



WORKSHOP

Governing the large metropolis Paris – London compared

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Very Large Cities are a new phenomenon in urban history. One of the most relevant topics for metropolitan development is that of the form of government (governance) of these big cities, encompassing different issues such as urban planning, the creation of governmental bodies and institutions allowing the redistribution of powers, effective intergovernmental coordination, decentralization, the efficient supply of services as well as the fostering of economic development and of a better life quality for residents.

The starting point is to challenge the often-made assumption that large cities are so complex and big that they have become ungovernable or that globalisation pressures make political and policy choices irrelevant (Le Galès and Lorrain, 2004, Lorrain, 2011). By going beyond rational or positivist views of governance, it argues that the process of governing a city is never fully complete, nor linear. Urban societies, urban economies are more or less governed and that may change from one city to the next, from one period to the next. Processes of government and governance are always work in progress, but make crucial differences over time. Studying the limits and discontinuities of government and governance is essential to understandings of governance processes in large metropolises such as London and Paris (Le Galès, 2011). Modes of governance have long-term consequences for their inhabitants and governing failures may have severe negative effects (e.g. housing shortages, low levels of educational attainment, crime, low productivity, health).

This workshop aims at comparing and contrasting modes of governance in London (Metropolitan Area) and Paris (Région Île-de-France), their effects and transformation over time. We want to articulate research on governance mode in the two metropolises together with more precise research on the implementation of public policies and the hidden side of governance, i.e. what and who is not governed. This comparison allows to assess contemporary modes of governance in large, globalised metropolises and to develop wider understandings of the delivery of urban policies, development and infrastructure projects despite inequalities. It will explore broader questions over how contemporary forms of governance operate including democratic systems of accountability and decision-making functions. Large metropolises are characterized by a myriad of actors, powerful interest groups, diverse inhabitants, networks and assemblages of public sector institutions and global investors, developers, and others involved in the development industry, yet there is relatively little research that describes and documents their form and character, how processes of governance operate in relation to major urban development projects, the implementation of public policies and the implications of such practices for urban politics, inequalities, sustainable development and growth.

Gouverner Paris

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MORNING: Sciences Po, Room 931, 9 rue de la Chaise, 75007 Paris

Chair: **Patrick Le Galès** (Sciences Po, CEE, CNRS)

- 9 am: *Welcome coffee*
- 9.30 am: **General introduction**
Patrick Le Galès (Sciences Po, CEE, CNRS)
- 10 am: **Le vote intermittent: comment les ségrégations urbaines influencent-elles les comportements électoraux en Île-de-France**
Antoine Jardin (Sciences Po, CEE)
- 10.45-11 am: *Coffee break*
- 11 am: **La réforme du Grand Paris**
Patrick Le Lidec (Sciences Po, CEE, CNRS)
- 11.45 am: **Que gouverne la planification régionale? Le cas du SDRIF**
Philippe Estèbe (Ihedate & Acadie)
- 12.30 pm: **General discussion**
- 1-2 pm: *Lunch break (Room Goguel, 56 rue des Saints-Pères, 75007 Paris)*

AFTERNOON: Sciences Po, Room Goguel, 56 rue des Saints-Pères, 75007 Paris

Chair: **Pauline Prat** (Sciences Po, CEE)

- 2 pm: **Les Roms en Île-de-France**
Tommaso Vitale (Sciences Po, CEE)
- 2.45 pm: **La sécurité parisienne à l'heure métropolitaine**
Pauline Prat (Sciences Po, CEE) et **Mathieu Zagrodzki** (Chargé d'enseignement à Sciences Po)
- 3.30 pm: **Le développement économique en région Île-de-France**
Frédéric Gilli (Campana Eleb Sablic)
- 4.15-4.30 pm: *Coffee break*
- 4.30 pm: **L'eau à Paris: les simulacres du politique**
Dominique Lorrain (École des Ponts, LATTs, CNRS)
- 5:15 pm: **Consommation et production de déchets à Paris et Londres: principaux déterminants**
Bruno Maresca (CREDOC)
- 6 pm: **Conclusion**
- 18:30 pm: *End of the workshop*

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Governing London

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Sciences Po, Goguel Room, 56 rue des Saints-Pères, 75007 Paris

Chair: **Charlotte Halpern** (Sciences Po, CEE)

- 10.30 am: *Welcome coffee*
- 11 am: Introduction. **Governing large metropolis: a comparative research agenda**
Patrick Le Galès (Sciences Po, CEE & CNRS), **Tommaso Vitale** (Sciences Po, CEE)
- 11.45 am: **Privatisation, managerialism, and the emergence of a London planning model**
Mike Raco (Bartlett School of Planning, UCL)
- 12.30 pm: *Lunch break*
- 1.30 pm: **Social mixing and the Middle classes**
Tim Butler (King's College, London)
- 2.15 pm: **The politics of mega infrastructure in the UK**
John Tomaney (Bartlett School of Planning, UCL)
- 3 pm: **Crossrail - why London's RER is arriving forty years after Paris's**
Michael Hebbert (Bartlett School of Planning, UCL)
- 3.45 pm: *Coffee break*
4. pm: **Planning urban sustainability: higher density developments**
Nancy Holmann (London School of Economics)
- 4.45 pm: **The UK Localism Act 2011 and the first developments of Neighbourhood planning in London: bridging or dividing neighbourhoods and social groups?**
Claire Colomb (Bartlett School of Planning, UCL)
- 5.30 pm: **Changing communities in outer London**
Alan Mace (London School of Economics)
- 6.15 pm: **Discussion Book / research project**
- 7 pm: *End of workshop*

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