Shaping the Future – Urban Regeneration and Adaptive Reuse
Towards Developing a Culture of Innovation and Design

A cross-sectoral conference addressing the challenges in the regeneration of historic buildings and areas

Friday 9th March 2018 – Hibernia Conference Centre, Dublin Castle

The Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht would like to invite you, or a nominee on behalf of your organisation, to a one day conference to discuss on-going priorities, strategies and challenges facing urban regeneration and consolidation in our major European cities and towns.

Responsibility for shaping, managing and re-imagining the built environment is one shared by all sectors in society: communities, central and local Governments, design and building professions, financial institutions, specialist agencies, clients who commission buildings and the building industry. Without a well-informed and engaged public, creation of a high quality built environment and the on-going management of our inheritance from the past may be difficult to achieve.

The continuing challenge has a new dimension: how to integrate this broad cultural agenda with the urgent requirement that we establish a sustainable built environment for both existing and new building stock. Cities and their qualities in terms of the urban environment have become a key element in competitive advantage and in driving economic investment and progress – in this regard place has become a key element of this economic proposition. Leveraging significant investment in the sustainable management and conservation of Ireland’s urban built heritage - there is a new opportunity to focus on re-using our existing historic buildings and areas through well informed and creative adaptation strategies.

The central objective of this one day conference is to bring together key stakeholders from relevant government departments, local authorities, professionals in practice and a range of other players in the built environment across Europe to collaboratively discuss exemplary practice in the successful regeneration of historic buildings and places.

Please confirm your attendance or that of a nominee in advance with Mr Garry Byrne, Built Heritage, Architectural Policy & Strategic Infrastructure, DCHG to architecture@chg.gov.ie or tel. 01 888 2557.

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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME 2018

8:45-9:15 Registration

9:15-09:30 Welcome Address/Opening
Katherine Licken, Secretary General, Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht
David Browne, President of the Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland

PART 1: STRATEGIC POLICIES – VISION & IMPLEMENTATION

09:30-11:00 Moderator Kathryn Meghen RIAI

09:30-10:00 Michel Magnier, Director, European Commission Directorate-General for Education and Culture
*Sharing lessons after the Davos declaration on Baukultur*

10:00-10:20 Martin Colreavy, Principal Advisor Head of Built Heritage, Architectural Policy & Strategic Infrastructure, Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht
*Development and Implementation of Adaptive Reuse Policies*

10:20-10:50 Professor Emeritus Loughlin Kealy
*Conservation – Adaptation: Reflections in “future making”*

10:50-11:20 PAUSE/BREAK (Tea/Coffee)

11:20-12:40 Moderator Nicola Mathews DCHG

*European Year of Cultural Heritage Initiative on Reuse*

11:40-12:00 URBACT lead Expert (TBC)
*2nd Chance – Waking up the Sleeping Giants (City of Naples Lead Partner)*

12:00-12:20 Paul Keogh – Paul Keogh Architects
*Shaping the Future – Strategic Re-use within Historic Areas*

12:20-12:40 PART 1 Podium/Panel Discussion (invited participants)

12:45-14:00 BUFFET LUNCH
PART 2: ADAPTIVE APPLICATIONS & DESIGN

14:00-15:20 Moderator Robin Mandal MRIAI

14:00-14:20 Ciaran O’Connor, State Architect and Principal Architect in OPW
Adaptation and building re-use within the Public Sector

14:20-14:40 Merritt Bucholz – SAUL and Governance Programme
Development of GPA research approach to Living City Initiative (LCI)

14:40-15:00 Grainne Shaffrey – Shaffrey Architects
Prompting the re-use of the upper floors of historic streetscapes

15:00-15:20 Niall McCullough – McCullough Mulvin Architects, Dublin
Designing for Adaptation and Reuse in practice

PAUSE/BREAK (Tea/Coffee)

15:40-17:00 Moderator Paul Altman DHPLG

15:40-16:00 Kevin Blackwood – Blackwood Associates
The regulatory constraints of multiple residential units within historic structures

16:00-16:20 Tom Sweetman – O’Mahony Pike Architects
Re–imagining redundant historic urban areas/complexes

16:20-16:40 Mark Turpin – Turpin Donnelly Architects
Unlocking and promoting the potential of vacated city buildings

16:40-17:00 PART 2 Podium/Panel Discussion (invited participants)

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