

# International Planning History Society

# IPHS

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Dear Members of IPHS

I am writing to introduce myself as the IPHS president for 2018-22 and to provide some updates from the IPHS Council meeting held prior to the 18<sup>th</sup> IPHS conference in Yokohama, Japan (15 to 19 July, 2018), as well as other news from the Society.

I am Associate Research Professor in Planning and Architectural History in the School of Art, Architecture and Design at the University of South Australia in Adelaide, South Australia. Amongst my current duties, I am Director of the Architecture Museum and of the Australian Housing Research Institute Research Centre, both based in my school.

I joined IPHS in 1995 while I was a PhD candidate and have been a Council member since 2006. Through IPHS I have met and had the opportunity to engage in various ways with colleagues from different parts of the world. One of the benefits that the Society promotes is 'access to a global network of scholars' and that opportunity has been invaluable to me. I look forward as president to building on and extending the Society's reach and to furthering its aims in fostering the study of planning history; supporting regional based groups focused on planning history in their locale; and providing an international network for member contact.

## **IPHS Council**

I took over the role of president at the conclusion of the 18<sup>th</sup> IPHS conference and succeed Professor Dirk Schubert, Emeritus Professor at Hafen City University, Hamburg, Germany. On behalf of all IPHS members I would like to acknowledge and thank Dirk for his leadership and contributions to IPHS in his four years as president and, before that, as vice-president and chair of various committees. Dirk will continue on the Council as immediate past-president and Prizes Co-ordinator for the 2020 conference.

Two other IPHS Council members have commenced in new roles: Professor Carola Hein, TU Delft, as vice-president and Associate Professor Ian Morley, Chinese University of Hong Kong, as membership secretary. Carola continues as editor of the IPHS

Section of *Planning Perspectives*. The following Council members agreed to continue in their existing positions: Professor Nuran Zeren Gulersoy, Secretary-General; Dr James Hopkins, Treasurer; Professor Renato Rego, Webmaster; and Professor John Gold and Dr Margaret Gold, editors of *Planning Perspectives*.

Professor Michael Hebbert stepped down from the IPHS Council at the July meeting after twenty-three years, including as *Planning Perspectives* editor 2013-17. I extend on behalf of Council colleagues and IPHS members our sincere thanks to Michael for his service to the Society over more than two decades (and before that to the Planning History Group that preceded IPHS).

A list of the IPHS Council members and names and contact details for those in particular roles is available on the IPHS website at: <https://planninghistory.org/about-2/council-members/>

### **19<sup>th</sup> IPHS Conference**

I am delighted to advise that the 19th IPHS conference will be held from 5 to 8 July 2020 in Moscow. Professor Alexey Krasheninnikov of the Moscow Architectural Institute (MARHI), will convene the conference, with Mrs Natalia Evnevich as Conference Secretary. Further information about the conference will be available in due course via the IPHS and conference websites (see: <https://planninghistory.org/>).

### ***Planning Perspectives***

One of the benefits of IPHS membership is receiving the journal *Planning Perspectives*. Currently four issues are published annually. *Planning Perspectives* includes the IPHS Section which is a forum for members to submit short articles up to 4000 words and conference, symposium or workshop reports, as well as to promote planning history and related events.

At the 2018 IPHS Council meeting the *Planning Perspectives* editors John Gold and Margaret Gold reported that the journal 'has been steadily attracting a higher number of submissions in recent years [which] confirms that it is in extremely good health and is in a field of scholarship that is thriving.' However, due to the increased demand, they noted that it can now take approximately 2 years from acceptance to publication of an article in print. After careful consideration of the current situation, the publisher of *Planning Perspectives* Taylor & Francis, the editorial board and the IPHS Council have agreed to **increase the number of annual issues from four to six**, commencing in January 2019. As the editors explained to Council, 'This change is a natural and organic development in the life of the journal, which offers greater flexibility for the future since it offers a way of coping seamlessly with further growth. [At the same time] it provides more frequent opportunities for the journal to serve the wider planning history community (e.g. the IPHS Section can be used more effectively to flag conferences or events to IPHS members.)'

### **IPHS Membership fee**

A consequence of increasing the number of issues of *Planning Perspectives* is a rise in the printing and distribution costs. To cover these costs, at its July 2018 meeting, the IPHS Council approved an increase of GBP£5 (and comparable amounts in USD and

EUR) in the membership fee for regular (non-student) members. The student fee will not change. This increase in the regular IPHS membership fees is the **first for 10 years**.

Effective from 2019, the regular and student member fees will be:

	<b>GBP</b>	<b>USD</b>	<b>EUR</b>
<b>Regular member</b>	40 (£5 increase)	80 (USD\$10 increase)	64 (€9 increase)
<b>Student member</b> (unchanged)	25	50	40

The 2019 IPHS membership renewal letter that Taylor & Francis sends to members on behalf of IPHS will refer to the fee increase, and invoices for regular members will show the new rate.

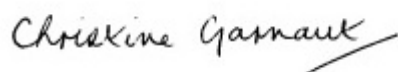
### **IPHS Website and Facebook**

In addition to the IPHS Section of *Planning Perspectives*, the IPHS website (<https://planninghistory.org/>) and Facebook page (@planninghistory.iphs) are avenues for members to keep in touch with the Society's and members' news and scholarly activities.

I encourage you to contact the IPHS Webmaster Renato Rego (rego.renato@hotmail.com) with material for the website. This could include conference/workshop/symposium announcements and other information about planning history related events; information about new books; historic and/or contemporary photographs suitable for the banner of rotating images on the website. I also encourage those of you with a Facebook account to follow and post information to the IPHS Facebook page.

It is a great privilege for me to hold the position of IPHS president and I am looking forward to meeting and engaging with many of you over the next four years. My email address is [christine.garnaut@unisa.edu.au](mailto:christine.garnaut@unisa.edu.au) if you would like to contact me in relation to any IPHS matter.

Kind regards.



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