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## Voortgangsverslag zwaartepunt 2018

Zwaartepunt: Urban Studies (Centre for Urban Studies, CUS)

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### 1. Most important activities, developments, results 2018 / 1st half 2019

- **Benchmark.** The benchmark for assessing activities, developments and results in 2018 and the first half of 2019 is the '2018-2022 Strategic Plan' submitted in December 2017 and approved shortly thereafter. In this plan the overall emphasis is on: (1) supporting the generation and follow up of new ideas and projects (most directly, through the seed grant programs); (2) attracting and maintaining talent (most directly, through the postdoc program and fellowship grants); and (3) communicating our activities and results to a variety of publics (academic and societal, local and international). Furthermore, there is a specific emphasis on the 'urban commons' as a thematic focus. For all kinds of actions, ***the stimulation of interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary collaboration in the field of urban studies is the overarching goal and core justification of the RPA.*** It is from the vantage point of this mission that below we look at the 'most important activities, developments, and results of the last year and a half'.

- **Facilitating new interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary ideas and projects.** According to the 2018-2022 Plan, our seed grant program (€ 2.500 each) and seed grant XL program (€ 10.000 each) are the key instruments to stimulate new interdisciplinary ideas and projects. In 2018, because of financial constraints<sup>1</sup>, we could only award a limited number of smaller seed grants, and no XL grants. In 2019, we could again deploy the program in full, and awarded so far four seed grants and three seed grants XL.

In addition, as a follow-up of a joint Network Day (see below), in 2019, together with the UoA RPA Amsterdam Centre for Cultural Heritage and Identity (ACHI) we launched a joint seed grant program to stimulate collaboration between urban scholars in the social sciences and in the humanities. So far, two joints seed grants for a total of € 3300 have been awarded as a result of first call, and a second call is momentarily open.

Next, subsequent to a very positive internal assessment of the seed grant programs, and rising doubts about the viability of the Post Doc program (more on this below), in 2019, we introduced two new types of seed grants, both inspired by instruments developed in other FMG RPAs:

- writing fellowships (€ 4.800 each) to allow prospective PhDs and Post Docs to spend three months at the UoA to write, together with the intended supervisors (two RPA members, belonging to different program groups), a proposal to seek funding for their PhD or Post Doc, to be carried out at the UoA.
- teaching buyouts (€ 12.000 each) to allow permanent staff members of the RPA 0,1 additional research FTE for one year, to develop a new research project or major research grant application.

Five writing fellowships (three for prospective PhDs, and two for prospective postdocs) and two teaching buyouts (the latter to develop an NWO-vidi application) have been awarded in 2019, and will be carried out in 2020.

A final point that needs to be stressed with respect to seed grants is that the actual investment in seed grants is higher than the nominal values mentioned above, as the RPA director and coordinator are spending significant time into setting up and implementing the grant allocation process and above all in supporting the activities funded by the grants (e.g. by means of communication or organizational and logistic support).

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<sup>1</sup> See last year's report for details

The seed grant program was first launched in 2016. An overview of activities supported by the seed grants in 2016-2019 is in [Appendix 3](#). Multiple collaborations between program groups and with staff at other UoA faculties, researchers outside of the UoA, as well as artists and societal stakeholders have been facilitated by the seed grant program. Since last year, we are monitoring the longer-term impacts of seed grant funded projects, and this is showing that the grants have formed the seed for a range of follow-up projects, grant acquisitions, publications and enduring collaborations (see [Appendix 3](#) for emerging evidence). Early highlights of follow-ups already mentioned in last year's report include the Horizon2020 grant Robert Kloosterman received for CICERONE, a research project looking into cultural and creative industries, partly developed on the basis of a seed grant facilitated platform and seminar on the commons of culture; the multiple high-dosage tutoring (HDT) initiatives, including a 1.2 euro million project in Haarlem and several external research grants kick started by the mini-conference organized by Bowen Paulle with seed grant support; and the 50.000 euro NWO VerduS Surf Pop-up grant awarded to Michaela Hordijk, on the basis of her seed grant XL funded project on co-creation. More recently, Robert Kloosterman and Claartje Rasterhoff received a 160.000 euros NWO Creative Industries grant for their project on 'Contemporary Commoning: Investigating the role of art and design in creating spaces for public action'. This project was also partly developed on the basis of their seed grant project on the commons of culture. Seed grant funded activities are also part of the process leading to the recent VENI grants of Hochstenbach and Verloo.

- **Creating structural opportunities for interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary collaborations.** In addition to the seed grant programs, we are also investing time and energy in the creation of more structural opportunities for interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary collaboration. Main activities are the following.

First, on 24 January 2019 we held our 3<sup>rd</sup> Urban Studies Network Day, which, this year, was directed at exploring the collaboration potential with urban scholars in the humanities, and was jointly organized with the UoA RPA Amsterdam Centre for Cultural Heritage and Identity (ACHI), and also supported by the ASCA Cities Project, and the Amsterdam Center for Urban History (ACUH). A joint seed grant program (see above) was set up to facilitate the follow-up of the most promising ideas.

Second, the director of the RPA has been serving as interim director of the Urban Complexity theme at the Institute for Advanced Study (IAS) of the UvA, with the aim of stimulating the formation of a complexity science-social science cluster of research around urban issues. A first concrete result is the project on 'School choice dynamics and segregation' led by Willem Boterman (UvA-FMG) and Mike Lees (UvA- FNWI), with funding for a PhD and a postdoc position.

Third, we have continued to participate in the municipality-university knowledge platform on urban mobility, and have been pivotal in the establishment of two new platforms on urban circularity and on urban public space. Related to this, we have been contributing to the activation of the new internet-based Amsterdam Open Research Platform promoted by the Chief Science Officer of the municipality, which aims to support collaborations between and among researchers and policy-makers in the city. The Centre for Urban Studies now has its own collection (webpage) on the platform and we have actively been stimulating and supporting our members to get engaged as well. Five pilot projects have been initiated on the platform to allow RPA members to share their projects. The platform is expected to launch to the public in early 2020.

Fourth, our high-profile and high-intensity international 'Visiting Scholar Program' is an instrument aimed at structurally supporting interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary collaboration across national borders. Regrettably, the planned visit of Prof. Oren Yftachel in 2019, after having been delayed by us in 2018 because of financial constraints, has been canceled by the visitor because of personal reasons. A new international scholar has been selected for visiting in 2020.

Fifth, a unique opportunity to creating structural opportunities for interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary collaborations in the field of urban studies emerged in this period, as the Institute of Interdisciplinary Studies (IIS) of the University of Amsterdam asked the director of the RPA to lead the production of a 'City Methods' coursebook to offer students an interdisciplinary gateway to the study of cities. An additional goal is to

establish, by mean of co-authorship, a network of young, interdisciplinary minded urban scholars working at different faculties and universities in Amsterdam. An executive director and a team of authors have been appointed and the book is now under production, with publication expected in the spring of 2020. The project, with the exception of the time of the RPA director, is fully funded by the IIS.

Finally, the RPA director has been enquiring in the potential of other, new collaborations, most notably including an initiative lead by the dean of the FMG to explore potential collaborations between the faculty and the international architecture and urban design firm UNstudio, and the potential participation of RPA members in the new university RPA Urban Mental Health. Both are still ongoing.

- **Attracting and maintaining talent.** In the 2018-2019 period the following postdocs have been appointed: Petter Törnberg (from 01-04-2017 till 31-07-2018 and 01-08-2018 till 01-04-2019 ), Francesca Pilo' (from 01-01-2018, till 31-12-2018), Dorien Zandbergen (01-09-2018 till 31-08-2019) and Mayra Mosciaro (from 01-03-2019 - ongoing). [Appendix 4](#) reports on their performance. The postdocs have all been extremely productive, and one has also been key in a successful major grant acquisition. The threat to the long-term viability of the Post Doc program signaled in last year's report has not been resolved. Because of financial constraints, we are no longer able to offer postdocs who have been successful in a major grant acquisition, the prospect of a permanent position. Because of the double constraints of Dutch labor laws and European and Dutch funders' requirements of a post-grant 'embedding guarantee', in some cases not even a temporary continuation of the appointment to carry out the grant would be possible. This situation discourages postdocs to apply to the UoA in the first place, to invest energy and time in grant acquisition when here, and could in some cases even force them to carry out the grant outside of the UoA if successful. As documented by the 'intervision' session among the FMG RPAs in the fall of 2018, all of the FMG RPAs share this conundrum, and none of them has found a way around it. For our RPA, this was one of the considerations that lead to forfeiting one planned postdoc appointment, and to use the thus freed-up funds to launch the new seed grant programs highlighted above.

Complementing the Post Doc program, we are collaborating with the lecturers and program directors of the Research Masters Urban Studies, the Master in Urban Planning and the Master in Human Geography to make students aware of and participate in the activities we organize. Furthermore, several of our leading researchers participate in these masters, where they lecture, supervise theses and in the case of the Research Master Urban Studies, offer research apprenticeships. The RPA and the education program are now advertising each other on their respective websites. Altogether, these engagements and cross-communication provide excellent opportunities to both students and supervisors to actively explore the possibility of a PhD follow-up. The new seed grant writing fellowships highlighted above have the function of further stimulating this process, and engage prospective PhD students and postdocs and intended supervisors in the development of ideas and mobilization of resources towards their appointment.

- **Communicating activities and results.** In 2018, we have developed a detailed communication strategy together with the FMG communication advisor and started implementing it. This year, we have restructured the website to make it more effective, also in the light of the overall restructuring of the UoA websites. We have discussed the new website with our boards and they, despite some minor points of feedback, are happy with the new look and the way it functions. Furthermore, we have improved the format and the reach of the newsletter. This has so far resulted in a 15% increase in subscribers, effectively extending the reach of research and activities at the Centre.

The seed grant funded activities reported in [Appendix 3](#) have also a communication function. For instance, a public event directed at a broader audience at a highly visible location (such as Pakhuis De Zwijger and Spui25) is often a component of these activities. Furthermore, we have continued the Centre for Urban Studies Working Paper Series, allowing timely and wide dissemination of research findings and providing our researchers with the possibility to get early feedback on their work. In 2018 and 2019 so far, 16 working papers were published in the series.

- **Overall output.** [Appendix 5](#) and [Appendix 6](#) summarize the performance of the members of the RPA in terms of publications and new grant acquisition. It is difficult if not impossible to say with any precision how much of it would have been achieved without the RPA. There are some cases where direct lines can be traced. An obvious one is the individual output of the postdocs (see [Appendix 4](#)). Another example includes participation in the knowledge platform urban mobility which in 2018 had already led to a major grant for evaluation of the impact on the city of the Noord Zuid metro line and in 2019 has led to participation in a major European project (KIC urban mobility). It can be expected that participation in the two new municipality-university platforms on urban circularity and on urban public space will lead to similar results.

Next, there are the grant acquisition seed grant follow-ups highlighted in the section 'facilitating new interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary ideas and projects' above. Other follow-ups include two edited volumes, a handbook and several special issues in international journals, public events, videos and masterclasses (see [Appendix 3](#) for these and other seed grant follow-ups).

However, there are many cases where the trajectories are not as linear. In the light of our core mission, this is inevitable. We see the RPA in the first place as an instrument to add value to the initiatives of all of its members, not as an autonomous institute for a few of them. Synergy with other initiatives, resources and processes is what we are actively looking for, and certainly not avoiding. We accept that this might mean that quantifying the distinctive impact of our investments relative to other resources might be difficult.

## 2. Plans 2019 / 2020

- **Benchmark.** We will continue implementation of the 2018-2022 plan. In general, we expect to be able to match the level of activity and investment envisaged in the original plan. There is one important change: the cancelation of one postdoc appointment and the introduction of new seed grant types in its place discussed above. Assessing the effects of this strategic move will be a major concern in 2020.

- **Facilitating new interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary ideas and projects.** We will continue the seed grant program, including both smaller and XL grants. While we do not plan to launch new calls of the new grant types, most of the spending on the activities enabled by the ones allocated in 2019 will take place in financial year 2020. In case of a positive evaluation of these activities, we will explore the possibility of creating financial space for new type grants in 2021, which would allow new calls in 2020. We will also continue to monitor the follow-up of all seed grants, to help us make the seed grant programs more effective, for instance by changing the mix of grants, or by modifying the grant allocation process.

- **Creating structural opportunities for interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary collaborations.** We will continue supporting the development of the complexity science-social science research cluster on urban complexity at the Institute of Advanced Study. In September-November 2019, Sharon Wohl will be a visiting fellow at IAS to work on a web-based platform to foster communication and collaboration between scholars in urban studies and in complexity science.

We will continue participation in the knowledge platforms on urban mobility, urban circularity and urban public space, and in the development of the Amsterdam Open Research Platform.

Following up on the joint Network day and joint seed grant program in 2019, we will continue exploring the scope of collaboration with urban scholars in the Humanities, and in particular the RPA Amsterdam Centre for Cultural Heritage and Identity (ACHI).

In 2020, Prof. Rey Koslowski will visit, as first guest in our 'Visiting Scholar Program'.

Finally, during the upcoming Executive and Advisory Board meeting in October 2019 we will assess interdisciplinary collaborations beyond the RPA so far, and discuss our future strategies in this respect.

- **Attracting and maintaining talent.** While two postdocs will complete their term, no new ones will be appointed, following the decision to switch funds away from one postdoc and towards new seed grant types. In the course of 2020, we will consider whether to start the procedure to appoint the one remaining postdoc envisaged in the 2018-2022 plan.

We will continue collaborating with the lecturers and program directors of the Research Masters Urban Studies, the Masters Urban Planning and the Masters Human Geography to attract students to our activities and make them aware of the RPA and consider a potential PhD career with us. Furthermore, we will assess the impact of the grant writing fellowships for prospective PhDs and postdocs and consider whether to try and create financial space for new ones in the future.

- **Communication of activities and results.**

In 2019, Karen Kraal hosted several FMG communication meetings with representatives from various departments and RPAs to discuss communication strategies. This sharing of knowledge and learning process will continue throughout 2020. We will continue to offer members more support in the organization of public/dissemination activities, in collaboration with partners such as Pakhuis de Zwijger and Spui25. We will also continue to offer our members the ability to publish research results in the Centre for Urban Studies Working Paper series and more informally through our Blog series.

- **Grant acquisition.** In 2019, we have assessed our grant acquisition strategy together with the Executive and Advisory board members. Two conclusions should be highlighted. First, most members prefer seeking smaller and less demanding grants (e.g. allowing the appointment of a Post Doc or a PhD student), as these offer a much better balance of costs (grant acquisition, project management) and benefits (scientific outcomes) and a lower risk than the larger and more demanding grants (e.g. coordination of major H2020 consortium). The NWO and the ERC personal grants are the only major grants considered worth pursuing by most RPA members, because of their very high potential benefits. The second important conclusion is that the distinctive contribution of the RPA should not so much be that of directly facilitating the grant acquisition process, as there are other facilities that can do this. It should rather be to continue and possibly enrich its complementary offering of more versatile, faster seed grants, e.g. for research pilots. The expansion and diversification of our seed grant strategy discussed above goes in precisely this direction.

### 3. Finances

Appendix 1 reports the planned and allocated budget in 2017, 2018 and in the first half of 2019

The budget has largely been allocated as planned, with changes mostly due to shifts in the timing of allocation of funds and (changes in start and end dates of appointments, changes in activity dates - the two largest because the unexpected cancellation of the 2019 Visiting Scholar and the delayed appointment of postdoc Mosciaro). Some of these shifts have been imposed by the particularly rigid constraints of the 2018 budget, which, combined with a greater than expected overspill of appointments and activities from 2017 to 2018, required that other investments be postponed from 2018 to 2019. In their turn, the latter largely explains why some adjustments had to be made to the 2019 budget relatively to the one reported in the 2018-2022 plan.

Appendix 2 reports the expected 2019 budget and the planned budget for 2020.

The 2019 budget reveals that the CUS is expected to spend less than originally planned due to the reasons mentioned above, resulting in a 30.000-40.000 euros surplus. The 2020 budget largely conforms the budget in the 2018-2022 plan, with the major exception of the shift of funds from a postdoc appointment to new type seed grants. Smaller changes include a larger amount of money spent in 2020 on the Mosciaro postdoc position. Due to administrative reasons, the postdoc appointment has been retarded meaning the sum of money to be allocated to this position in 2020 is considerably larger, and was conversely smaller in 2019. This results in a 37.000 euros deficit on the 2020 budget, roughly equal to the 2019 expected surplus.

Currently, we are in deliberation with the Board of the Social Sciences to see whether we can use the 2019 surplus to fund the 2020 deficit.

Overall, there remains a difficult tension between the rigidity of the budget regulations, not allowing transfer of funds for one year to the other, and the nature of the funded activities, that in many cases require shifting the implementation date from one year to the other.

**Appendix 1: Realization year 2017 en 2018. Realization 2019 t/m Aug-19 (missing numbers from 2019 column have not yet been made up)**

WBS-element	R.2520.0013 & .01 & .02 Urban Studies 2013-2016			
	Baten/lasten   Kalenderjaar	2017	2018	2019
<b>Totaal exploitatieresultaat</b>		<b>44.775</b>	<b>-2.135</b>	<b>45.998</b>
<b>Baten</b>		<b>300.000</b>	<b>250.000</b>	<b>197.218</b>
Externe baten		0	0	0
Baten uit contractactiviteiten		0	0	0
Contractonderwijs		0	0	0
Contractonderzoek		0	0	0
Mutatie ivm onderhanden werk		0	0	0
Overige baten		0	0	0
Bijdragen van derden		0	0	0
Detachering en diensten aan derden		0	0	0
Levering goederen aan derden		0	0	0
Overige inkomsten		0	0	0
Interne baten		300.000	250.000	197.218
<b>Lasten</b>		<b>-255.225</b>	<b>-252.135</b>	<b>-151.220</b>
Personele lasten		-160.490	-160.419	-107.032
Personele lasten extern		-3.111	-5.770	
Personele lasten intern		-157.379	-154.694	
Inzet via tijdverantwoording		-145.301	0	
Doorbelasting uren PID-WP		-82.809	0	
Doorbelasting uren PID-OBP		-62.492	0	
Inzet niet via tijdverantwoording		0	0	
Opslagen personele inzet		-8.681	0	
Overige doorbel. personele inzet		-3.398	0	
Overige lasten		-94.735	-91.716	-44.189
Primaire overige lasten		-44.275	-30.196	-6.466
Overige kosten		-41.533	-25.628	-5.266
Inventaris, apparatuur en leermiddelen		-48	0	
Collectievorming		0	-2.752	
Uitbesteed werk		-1.591	0	-540
Onderzoekmaterialen		-528	-118	0
Documentatie en drukwerk		0	0	-388
Cursus- en congreskosten		-4.894	-301	-200
Reiskosten- en verblijfkosten		-26.736	-18.438	-2.544
Representatie		-6.734	-2.698	-1.394
Andere kosten		-1.003	-1322	-200
Huisvestingskosten		-742	-182	-1.200
Subsidies en overdrachten		-2.000	-4.387	
Financiële lasten		-29	0	
Toerekening diensten GDS		-328	0	
Overhead op activiteiten		-50.102	-61.520	-37.723

**Appendix 2: Expected Budget RPA Urban Studies 2019 and Planned Budget RPA Urban Studies 2020**

Expenses	2019	Notes for 2019
Postdoc Törnberg	€ 15.000,00	0,9 FTE, until March 2019
Postdoc Zandbergern	€ 44.000,00	0,7FTE until September 2019
Postdoc Mosciaro	€ 61.000,00	0,6 FTE from 01-03-2019 until 28-02-2021
Seed Grants	€ 40.300,00	Regular Seed grants, Seed Grants XL and Jo Grants
Talent Travel Grant	€ 4.500,00	
Networking Activities	€ 5.000,00	
Director	€ 36.000,00	1 d/w
Coordinator	€ 55.000,00	4 d/w
<b>Total planned expenses</b>	<b>€ 260.800,00</b>	
<b>Subsidy</b>	<b>€ 300.000,00</b>	
<b>Balance</b>	<b>€ 39.200,00</b>	

Expenses	2020	Notes for 2020
Postdoc Mosciaro	€ 58.334,00	0,6 FTE from 01-03-2019 until 28-02-2021
Teaching Buyout Grants	€ 30.000,00	
Writing Fellowship Grants	€ 70.000,00	
Visiting Scholar Program	€ 10.000,00	
Networking Activities	€ 5000,00	Network Day, joint workshops
Seed Grants 2020	€ 50.000,00	
Talent Travel Grants	€ 4.500,00	3x 1500
Joint Seed Grants	€ 5.000,00	Collaboration with ACHI
Director	€ 60.000,00	1 d/w
Coordinator	€ 38.000,00	4 d/w
<b>Total planned expenses</b>	<b>€ 330.834,00</b>	
<b>Subsidy</b>	<b>€ 300.000,00</b>	
<b>Balance</b>	<b>€ -30.834,00</b>	

### Appendix 3: Awarded Centre for Urban Studies Seed Grants 2016-2019

At this moment we are in the process of gathering information on follow ups, therefore the information in the last column is still incomplete.

Date awarded	Date of activity	Awarded to	Title	Description	Follow up (monitoring in progress)
January 2016	2-4 December 2016	Willem Salet	'3-days international seminar on Institutions in Action'	This three-days international seminar aims to bring together researchers to discuss philosophical pragmatism and institutional innovation in Urban Studies and to develop relevant alternatives of international planning theory. The seminar will conclude with a master class for PhD researchers and young urban professionals, and an academic publication on the institutions in practices of urban planning.	Handbook: The Routledge Handbook of Institutions and Planning in Action (Routledge 2018)
January 2016	4 November 2016	Fenneke Wekker and Jan Willem Duyvendak	'Homing the Dutch: On the Planning and Politics of Belonging'	A seminar on the urban planning of belonging in which results of a study and a special issue on the ways urban architecture, design, and policies shape feelings of home in Dutch cities from an international perspective. The study considers a collaboration with urban sociologists and anthropologists from UvA, TU Delft and CUNY, and will be published in 2016 by the peer reviewed journal 'Home Cultures'.	<a href="#">Special issue: Homing the Dutch: Politics and the Planning of Belonging</a> (Home Cultures, 2016)
January 2016	September 2016	Hebe Verrest and Joos Droogleever Fortuijn	'Mapping and Sharing Amsterdam Sustainability' (student internship)	This project entails a five month internship of a graduate student in Urban Studies to collect, select, analyze, establish networks and share information on sustainability initiatives in Amsterdam. The results will be publicly shared on two online platforms: Oursus (Global Sustainable Cities Network part of the International Geographical Union (IGU) and the UN Compact Cities Program. Aim is to map sustainability initiatives in Amsterdam and contribute to policymaking.	
January 2016	March 21, 2016	Dorien Zandbergen	'Power, Citizenship and Participation in 'smart' urban environments'	This one-day workshop connects different programme groups and showcases the results of several interconnected research projects. The workshop aims to bring together critical researchers who present and discuss new insights on three projects related to the smart city debate. Aim is to inspire new collaborations, develop a research agenda /questions and to establish a place in the smart city debate.	
January 2016	May- November 2016	Lia Karsten	Valorisation project 'Opgroeien in de drukke stad'	Based on some years of research on growing up in inner city neighborhoods in Amsterdam and Rotterdam, a book will be published that will provide design proposals for inner city planning. Furthermore, upon publication of this book a seminar with experts from various disciplines will be organized in order to discuss and draft a new research and policy agenda.	Book: De nieuwe generatie stadskinderen (Nai, 2016), 12 talks/lectures, media exposure

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April 2016	February 2017	Federico Savini	'The urban professional: Changing cities in times of dispersed and specialized urban knowledge'	International trans-disciplinary symposium of one-day in order to assess the changing nature of the 'urban professional' and the subsequent new political constellations of urban power. The final product of the symposium will be an edited book publication on the findings.	Edited volume (Policy Press, forthcoming)
April 2016	September 16, 2016	Francesco Colona	'Urban Security and Spatial Interventions: Bringing Anthropology and Planning into Dialogue'	One-day workshop in which urban anthropologists and urban planners are brought together in order to develop an interdisciplinary language on urban security issues.	
April 2016	September 23, 2016	Edda Bild	'Urban Public Space and Data Gathering: a multi-disciplinary challenge'	One-day international multidisciplinary workshop on sound in urban public space in which key-note speeches are followed by plenary debate and a soundwalk through Amsterdam. The results of the workshop will be presented in a white paper.	Media coverage, book chapter, invited submission for handbook on Sonic Methodologies, follow-up grant from the Municipality of Amsterdam, invited lectures, invited workshop
April 2016	16-17 March 2017	Dennis Rodgers	'The enduring relevance of the Chicago School of Sociology for contemporary urban studies'	One-day international workshop that aims to explore how and why the CSS might have continuing relevance to contemporary urban studies. The presentations will form the basis for an innovative edited collection in an urban studies journal.	Edited publication (Cambridge University Press), successful follow up panel at the American Studies Association meeting 2018
April 2016	Spring 2016	Niels Beerepoot	'Two month research visit Dr. Sahil Gandhi,	Dr. Sahil Gandhi (University of Mumbai, department of Economics) will be a CUS visiting researcher for two months in order to work on two papers and a joint grant application on	

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			University of Mumbai'	urban property markets in Mumbai. In addition, he will provide a guest lecture and contribute to a special half-day seminar on urban India.	
April 2016	-	Olga Sezneva	'Conductors and Computers: recovering the human infrastructures of smart, high-tech, and technologizing c	(CANCELLED) An international, interdisciplinary comparative study of urban infrastructures in Amsterdam and St. Petersburg, leading to the formulation of a research program and methodology discussed at a three-day workshop in Amsterdam in order to prepare for a European grant application.	
April 2016	9 May 2016	Virginie Mamadouh, Wouter van Gent, Justus Uitermark	'Amsterdam Fair City - International lessons - INURA Amsterdam'	Public event in cooperation with INURA (International Network for Urban Research and Action), and Fair City, with international guests, aiming to present an alternative to the urban policy agenda that is being developed during the Dutch Presidency of the European Union.	
June 2016	18 October 2016	Marco Bontje	'Post-industrial development strategies as a topic in comparative urban studies'	Building on earlier collaborations, this workshop aims to bring together researchers in the field of urban studies, human geography, and political science from the Centre for Urban Studies and the Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography in Germany.	-A conference presentation: 'Multiscalar Polarization: Scale, Inequality, and Social Sustainability in Regional Growth and Decline' at the conference 'Coping with uneven development' in Leipzig (27-29 September 2017). This conference was organized by the Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography, the institute where one of the seed grant co-applicants Dr. Nadir Kinossian works.

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					<p>-Involvement in a research proposal: together with Dorien Manting and Luca Bertolini, for a Marie Curie International Training Network about 'Mobility and Work'.</p> <p>- 2 NWO ERA-NET Grants (299.196 euros and 296.562 euros)</p> <p>- EU Marie Curie Grant (265.620 euros)</p>
June 2016	June 10 2016	Oana Druta, Richard Ronald	'New Perspectives on Urban Living in Contemporary Romania'	This workshop connects researchers from Eastern Europe with members of the Centre for Urban Studies to share expertise on housing and urban living. The final product of this meeting will be a report serving as a basis for a future research grant proposal.	<p>Bringing together people that later also met during the INURA conference in Bucharest in 2016.</p> <p>And thanks to the relationships that were maintained in the follow up, Oana Druta was able to include Bucharest in a large proposal she wrote in 2019.</p>
June 2016	18 May 2017	Marguerite van den Berg	'The feminizing city? Productions of space for the post-Fordist sexual contract'	This international workshop entails a collaboration between the Centre for Urban Studies and Amsterdam Research Center for Gender & Sexuality at the UvA. The goal is to better understand the impact of the changing gendered division of labour for cities and to forge connections between the field of gender and urban studies.	Book presentation, workshop and collaboration with ARC GS. And collaboration and application of Seed Grant XL awarded to

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					Sarah Bracke and Darshan Vigneswaran.
June 2016	25 October 2016	Tuna Tasan Kok	‘Mobile Urban Lab Experiment on Meaningful Encounters in Amsterdam’	Researchers will visit selected ‘spaces of meaningful encounters’ during a coordinated walk. The Walking Urban Lab is used to explore different spaces and initiatives that bring people from diverse backgrounds together, and gain insight into the practices, challenges and opportunities in creating encounters that could potentially increase social cohesion in a neighborhood. The findings will be presented and discussed during a public ‘City as a Lab’ debate at Pakhuis de Zwijger.	In November 2017 Tuna was invited by University of Cardiff to be part of a research network to develop a proposal together on the basis of public space design and social cohesion.  Furthermore this Mobile Urban Lab was included in various University courses as teaching and conferences/lectures as a way of disseminating the knowledge.
June 2016	7 and 8 June 2016	Francesco Colona; Thijs Jeursen; Tracian Meikle; Carolina Frossard; Alana Osbourne; Lior Volinz; Dav	‘CUS Spring Workshop: The Political and the City’		
December 2016	14 ,15 February 2017	Karin Pfeffer and Christien Klaufus	‘Mapping denied spaces through new urban methodologies’	A two-day workshop with the objective to establish a research network for the development of a larger grant proposal, based on the integration of different methodologies for mapping and in-depth exploration of ‘denied spaces’.	Co-authored conference paper:  Debray, H., Kuffer, M., Persello, C., Klaufus, C. And Pfeffer, K. (2019)

					<p>Detection of Informal Graveyards in Lima using</p> <p>Fully Convolutional Network with VHR Images, Conference Proceedings of JURSE 2019, May 2019, Vannes.</p> <p>Follow-up workshop at the IAS in Amsterdam, with funding from the Netherlands Platform of Complex Systems, where several people of the first workshop were also present, with the topic: Examining Dynamics of Deprived Settlements In Different Geographic Contexts; Standards and Transferability; (applicants: Karin Pfeffer, Mike Lees, Nina Schwarz, Debraj Roy); Christien Klaufus as participant.</p>
December 2016	16 October 2017	Edda Bild, Adeola Enigbokan, Michiel Huijsman, Mercedes Zandwijken	‘Sounds of Amsterdam. Reframing sound as a resource supporting urban transformations’	This project brings together locally-based urban researchers with planners, designers, policy makers, local artists and citizens, to collaborate on an exploratory research into how sound, and the design of aural experience, can contribute to debates on urban change and renewal in Amsterdam.	

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December 2016	4 April 2018	Robert Kloosterman, Amanda Brandellero, Claartje Rasterhoff (Faculty of Humanities), Rosa Koetsenruijter	'PLATFORM: The Urban Commons of Culture: Collective Action and Cultural and Creative Industries'	A platform to bring experts on culture and creative industries in urban contexts across different countries together. In addition, this platform serves to share and disseminate this knowledge for the benefit of stakeholder communities, particularly of those located in Amsterdam through an on-line platform, and to build and strengthen networks between academic researchers and city policy makers, practitioners in the field of arts, culture and creative industries, neighbourhood associations active in the field of culture.	Horizon2020 grant: CICERONE (Kloosterman)  €2.999.446  NWO Creative Industries (160.000 euros)
December 2016	January 2017	Bo Paulle	'SAGA High Dosage Tutoring in Amsterdam'	SAGA Innovations, a non-profit organization based in Boston, is spearheading the effort to bring a very specific form of tutoring to massively disadvantaged inner city students across the US and beyond. This specific projects focuses upon the tutoring effort at the secondary level in Amsterdam West at the Mundus College.	€1.2 million for extension of HDT project to Haarlem
December 2016	Fall 2018	Darshan Vigneswaran	'Who Can Stay: A Comparative Study of Mobility Control in Amsterdam and Yangon'	This project explores what factors determine who can stay in the city through comparative research in Amsterdam and Yangon. The project builds on pilot research conducted by students from Political Science, Sociology, Anthropology, Business Administration and Law at the University of Amsterdam and forges a collaboration between these students and their counterparts at the University of Yangon(UY)in Myanmar.	
December 2016	28-29 June 2017	Frank Müller	'Securitizing Urban Housing: A Comparative Approach'	A group of workshops under the title of "Securitizing Urban Housing: A Comparative Approach" that will provide a platform for research staff of the CUS and AISSR, as well as other (foreign and national) academic institutions, to discuss ongoing research projects. The events will facilitate "strategic comparisons" to examine the correlation of housing and securitization in European cities and beyond.	Special issue (submitted to IJURR), network and field work stays at Universidad Nacional de Colombia/Medellín, papers in ERLACS (submitted), Marie Curie proposal, collaboration with Austin Zeiderman
Oktober 2016	August-September 2017	Francesco Colona (Governance and Inclusive Development) & Tracian Meikle (Governance and	"Parallel Art Residencies on Queering the Urban: Kingston/Montego Bay, Nairobi,	This artist in residency serves to bridge the gap between academia and art, by articulating them in a non-hierarchical trans-disciplinary process that will also serve as a vehicle for CUS academics to engage with artistic practices. The main aim is to deepen the mutual understanding between the two categories, that of artists and that of scholars, when approaching important societal issues such as those posed by different forms of urbanity, from Kingston and Montego Bay to Nairobi to Amsterdam and beyond. An attempt at co-	

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		Inclusive Development)	Amsterdam and beyond”	crafting a mutual form of knowledge production will be paramount, with particular analytical and reflective relevance given to the different sensitivities that are mobilized in these processes. Such effort will find an outcome in a collective art/academic installation/performance at the end of the two parallel art residencies. At the end of the art residency, the artist will be given a space at Pakhuis de Zwijger for their own artwork to be exhibited or performed. Furthermore, the outcomes of these art residencies will “fold back” in Kingston and Nairobi which will be a valuable opportunity for the CUS to forge trans-disciplinary and transnational connections.	
Oktober 2016	May 2017- November 2018	Maria Kaika (Urban Planning)	“Mortgaged Lives: the Biopolitics of Debt and Home-Ownership”	This project aims to develop methods that link political-economic processes that drive the financialisation of housing to the socio-spatial experience of living with mortgage debt and home repossessions. With Barcelona (300,000 Spanish homes repossessed) and Athens (300,000 Greek households pending evictions) as laboratories, the project pilots an innovative research method for data sourcing by organizing a community theatre and making a documentary together with Hans Busstra, Independent documentary filmmaker (EO, KRO, VPRO Tegenlicht). The documentary will be screened during a public event autumn 2017.	KNAW NIAS Fellowship: 22.800 euros
Oktober 2016	October 2017- October 2018	Anna Nikolaeva (Urban Planning)	“Cities and Mobilities”	“Cities and Mobilities” is a series of seminars in which (inter)national researchers with a background in sociology, geography, urban planning, anthropology, history and cultural studies are engaged to investigate how mobility shapes cities. Each seminar consists of a lecture by a leading mobility scholar, a discussion and a couple of presentations by PhDs and Postdocs, followed by feedback and a public debate. The seminar series will run from October 2017 until May 2018, closed by a final event that will bring together scholars and Amsterdam policy-makers in a roundtable on mobility in Amsterdam.	Creation of an agenda on the city and mobility in Amsterdam ( <a href="https://dezwiiger.nl/programma/communing-mobility">https://dezwiiger.nl/programma/communing-mobility</a> )  Creation of an international network of over 100 people including citizens, artists, students, researchers, politicians and experts
Oktober 2016	2017	Michaela Hordijk (Governance and	Co-creation: Sharing	This seed grant XL project serves to foster experiential learning between actors in the living labs like Buiksloterham and other brown field transformation areas (eg. Cruquius,	Verdus Surf Pop-up Grant: “Circular

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		Inclusive Development)	knowledge between Living Labs in Brownfield Transformation areas	Amsterdam, Binckhorst, Den Haag). The learning draws on the principles of Reflexive Interactive Design, developed to enhance concrete action by the actors involved, yet simultaneously identifying where changes in the wider system in which their experiment is embedded are needed. Next to collecting data, a series of workshops and (public) meetings on the Circular City are organized at different locations – namely the Binckhorst in the Hague and Pakhuis de Zwijger - to further knowledge exchange on urban experiments in brownfield transformation areas. A special masterclass for CUS students, PhD's, junior researchers is organized to present the results to the involved partners from Buiksloterham. Furthermore, the tentative results are presented on an international conference Practicing the commons: Self-governance, cooperation, and institutional change. The end results are presented in a paper to be submitted to a journal and will be used to write a SURF grant proposal.	Potential: Connection Opportunities Water and Energy in the Amsterdam Metropolitan Area (MRA)" €50.000.
May 2017	23 June 2017	Fenne Pinkster, Willem Boterman	'The Impact of Urban Tourism'	An international workshop and a public seminar on the impact of urban tourism in order to contribute to the current public debate in Amsterdam and prepare for an European grant application.	Grant application (submitted once, but not funded), academic + public event
May 2017	January 2018 – June 2018	Hebe Verrest (GID) and Rivke Jaffe (GID)	'Critical Comparative Urbanism Seminar Series'	This Seminar series support to develop a closer engagement amongst CUS scholars with debates on the geographies of urban theory. In doing so, it also fosters dialogue between different disciplines and it increases the visibility of the CUS in- and outside the UvA.	
May 2017	7 June 2017	Jelke Bosma (RMUS Student), Eline Splinter (RMUS Student), Justus Uitermark (PS), and Wouter van Gent (UG)	'The right to govern the city – RMUS Symposium 2017'	This symposium, organized by the Research Master students in Urban Studies, connects the Centre to a wider audience by bringing together academics as well as practitioners by approaching various cases from both academic and practical perspectives during a public discussion. The symposium offers students and researchers at the Centre for Urban Studies a chance to engage, connect and discuss with senior academics and experts from the field. In addition, a documentary on the activities of the Resma students in Urban Studies is shown and a series of blog posts will be published.	
May 2017	Ongoing	Carolina Maurity Frossard (Governance and Inclusive Development)	'City Talks – A CUS Podcast Series'	The main goal of the CUS podcast series City Talks is to engage topics of interest to urban studies – such as conflict, security, diversity, identity, and representation – through a format accessible (and enjoyable) to listeners from within and outside academia. The idea is not to merely translate ongoing research into laymen's terms, but to weave together the voices of urban researchers and residents, in order to construct absorbing and relatable narratives around a particular theme.	
May 2017	17-18 May 2018	Carolyn Birdsall (Faculty of Humanities/ASCA	'Urban Heritage-Making: Cultural Forms, Local	This Seed Grant envisions the organization of an academic workshop and a "Museum Day" in collaboration with Amsterdam Museum. At the workshop with international guests invited and pre-circulated papers are discussed with the idea of forming a special issue on	- Co-edited special issue 'Sensing Urban Values'(forthcoming

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		), Linda van de Kamp (Political Sociology), and Anastasiya Halauniova (Political Sociology)	Histories and Redevelopment'	the topic of urban cultures, heritage and redevelopment. The Musuem day takes place in the Amsterdam Museum auditorium, this second day will include a moderated and public round-table and an interactive performance by the interdisciplinary artist collective Moving Matters Traveling Workshop titled 'In/Heriting Cities'. The results of the workshop will be used for a Special Issue of the Journal Cultural Geographies.	in Space and Culture, 2021) with individual articles by Van de Kamp and Halauniova  -Video about the Moving Matters Travelling Workshop which was part of the 'traverse heritage' of the two-day event 'Urban Valorization' in the Portrait Gallery of the Golden Age in the Hermitage Museum: <a href="https://vimeo.com/295486240">https://vimeo.com/295486240</a>  - News item: <a href="https://oost-online.nl/buurtkoorsannas-in-de-hermitage/">https://oost-online.nl/buurtkoorsannas-in-de-hermitage/</a>  - Blog: <a href="https://www.euroopenowjournal.org/2018/07/01/elective-anxieties-migrating-art-with-the-moving-matters-traveling-workshop/">https://www.euroopenowjournal.org/2018/07/01/elective-anxieties-migrating-art-with-the-moving-matters-traveling-workshop/</a>
November 2017	March 2018	Daan Bossuyt	International collaboration of junior researchers. 'Self-build housing and		

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			comparative urbanism'		
November 2017	27-18 March 2018	Alana Osbourne (Governance and Inclusive Development)	Workshop 'Horizons, Chronicity & the City'	This international, two-day workshop aims to be a multidisciplinary event in which scholars working on issues around temporality and space are invited to debate with researchers at the Centre for Urban Studies/UvA. The workshop will focus on understandings of horizons and the merging of past, present, and future temporalities with the urban.	
November 2017	17 November 2017	David Laws (Transnational Configurations, Conflict and Governance)	Workshop 'the State of Conflict'	This conference reflects on the significance and changing character of political practices and social relations in the Netherlands through the lens of conflict. It will bring together a diverse group from civil society, government, the private sector, and the research community to analyse and discuss trends in Dutch society. The day is hosted by prof dr Alexander Rinnooy Kan. At the end of the day, the first National Negotiation Award will be awarded, in cooperation with the Dutch newspaper NRC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- It has become an annual event</li> <li>- Currently organizing the third conference.</li> <li>- Brings together citizens, professionals from government, civic and activist organizations, and practitioners</li> <li>- Through connections related to the Conference and the seed grant, the Public Mediation Programme hosted the MGA network for the first of what we anticipate will become an annual meeting. The MGA network is a network of professionals engaged broadly with conflicts and efforts to deal constructively with conflict.</li> </ul>

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					- We also organized a Masterclass for staff and affiliated personnel from the SER.
November 2017	16-20 January, 2017	Federico Savini (Urban Planning) & Zef Hemel (Urban Planning)	Masterstudio 'The Circular City: Planning for Resourceful Cities'	The studio is a yearly recurring teaching programme consisting of one week full of lectures, activities and workshops around the central theme of circular economy and spatial transformations. It aims to bring together international scholars, Dutch thinkers and activists in the field of circular urban development, students and urban professionals. Classes are open to participants (free for CUS PhD students) upon registration. The results of the studio will be presented during a public debate at Pakhuis de Zwijger.	- Proposal writing for a ERC funding scheme and VIDI-NWO scheme  -Paper published in Journal of Environmental policy and Planning. <a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/1523908X.2019.1670048">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/1523908X.2019.1670048</a>  -It secured further funding by sLIM foundation for three more editions of the studio (based on the success of the 'Circular city' studio'.
June 2018	28 June – 8 December 2019	Willem Salet (Urban Planning), Daniel Bossuyt (Urban Planning) and Stan Majoor (HvA)	'The Right to Build' - International exhibition and Week of self built housing	Housing construction worldwide is increasingly directly commissioned by residents themselves. The international exhibition 'The Right to Build', the accompanying publication, and a series of seminars works towards an international comparison of practices of self-built housing. The events will take place during fall 2019.	
June 2018	June 2019	Marguerite van den Berg & Lisette Olsthoorn	'Commoning work – an art project'	This seed grant envisions a collaboration across the arts and sciences on the topic of the urban commoning of labour. A plan for a visual art project on women's experiences with (reproductive) labour will be developed, as well as a grant proposal for a more extensive project.	Public event at De Bovengrondse and <a href="#">Het Nieuwe Instituut</a>

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June 2018	28-29 March 2019	Jan Rath	Urban Scene Investigation	A series of international workshops will focus on how the proliferation of urban amenities affects the cultural consumption of the new middle classes, and how those processes relate to urban identities, life styles and the urban commons.
June 2018	29 November 2018	Francesca Pilo'	Digital technologies and Urban politics'	Digital technologies can democratize access to urban knowledge production and policy formulation, but can equally enable increased surveillance and the commodification of private information. This project aims to explore how both urban residents and governance actors negotiate this tension between democracy and control. International urban scholars will come together during a workshop to explore this question from different disciplinary and methodological perspectives.
September 2018	9 – 10 May 2019	Cody Hochstenbach and Tim Verlaan	Workshop 'Gentrification Throughout the Ages'	This seed grant aims to bring together academics from the fields of urban geography, urban history and other urban studies-related subdisciplines to fill the remarkable gap on the historical understanding of gentrification. As output the organisers hope to publish the workshop papers in a special issue of the peer-reviewed City journal.
September 2018	16 – 17 October 2019	Wouter van Gent, Willem Boterman & Marco Bontje	Seminar and public event 'The new geographies of the European city'	This seminar and public event seek to answer the question: what constitutes the European city in the 21 <sup>st</sup> century? How may we understand its specific institutional and spatial context and what are the social implications across the continent? The wish is to edit a special issue based on our central question for a journal such as <i>Urban Studies</i> or <i>Cities</i> .
September 2018	22 June 2019	Floris Vermeulen & Els de Graauw	Workshop on "The Urban Politics of Immigration, Integration, and Diversity in Amsterdam and New York City"	This workshop brings together politicians from New York City and Amsterdam with urban scholars to discuss different urban approaches to immigration, integration, representation, and diversity. The aim is to reflect critically on different urban approaches to managing and leveraging immigration-induced diversity. This international workshop is part of Pakhuis de Zwijger's <a href="#">'We Make The City'</a> programme.
September 2018	28 March 2019	Tuna Tasan-Kok, Danielle Chevalier, Michiel Stapper, Martijn van den Hurk	It's the (New) Law: Responsibility, Flexibility and City Futures	In these seminar series, that bring together academics from various disciplines and public-sector planners and politicians, the discursive and practical implications of the new 'Omgevingswet' (Environment and Planning Act) are explored and discussed. In particular, the processes of responsabilisation, flexibilisation and experimentation are deliberated in relation to real-life cases.

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January 2019	25 September 2019	Letizia Chiappini	Alternative Urban Futures: City Tour, Workshop and Public Event	The event will consist of three parts: a tour of alternative sites and urban commons in Amsterdam, an academic workshop where chapter authors and invited CUS academics will discuss the possibilities of a shared research agenda on seeking alternative urban futures and a public event where selected speakers will present work pertaining to alternative urbanism in Amsterdam, followed by a panel debate with academics, activists, planners, and politicians.	
January 2019	ongoing	Fenne Pinkster & Willem Boterman	Research Project 'The Canal Belt as a Gucci Bag'	Pinkster and Boterman investigate how residents appreciate living in this highly dynamic environment, exploring how the neighborhood functions both locally and globally as an aspirational residential space for many, while at the same time identifying possible challenges and tensions that arise in the everyday by the combination of different functions. By expanding their study to include the experiences of new residents, the researchers hope to provide further insight into the future of Amsterdam's city center as a place of residence.	
April 2019	15 October	Rivke Jaffe, Kasia Mika and Janna Coomans	Urban Infrastructures - A playshop	In recent years, social sciences such as geography and anthropology have witnessed an "infrastructural turn", focusing on roads, electricity networks, sewage systems and so on to understand how these sociotechnical systems distribute people, resources and risks across space. Meanwhile, research in the humanities - specifically history and cultural studies - has similarly begun to study the uses and meanings of such architectures of circulation, engaging with infrastructure as an important lens for understanding urban life across different historical and cultural contexts. This "playshop" aims to generate an interdisciplinary conversation within the UvA between such scholars working on urban infrastructures who oftentimes work in parallel scholarly and disciplinary spaces.	
May 2019	Ongoing	Tracian Meikle	Reading Groups: Public Conversations on Gentrification and Art in the Bijlmer'	By putting into conversation ideas of the commons, communing and community, in the context of urban inequalities rooted in a colonial past, Meikle seeks to trouble the neutrality of art as a public good by teasing out the power structures and tensions that exists as a part of these works and spaces. This is done through looking at public art and creative projects in the Bijlmer neighbourhood in Amsterdam. The aim is to understand how assumptions that are linked to stereotypes about different groups, informs the interest of putting art into a certain space and how does the choosing of the art as form of intervention or renewal further the othering of a population. This is investigated through a series of public conversations and reading groups within the neighbourhood.	

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May 2019	Ongoing	Tina Harris	Managing Urban Air Space: A Pilot Study - Workshop	This pilot project aims to bring together air traffic controllers (ATCs) from two cities – Kathmandu and Amsterdam – in order to better understand the effects of these urban technological-environmental transformations on their working lives: learning new systems and technologies while dealing with increased stress and a global labour shortage in ATCs. The results from this pilot are intended to lead towards an ERC Consolidator 2020 and/or NWO VIDJ grant application to study the ways that civil aviation regulators, aviation personnel, and airport planners manage and prepare for the increasing growth in air traffic in three urban locations: Kathmandu, Lima, and Amsterdam.	
May 2019	Ongoing	Darshan Vigneswaran & Sarah Bracke	Between ‘rapefugees’ and nativist rape threats’	If public space is the primary material manifestation of the ‘urban commons’ – why is it so rarely experienced, accessed or held ‘in common’? The first aim of this project is to bring scholars from different fields (gender studies, migration studies, urban studies) together to think thoroughly and systematically about physical violence and representation in public space. The second aim of this project is to carefully map out how this trope operates in a contemporary Dutch context, where the trope of the ‘foreign’ sexual predator co-occurs with ‘nativist’ rape threats addressed to those who push back against the ‘foreign’ sexual predator trope and envision ways of creating a shared public space.	
May 2019	First events on 2-3 October 2019	Frank Müller & Julienne Weegels	ILLICITIES – Criminalized City-Building	Organized crime is mainly studied in relation to illicit economies, the cross border movement of migrants, arms and drugs and in the ways in which it discursively and materially justifies military and police responses. In this context, cities assume a crucial role as spaces that concentrate economic wealth and political power. Research on the crime/“city-building” nexus has, to a lesser extent, reflected on the material conditions that shape illicit urbanization. Being essential drivers and objects of those arrangements, land, construction materials, apartments and resources (water, electric energy and gas) as well as the specific design of neighborhood renewal point to the necessity to include the materiality of cities within the analyses of illicit urbanization. In order to incentivize debates that address this void, ILLICITIES asks how organized crime affects urbanization.	
May 2019	Ongoing	Nanke Verloo, Virginie Mamadouh, Fenne Pinkster, Dolly Loomans & Julia Strijland	Commoning Amsterdam’s Future	The city of Amsterdam is quickly expanding, posing new challenges to create plans for the future that foster the wide array of interests and dreams of the people of Amsterdam. While such planning strategies have traditionally been top- down, the municipality now aims to include bottom-up experiences and interests of various stakeholders like residents, entrepreneurs, and professionals. However, only stakeholders working and living in the city center and who were officially invited have thus far been engaged in this process. This project aims to ‘common Amsterdam’s future’ from the bottom-up by including a group of citizens that has so far remained ‘outside’ of the planning process and wider discussions about the city’s plans for the future through the method of storytelling.	
June 2019	Ongoing	Ying-Tzu Lin, Elisa Fiore, Letizia Chiappini, Willem	Turning garbage into gold: the journey of food	In this pilot research, scholars from CUS and ACHI will carry out a project on food waste and production of urban space. In particular, processes of decommodification and recommodification of comestibles taking place and interacting with urban space are	

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		Boterman, Tim Verlaan & Peter van Dam	waste and their economy of worth in urban space and platform	analysed. How does food devaluation - i.e. its decommodification - almost paradoxically becomes the precondition for the circulation and revaluation of devalued surplus? This cycle of commodification, de-commodification and –when waste becomes reused-sometimes re-commodification, doesn't take place in a vacuum. There are geographies of this cycle that are part and parcel of the landscape of food and food waste. By tracing and mapping out where and how the de-commodification of food happens, and even given new value of waste, the landscape where non/anti/de-commodification takes place in the city can be sketched out. Taking food waste and its journey of devaluation and revaluation as a lens, academic debates and broader societal implications on the cultural history of food and food waste, as well as the ethics of food consumption, and the role that food and food waste play in engaging urban commons, can be opened up.	
June 2019 (Teaching Buyout Grant)		Pamela Prickett	A City at Odds with Itself? How Expats are Re-Making Amsterdam		
June 2019 (Teaching Buy Out Grant)		Marguerite vd Berg	Compositions of security in times of precarization	While we know that decades of welfare reform has destabilized life for many Europeans and labour, for many, no longer supports life, scholarship that looks at precarisation of work, care and infrastructure in its interrelatedness is scarce. Precarisation is understood here as a post-Fordist mode of governing in which life is destabilized (Lorey, 2015). The proposed study aims to carry the <i>empirical</i> study of precariousness (Butler, 2005) and precarisation beyond the focus on labour and the precariousness of individual bodies to the precariousness of everyday and interrelated social practices of work, care and infrastructure. It looks at how urban Europeans <i>do security</i> . To do this, the proposal builds on theories of precarisation, post-Fordist urbanism and European welfare reform.	
June 2019 (Fellowship Grant)		Daan Bossuyt	Housing Informality in the Global North	Scholars once assumed informal housing was exclusive to the Global South. Recently, empirical research has acknowledged the role of informal housing in housing systems of the Global North. Informal housing is a highly geographically uneven practice, which is often interwoven with formal economies of housing and land. The state plays a crucial role in the production of informal housing through using informality as a spatial categorization tool, which can legitimate intervention. This raises the question through what mechanisms the state produces informal housing practices. To investigate this, this proposal takes the case of the Netherlands, where in recent years there has been a proliferation of illegal permanent occupancy of holiday homes.	
June 2019		Nagwa Kady	Finding Common Ground? -	Property development is a key driving force in the development of contemporary cities. Not only has it crucial repercussions on urban planning processes, but the entanglement of	

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(Fellowship Grant)			Governing Social Responsibility and Property Development in Amsterdam and Dubai	public and private sector actors in property development is often considered as a major contributor to rising inequalities and injustices affecting regular urban dwellers. Simultaneously, private sector actors' increasing awareness of social accountability have led to the building of strategies that contribute to the welfare of the society. Despite this realization, the concept of social responsibility – referring to individuals and companies being obliged to act in the best interests of the environment and society as a whole, and addressed in the business sphere for instance in terms of corporate social responsibility (CSR) – has not gained traction within the planning field. The envisaged research aims to explore new avenues to govern social responsibility in property development.	
June 2019 (Fellowship Grant)		Lieke Prins	Creative Hangouts in Urban Spaces	Over the last decades, street art has become a worldwide phenomenon and developed from an illegal practice into an appreciated popular public art form. The development of the street art movement has provoked local governments to reconsider policies and respond to the urban practice. In Amsterdam, the municipality recently installed a city curator, and in Medellín, the municipality installed mesa de graffiti to provide permits. The movement has triggered new dynamics, power relations, and raises questions about the people involved. For this Ph.D. research, Lieke Prins is interested in the following research question: “How do street artists, bystanders, and policymakers contemplate and appreciate street art interventions in public space in Colombia and the Netherlands?”	
June 2019 (Fellowship Grant)		Gokce Sanul	Going Away from the City	This research aims to understand emerging communities migrating from the metropolis of Istanbul to the rural areas situated at the west coast of Turkey. This spatial mobility — not to, but away from the city -- points to an important sociopolitical transformation that our cities are facing today and deserves a deeper elaboration. Although there is no previous research on the profile of these communities, they indicate secular, educated people from middle or upper middle class of Turkish society. They are experimenting with ecological-communal life forms, organizing seminars on ecological farming methods or entrepreneurship in rural areas. Based on this preliminary observation, the main goal of the proposed research is to gain a more profound understanding about the acts of commoning and new forms of publicness developing through these emerging ex-urban communities in western rural areas of Turkey.	
August 2019 (Fellowship Grant)		Manuela Ferreira Torres	Innovative Mobile Methods		

## Appendix 4: Publications and other results of CUS Postdocs

### Petter Törnberg

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### Francesca Pilo',

0,7FTE, 1-1-2018 till 31-12-2018

#### Grants

FNRS Post-doctoral Fellowship (submitted in February) – personal grant within the Wallonia research community (work in Brussels). Result: Funded

#### Publications

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Pilo' F., (submitted in January 2018), Materializing electric politics: utility bills and political negotiations in Rio de Janeiro, *City & Society* - Review received in Sept. 2018: minor modifications.

Pilo' F. and Jaffe R. (submitted in January 2018), Introduction of the special issue « The Political Materiality of Cities », *City & Society*

### **Dorien Zandbergen 01-09-2019**

0,8 FTE, 01-09-2018 till 31-08-2019

#### **Prizes**

*Prijs voor Publieke Sociologie voor de documentaire Smart City*

*The Public Sociology Prize is for sociologists, whose graduation was less than 10 years ago, to recognize and stimulate social scientific work that is not purely academic, but focused on public engagement. This year (2018), the prize was awarded to Dorien Zandbergen for her work in the discussion about the digital society, and in particular the smart city. She did so through publications, but also through other means, for instance the film 'SmartCity'.*

#### **Details:**

**Awarded date: 14 Jun 2018**

**Granting Organisations: Nederlandse Sociologische Vereniging**

#### **Publications**

Zandbergen, A. D., & Uitermark, J. L. (2019). In search of the Smart Citizen: Republican and cybernetic citizenship in the smart city. *Urban Studies*, [<https://doi.org/10.1177/0042098019847410>].  
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### **Mayra Ribeiro Mosciaro**

0,6 FTE, 01-03-2019 till 28-02-2021

*As Mayra Ribeiro Mosciaro has just started her Postdoc at the Centre for Urban Studies, there is, not yet, any output regarding her publications in the system.*

**Appendix 5: Publications by CUS members**

	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>
Refereed articles	76	87	118	133	132	100	111
Non-refereed articles	10	2	38	5	3	2	3
Books	3	6	4	7	15	8	7*
Book chapters	54	52	37	71	64	31	47
PhD-theses	1	0	12	10	3	6	2
Professional publications **	42	51	21	46	23	61	34
Publications aimed at the general public**	72	88	62	79	71	59	68
<b>Total publications</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>272</b>

\* 3 books + 4 edited volumes

\*\*Including web publications

Note: Data derives from the PURE database. As researchers can (and mostly do) add publications later than the given year, these numbers might be an underestimation.

**Appendix 6: New projects and grants in which CUS members are involved, awarded or started in 2017, 2018 or 2019**

Project	Submitted by/involved researcher	Funding agency	Grant (€)	Award date	Starting date	Geldstroom
Becas Chili beurs Ricardo Fuentealba Fuentes	Gupta, Verrest	Conicyt BECAS-Chile	€ 122.000	01/07/2016	31/03/2017	3
Opinion Dynamics and Cultural Conflict in European Spaces (ODYCCEUS)	Uitermark, Justus	EU H2020 FETPROACT-01-2016	€ 1.378.748	28/07/2016	01/01/2017	2
Interreg Europe: CYCLEWALKMODE	Bertolini, Brommelstroet, Glaser	ERDF Interreg Europe	€204.424,11	30/11/2016	01/01/2017	3
BRIGHT FUTURE - Bright future for black towns: reinventing European industrial towns and challenging dominant post-industrial discourses	Bontje (UvA als co-applicant) Researcher: Hoekstra	NWO ERA-NET Cofund Smart Urban Futures (ENSUF)	€ 299.196	14/12/2016	01/03/2017	2
3S RECIPE - Smart Shrinkage Solutions – Fostering Resilient Cities in Inner Peripheries of Europe	Bontje (UvA als co-applicant) researcher: Hochstenbach	NWO ERA-NET Cofund Smart Urban Futures (ENSUF)	€ 297.562	14/12/2016	31/03/2017	2
KNAW jonge akademie Olivia M. Gomes da Cunha	Jaffe	KNAW Visiting Professors Programme	€ 12.300	15/12/2016	27/05/2017	3
DiverIMPACTS Diversification through Rotation, Intercropping, Multiple cropping, Promoted with Actors and value-Chains Towards Sustainability	Grin	EU/H2020	€ 245.250	2017	01/06/2017	2

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Reconciling artisanal/small-scale mining (ASM) and food production in multi-functional landscapes: a two-pronged approach (Aggrey, Jane - Indonesia)	Gupta/ Ros	Nuffic NFP	€ 83.000	09/01/2017	01/03/2017	3
Who governs the sea? (Nuffic Maria Catalina Garcia)	Gupta/Bavinck	Nuffic NFP	€ 63.086	09/01/2017	01/09/2017	3
A Place for the Asylum Seekers. European migration policies and their socio-spatial impacts PASS (Silvia Aru)	Vigneswaran, Darshan	EU H2020-MSCA-IF-2016	€ 165.599	12/01/2017		2
NWO Vrije Competitie Engelen: Neoliberalisme	Engelen, Oudenampsen	NWO	€ 226.686	31/01/2017	30/10/2017	2
EU H2020 NewHoRRizon -	Loeber, Grin	EU-H2020	€6.800.000 (UvA Share: €64.500)		01/05/2017	2
Between collectivization and enclosure: examining the uneven provision of clean water, waste disposal and public space in rapidly growing cities	Uitermark, Justus	NWO VIDI	€ 902.938	30/05/2017		2
Mundus project	Paulle	Amsterdam Alumni Fonds	€30.000	01/09/2017		
IMS: Innovatieprogramma de Mobiele Stad	Bertolini, Beukers	Transumo; Gelderland, Brabant, Noord Holland, Zuid Holland, Utrecht IenM	€ 145.535		01/09/2017	3

Impactstudie Noord/Zuid	Bertolini, Rubin	Gemeente Amsterdam; De Vervoerregio Amsterdam; Vrije Universiteit; Centrum Wiskunde en Informatica; Technische Universiteit Delft; Amsterdam Metropolitan Solutions	€ 334.000		01/09/2017	3
NWO WOTRO SDG 'Leave fossil fuels underground for sustainable and inclusive development: Cocreating alternative pathways in Africa and Latin America'	Gupta	NWO	€ 198.914	11/10/2017	15/02/2018	2
Extractive industries, economic growth, the environment and human rights, (Joint SDG met CEDLA)	Gupta (AISSR co-applicant)	NWO-WOTRO Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)	€ 250.000	2018	01/03/2018	2
Circulair Potentieel: Koppelkansen Water en Energie in de Metropoolregio Amsterdam (MRA)	Hordijk/Grin	NWO SURF pop-up	€ 50.000	2018	01/09/2018	2
RE-HOUSING	Kaika (Researcher: Charalampos Tsavdaroglou)	EU MSCA-2017	€ 165.599	2018	01/09/2018	2

Cocreatie traject Koppelkansen Water en Energie (jan 2018 - december 2018/ WP2 "Vernieuwing in Watergovernance" 2018	Hordijk, Grin	Waterschap Amstel, Gooi en Vecht AGV	€46.063	01/01/2018		3
Enabling the transferability of cycling innovations and assessment of its implications - 'HANDSHAKE'	Glaser	H2020 MG-4.1-2017	€ 87.500	23/01/2018	01/09/2018	2
NRO NordForsk Mixed classes And Pedagogical Solutions (MAPS)	Paulle	NRO/NordForsk	€286.295		01/02/2018	2
The Governance of Green and Atmospheric Water in Degrading Environments	Gupta	IDA CVB	€ 250.000	02/03/2018		1
Westerdijk Talent Impuls Tuna Tasan Kok	Tasan-Kok	NWO	€ 50.000	08/03/2018	01/02/2018	2
NIAS Fellowship	De Witte	NIAS fellowship	€5.850	20/03/2018		2
TRNSFR project (Walton Family Foundation WFF)	Glaser	Walton Family Foundation	€ 133.058		01/04/2018	3
Building an Urban Commons	Enigbokdan	NWO Creatieve Industrie-KIEM	€15.000	22/05/2018		2
Reviving shrinking cities – innovative paths and perspectives towards livability for shrinking cities in Europe (RE-CITY)	Bontje	EU Marie Curie ITN	€ 265.620	05/06/2018	01/10/2018	2

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Analyse Effectiviteit Kinderfaculteit	Paulle	Stichting Verre Bergen	€102.280,23	08/06/2018		3
New Tokyo Story	Hemel		€ 32.000		23/06/2018	3
“The Civic and Political Participation of Immigrants and Their Descendants in Amsterdam”	Vermeulen	NWO Bezoekersbeurs	€8.500	01/07/2018		2
ADMIGOV: Advancing Alternative Migration Governance	Doomernik/Pallister-Wilkins/van Heelsum	EU H2020-SC6-MIGRATION-2018-2019-2020	€ UvA part: €657.047,50	01/07/2018		2
Creative Industries Cultural Economy Production Network - CICERONE	Kloosterman (UvA penvoerder)	EU H2020 TRANSFORMATIONS-06-2018 (topic “Inclusive and sustainable growth through cultural and creative industries and the arts”)	€ 2.999.446	15/07/2018	01/02/2019	2
Bouwen na de crisis. Een onderzoek naar herstel en vernieuwing van de architectuurbranche in Nederland na 2008 (Opdracht Architectenregister (Rijckenberg))	Kloosterman	Bureau Architectenregister (Rijckenberg; Rijksbouwmeester (Ministerie van BZ en Koninkrijksrelaties;	€50.512		01/08/2018	3

		Branchevereniging Nederlandse Architectenbureaus				
Mundus More Math	Paulle	Mundus College, Amsterdam	€24.200	23/08/2018		
CSC scholarship Yin Ting	Kloosterman, Mamadouh	China Scholarship Council	€57.600		01/10/2018	3
What is Governed in Cities [WHIG]: Residential Investment Landscapes and the Governance and Regulation of Housing Production ORA Tuna NWO ORA	Tasan Kok, Ozogul	NWO ORA	€308.540	01/01/2019		2
Leerstoel Urban Mobility Futures	Brömmelstroet	BAM Infra Nederland BV	€240.000	01/03/2019		3
Care in the city. Multiple articulations of health and healing among Ghanaians in London	Krause	NIAS fellowship	€ 10.920,00	27/03/2019		3
Global Production Networks and Worker Representation in Myanmar	Arnold	Australian Research Council	€8.000		01-04-2019	3

ARBM Wet op Architectuur 2019 (advies voor OCW)	Kloosterman, Koetsenruijter	Min Binnenlandse Zaken - Atelier Rijksbouwmeester (Guus Enning)	€8.186	07/05/2019		3
Indebted Lives: Debt as Biopolitics NIAS fellowship Maria Kaika	Kaika	KNAW NIAS fellowship	€22.800		01/09/2019	2
Contemporary Commoning: Investigating the role of art and design in creating spaces for public action	Kloosterman (Rietveld Akademie, Jeroen Boomgaard), Rasterhof, Rene Boer	NWO Creatieve Industrie: Smart Culture - Kunst en Cultuur	€160.000	01/09/2019		2
CLEAR 2019 (UvA subcontractor of TUM)	Bertolini	EU, through TUM Munchen (UvA as subcontractor)	€14.895		31-12-2019	3
Investing in inequality: how the rise of private housing investors shapes societal divides veni	Hochstenbach	NWO VENI	€250.000		01/01/2020	2

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Beyond 'participation': Inclusive urban development and the potential of street-level encounters veni	Verloo	NWO VENI	€250.000		01/01/2020	2
NEWAVE	Zwarteveen, Kaika	MSCA-ITN-ETN (VU penvoerder)	€531.239,76			2