DOCTORAL WORKSHOP

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Open research tables
> Future habitats development
> Urban-rural synergies
> Cultural capital and local identity
> New technologies and languages

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OPEN QUALITATIVE RESEARCH

Open should be the default, not the exception. Qualitative inquiries need an holistic approach in their specific contextual settings.

In a European context in which architectural knowledge is often associated with sub-disciplinary particularism, the dimension of research is geared of technicalism, leaving into the background those aspects capable of giving the Doctoral candidates the ability to reflect and imagine, to interact actively and meaningfully.

However, compared to many other disciplinary and professional fields, the evolution in qualitative research for architecture and design encompasses a relatively wider diversity of methodological approaches. Both the nature and role of architectural research, as conducted in the academy and practice, have gradually shifted over the last decades in some predominant areas, such as the responsive dimension of open spaces, the implementation of post-structuralism, the exploration of digital technologies and applications of sustainable design.

Similar fluctuations in the scope of other substantive topics, the significance of particular theoretical influences, innovations in design and planning processes, mean that architectural research will continue to cover a wide range of research in response to changing of the society.

To this end, OPEN RESEARCH tables are proposed as an opportunity to confront different Doctoral research lines by putting into practice an exercise on reflection between candidates of LUH, to build and to share the creation of inter-subjective, open and dynamic research opportunities.

Through the mapping activities of 4 parallel tables, the LUH PhD candidates can position their individual doctoral thesis into key areas of reference, by exploring potential synergies with colleagues and in parallel get an overview about further career development by research and publishing or funding opportunities.

OPEN RESEARCH tables covers the different aspect of the built environment— from the scale of architecture to territory and landscape—and is organized into:

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Each of these will be the subject of a specific correlation matrix designed with the support of a dedicated tutor in the development working session, by elaborating common and potentials reflections leading to alternative evolution of the thesis subject in relation to the different doctoral research involved.

Submission of application:
26th November 2017

Documents requested:
1 A4 paper with 3 research questions + list of main preliminary state-of-art reference (bullet points)

OPEN RESEARCH CYCLE

WS 1. Open Research _ WRITINGS
Publication / Career development (publishing strategy, rights and obligations)

WS 2. Open Research _ PROCESS
Research development (work plans, research networks)

WS 3. Open Research _ CALLS
EU/ funding project opportunities (how to select and to draft an application)