

# The first international **O**pen **P**ublic **U**rban **S**pace **S**ymposium

## Open Port to Open Space



**OPUS will be a major international architecture, landscape architecture and urban design conference to be held in Stavanger Norway as an official event of Stavanger 2008 involving architects, scholars and artists. Emphasis will be placed on how public spaces can contribute to a better urban life:**

- how are public open spaces transforming culture in cities?
- how do urban spaces function as settings for cultural activities?
- how can they contribute to a more inclusive urban life?
- how are open spaces distributed from core to urban fringe?
- how can they be more pedestrian-oriented / walkable?
- how can they be more stimulating for business and services?
- how can urban spaces enhance and support identity?
- how can urban spaces reflect the expectations of the public?

### PROGRAM

#### Thursday, June 26 Stavanger University at Bjergsted

1900 Welcome Mary Miller, Stavanger 2008; Vice Rector Egil Gabrielsen  
1930 Opening Keynotespeaker Gary Bates, Space Group, Oslo

#### Friday, June 27 Stavanger University at Bjergsted

0900 Welcome / Overview - Nils Jacobsen, UiS Mark Francis, UC Davis  
0930 The wooden gown of Stavanger - LeRoy Tønning, UiS  
1000 The Experience City - Gitte Maling, Aalborg University  
1030 Break  
1100 The Street as a Social Arena - Einar Lillebye, Norw Highway Agency  
1130 Youth Culture Space - Catharine W Thompson, Edinburgh Col. of Art  
1200 Lunch  
1300 Public domain in the urban landscape - Tomas Wikström, Lunds Uni  
1330 Open spaces and marketing - Jerker Söderlund, KTH Stockholm  
1400 Break  
1430 Old Spaces - New Places - Anna M Hohmann-Vogrin, TU Graz  
1500 Liverpool's 2008 experiences - David Shaw, University of Liverpool  
1530 Break  
1600 Diaspora Spaces - Michael Rios, University of California at Davis  
1630 Discussion  
1900 Dinner

#### Saturday, June 28 Stavanger University at Bjergsted

0900 Workshop on nominated favourite spaces - Ray Lorenzo,  
Mark Francis, Per Pallesen and Torgeir E. Sørensen  
1630 Workshop Presentations - open to Public - closing

#### Sunday, June 29 Central Train Station

1000-1500 Tour of open public urban spaces in the region

### ACCOMMODATION

Clarion Hotel Price room / night in NOK Single 1295 / Double 1 495  
Skagen Brygge Price room / night in NOK Single 1295 / Double 1 495

### PRICES

Registration fee before 1 May. NOK 2 400  
Registration fee after 1 May NOK 2 900  
Registration fee - student NOK 1 700  
Friday dinner NOK 400  
Excursion - lunch NOK 500

### ORGANIZERS



### INFORMATION

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