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Press Release

Integrated Urbanism

A lecture by Malcolm Smith, ARUP, London on 11 June 2015 at 6:30 pm at the Oskar von Miller Forum

New human environments must incorporate ever increasing complex and often contradictory parameters. The ability to prioritize these parameters for particular situations, meaningfully integrate them, and still achieve engaging places requires a different way of thinking about urbanism. In this context, Malcolm Smith founded the Integrated Urbanism Unit within Arup in 2008, which is a dedicated urbanism group bringing together the multiple disciplines within the global Arup group and external parties.

Malcolm Smith will discuss this approach to urbanism, and demonstrate how it has been used in projects ranging from the Stratford City metropolitan centre in London to most recent work including the post riot strategies for Tottenham, along with the Abu Dhabi city plan, Preston Beach New Town, Australia and Zuidas district Amsterdam.

About Malcolm Smith

Malcolm Smith is an architect and the founding design director of Arup Urban Design, London. He joined Arup after completing his Master's degree in Architecture at Yale University, and working in Australia. Malcolm Smith leads the design strategy on a wide range of urban design projects both in the United Kingdom and internationally.

He has served on Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment (CABE), has been a visiting professor at Yale University in the USA, visiting lecturer at MIT (USA), is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts, London and a special adviser to UN Habitat, New York.

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