH</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Enacted Resolution Ordinance Declaring Access to Water and Toilet as a Basic Human Right</li> <li>Enacted Resolution Requesting the Private Water Concessionaire to provide affordable water supply to slum areas</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>conduct training programs necessary to evolve plans and programs for implementation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Coordinate with Stakeholders in providing the following trainings:         <ul> <li>Training of youth as peer educator and health educators</li> <li>Household and neighbor demonstration sessions on Covid-WASH nexus/integration</li> <li>Community engagement in WASH activities</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Developed Local WASH Advocates / Champions</li> <li>Developed Local Information Education Campaign (IEC) Materials</li> <li>Empowered Communities</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>formulate and recommend fiscal plans and policies</li> <li>Monitor and evaluate the implementation of programs, projects, and activities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Advise the elected officials to include in the city budget the WASH projects in the Slum Area</li> <li>Monitor the implementation of the project</li> <li>Develop and send proposals to the national government or international agencies if the local budget is not available for the WASH projects</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Constructed Government funded facility         <ul> <li>sanitation resources- hand washing spaces – water storage tank</li> <li>Community toilets/latrines</li> </ul> </li> <li>Distributed safety kit –hygiene kits</li> <li>Construction and repair of water and sanitation facilities in Slum</li> <li>Sent Project Proposals to Funding Agencies</li> </ul>

Reflections on COVID 19 How to make cities resilient in face of pandemic and multiple crises



NETWORK



POLICIES

CLIMATE

CHANGE



"The pandemic has also provided an opportunity for the policy makers and key actors to collaborate and respond together, which will strengthen the coordination mechanism for triggering an effective response mechanism in future emergencies"

GROUP 4

"We learned that all of us belongs to one system – world. The world we know is changing. We must cooperate and collaborate with each other to survive and enjoy our existence. We must learn to be resilient as one human race." GROUP 5

"Once the global crisis of COVID-19 comes to an end, it will leave us to live under 'new normal' circumstances. It might lead us through a paradigm shift as we are getting introduced to new best practices and replicable models across the communities of practice"

GROUP 4

"As the viral poem goes, "We are in the same storm, but not in the same boat". However, more often than not, authorities tend to overlook the most marginalized while coming up with solutions to tackle the urgent issues at hand"

GROUP 3



"COVID does present a new opportunity as every disaster is an opportunity for change." GROUP 3





# **Exit survey**





# **Exit survey**

# In what way did the summer school enhance your life-long and interdisciplinary learning experience?

- I was completely new to systems thinking and the summer school has encouraged me to understand the complexities within and outside my subject. It has also helped me connect my discipline to other disciplines and reinforced the need for multisectoral collaborated efforts to achieve resilience. I believe the summer school has also initiated in me an interest to pursue higher education in planning or urbanism.

- My one of the takeaway is "...There is no straightforward black and white in any solutions. It just a different perspective to think off". Taking this into account, I feel miles to go to know a bit better

- I learned new frameworks that I will be able to implement in my work. It was also nice to have the opportunity to focus on topics and take the time brainstorming about them during the different phases, since this is something you sometimes do not havetime for at work. It provided a new perspective.

- The school enhance my life-long and interdisciplinary learning experience in the sense that many of the things that I didn't think were connected before, now I can't see them except as a network; many topics that I've never heard of will probably be the subject of future study or work. In short, as a first deep dive into these topics, the summerschool "simply" diverted my future choices.

# If you were to take one thing that you learned during the Summer School and apply it to your practice when you return to your work, what would that be?

- I would try to come up with better, more holistic solutions when I work on disaster resilient construction. I would try to bring in solutions which can have multiple benefits across sectors.

- The systemic approach of urban resilience. The scope of my work needs to be broadened and I will seek to integrate system thinking when approaching the resilience dimension at regional level

### What has surprised you the most?

- Simple issues have lot of interconnection

- The similarity of cities in the global south and how they responded and affected by Covid among other disasters

# What do you see the potential of the community of practice established during the summer school going forward?

We will need to keep the interest and regular activities to keep the community engaged. I am confident it represents a great opportunity to address urban resilience from the practitioners point of view and to leverage multidimensional engagement.



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