



IGU Commission on

Marginalization, Globalization, and Regional and Local Responses

The Way Forward: Local Social Movements in Marginal Areas

BARCELONA 28th July-2nd August 2008

PROGRAM

Monday 28th July 2008:

**Venue: Sala Gran (4th Floor), Facultat de Geografia i Història,
c/ Montalegre, 6. 08001-Barcelona**

 Catalunya  Liceu  Universitat

Registration: 9.30-10.00

Conference Opening: 10.00-10.30

Prof. M^a Ángeles del Rincón, Dean of the Faculty of Geography and History
Prof. Walter Leimgruber, Secretary of the IGU Commission on Marginalization,
Globalization, Marginalization and Regional and Local Responses
Prof. Dolores Sánchez-Aguilera, Coordinator of the Organization Committee

PLENARY ADDRESS: 10.30-11.00

Prof. Lennart Anderson, Karlstad University:
Methodological aspects on analyses of marginality: the case of Karlstad University.

Coffee Break 11.00-11.30

SESSION 1a: 11.30-12.45

TOPIC: Urban and Regional Change I

Chair: Prof. Márcio Moraes Valença

- 1) Jorgen Amdam, Volda University College:
Region building and economic change in Western Norway
- 2) Mikel Dierssen, University of Barcelona:
The spatial and social marginalization of Nordhausen in the Autonomous Region of Thuringen in eastern Germany.
- 3) Jordi Nofre, University of Barcelona:
“Cholos” and “Cholas”. Suburban Youth and Marginal Way of Life in Barcelona.



Lunch Break 13.15-14.30

SESSION 1b: 14.30-15.45

TOPIC: Urban and Regional Change II

Chair: Prof. Alison McCleery

- 4) Hugo Capellà, Universidad de Concepción - Chile:
Chilean Pacific Islands: from merge to gate.
- 5) Sergio Moreno Redón; Sergio Martínez i Rigol; Observatori del Comerç Urbà, University of Barcelona:
Economic and social changes through the retail equipment. The case of el Raval in Barcelona.
- 6) Jordi Tresserras Juan, University of Barcelona:
Dark tourism or reality tourism in "marginal" urban areas: the cases of Barcelona, Buenos Aires and Rio de Janeiro.

SESSION 2a: 15.45 – 17.45

TOPIC: Rural Areas, Marginalization and Social Movements I

Chair: Prof. Walter Leimgruber

- 1) Maria Eugenia Cepparo, Universidad Nacional de Cuyo-Conicet:
Advances and backward movements of the marginality in the context of rural areas. Malargüe.Mendoza(Argentina).
- 2) Toivo Muilu, University of Oulu:
Village associations as actors in rural policy in Northern Finland.
- 3) Ana Matos Fernandes, University of Barcelona:
From the countryside crisis to the countryside ideal – an urban reinvention.
- 4) Abdullah Jamalunlaili, Mara University of Technology:
River Communities along Pahang National Park, Malaysia.
- 5) Dolores Sánchez-Aguilera; Jaume Font-Garolera University of Barcelona:
From economic units to rural patrimony: the conservation of the “mas” in Catalonia.
- 6) Tomáš Havlíček, Charles University:
Regional identity as example of human and social capital in the rural peripheral regions of Czechia.

Coffee Break 17.45-18.15

COMMISSION BUSINESS MEETING: 18.15-19.15



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TUESDAY 29TH JULY

Field Trip "Local responses to marginality: examples in Southern Catalonia".

Meeting Point: Plaça Universitat, in front of the Building of the University of Barcelona (see attached plan).

Departure: 8.30 / Return Time: 19:30

WEDNESDAY 30TH JULY

SESSION 3: 8.30 – 10.30

TOPIC: Infrastructure, Mobility and Transport in Marginal Areas

Chair: Prof. Jaume Font-Garolera

- 1) Jarmo Rusanen and Ossi Kotavaara, University of Oulu:
Plans for closing a railway and opening a mine – two opposed movements in Northern Finland.
- 2) Steven Kale, SR Kale Consulting:
Regional and local social movements toward Renewable Energy Development and Energy Self-Sufficiency in Marginal Areas of the U.S. Pacific Northwest.
- 3) Fátima Vélez de Castro, Universidade de Coimbra:
Mobility in marginal areas: a regional study of the Portuguese Border.
- 4) Josep Coma Guitart, University of Barcelona:
Social movements and new infrastructure in the marginal areas of Catalonia (Spain). Approaches to territorial disputes related to new infrastructure.

Coffee Break 10.30-11.00

SESSION 4: 11.00-13.15

TOPIC: Housing and Communities:

Chair: Prof. Francesc López-Palomeque

- 1) Márcio Moraes Valença, Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte:
Housing provision systems and neoliberalism.
- 2) Mariana Fialho Bonates, Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte:
Spatial segregation and social housing: the case of the rental housing program in João Pessoa - Brazil.
- 3) Ernandy Luis Vasconcelos de Lima, University of Barcelona:
Informality and precarious housing: an irregular local urban occupation in Brazil.
- 4) Márcio Moraes Valença; Mariana Fialho Bonates, Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte:
Military Housing – Housing The Military in Brazil
- 5) João Paulo Diniz Abud, University of Barcelona:
Irregular occupation processes in the Northern Coast of São Paulo, Brazil: The “Morro dos Mineiros” case.



Lunch Break 13.15-14.30

SESSION 5a: 15.00-16.15

TOPIC: Regional Development, Universities, Local political and Grassroots Movements I

Chair: Prof. Lennart Andersson

- 1) Samuele Patelli, University of Fribourg:
Local political movements: a way forward or a way backward ? A Swiss regional example.
- 2) Walter Leimgruber, University of Fribourg:
Freedom and democracy – preconditions for regional development.
- 3) Román Rodríguez and José Antonio Aldrey Vázquez, University of Santiago de Compostela:
The planning as a basis for territorial development.

Coffee Break 16.15-16.45

SESSION 3b: 16.45-18.15

TOPIC: Regional Development, Universities, Local political and Grassroots Movements II

Chair: Prof. Mohd Salleh Daim

- 4) Alison McCleery, Napier University:
Intangible Cultural Heritage as Social Glue: a role for ICH in combating marginality, celebrating diversity and promoting citizen engagement?
- 5) Francesc López-Palomeque; Francesc García Pascual, University of Barcelona-University of Lleida:
Policies, instruments and actors in local development: new strategies for territorial development of tourism in inland Catalonia.
- 6) M^a del Pilar Leal Londoño, University of Barcelona:
The social movement in the “Doña Juana” landfill during the “Social Action Plan (2006)” of the Mayor of Bogota-Colombia.
- 7) Paola Andrea Quintero Puentes, University of Barcelona:
Tourism in a marginal territory: The improvement of housing family in the Wayuu indigenous community with tourist purposes (La Guajira, Colombia).

CLOSING SESSION: 18.30

