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13TH CONFERENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL FORUM OF URBANISM (IFOU)



URBANISM IN THE  
MOBILE INTERNET ERA

## BACKGROUND OF THE IFOU2020 VIRTUAL CONFERENCE /

Given the ongoing restrictions due to COVID-19, the IFoU board and the organizing team from Nanjing University have reached consensus on organizing the 2020 conference scheduled in 9-12 October to online platforms. In light of our conference theme "Urbanism in the Mobile Internet Era", we envision the upcoming virtual conference as an opportunity rather than an obstacle in fostering and enhancing interregional communication and cooperation through the digital technologies brought by the new era.

Thus, we are here proposing an **EXTENSION** of the IFoU conference agenda and calling for participants to present their up-to-date research findings in the new **FUTURE GENERATION FORUM** through VIRTUAL platforms.

## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS /

Submitted through the IFoU 2020 website: [www.urbanform.cn](http://www.urbanform.cn)

## DEADLINE /

Abstract Submission: 10 JUNE 2020

# FUTURE GENERATION FORUM in the IFoU 2020 Virtual Conference

## THEME: VIRTUAL Urbanism in the Mobile Internet Era

The **FUTURE GENERATION FORUM** will be focused on new themes arising with the emerging virtual social and geo-spatial relations in the mobile internet era, especially related to new conditions in the global COVID-19 pandemic. New models of remote working, e-commerce, distance education, telemedicine and etc. have revolutionized the resource allocation pattern among urban and suburban/rural areas, thus ushering in a new paradigm of VIRTUAL urbanism that will cast profound influences in the future built environment.

We invite participants and papers to reflect on the impacts brought by the ongoing virtual revolution, and to boldly envision upcoming opportunities and challenges in the design of urban/rural built environment in the mobile internet era. Specifically, participants are encouraged to investigate how the future built environment in the virtual urbanism could be more **RESILIENT**, better **SHARED**, **GREENER**, and more **INCLUSIVE** in both physical and virtual ways.

## REQUIREMENTS

The FUTURE GENERATION FORUM welcomes future-oriented research findings under the general framework of the IFoU 2020 conference. We especially support those from early-career researchers and graduate students.

**(Due to time overlaps during the conference, those who have been accepted to the IFoU2020 regular paper panels are not advised to submit proposals again.)**

The abstract submitted shall not exceed 200-300 words in English, while the full paper will be limited to 4500-6000 words in English.

## VIRTUAL PARTICIPATION

All the authors accepted to the FUTURE GENERATION FORUM will present their papers through VIRTUAL platforms (Zoom, Ding Talk, etc.) during the IFoU2020 conference, as all the other conference participants will do.

## KEY DATES

Abstract Submission: 10 JUNE 2020  
Review Result Announcement: 30 JUNE 2020  
Full Paper Submission: 10 AUGUST 2020

## PUBLICATION&AWARDS

The full papers submitted to the FUTURE GENERATION FORUM will have chance to be published in the conference proceedings and distinguished international and national journals in collaboration. They will also be considered for a special category within the Best Paper Award of the IFoU2020 conference.

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