

The international workshop **“Urban and Regional disparities in the Baltic States: sociospatial differentiation and polarised development in turbulent times”** will be organized in Lithuanian Centre for Social sciences, Institute of Sociology A. Goštauto str. 9. Vilnius. The workshop is organised by the Department of Regional and urban studies and the Faculty of Geography and Earth sciences, University of Latvia. The workshop will take place on the 8th – 9th of December 2021. The comparative analysis of the most recent trends of spatial development of urban spaces and their peripheries in Lithuania and Latvia is the main topic of the event.

Lietuvos socialinių mokslų centro Sociologijos institute 2021 gruodžio mėn. 8 – 9 dienomis vyks tarptautinis seminaras “Urban and Regional disparities in the Baltic States: sociospatial differentiation and polarised development in turbulent times”, skirtas Baltijos šalių erdvinio vystymosi poliarizacijos ir segregacijos problemoms miestuose ir jų periferijose aptarti. Seminarą organizuoja LSMC SI Regionų ir miestų tyrimo skyrius bendradarbiaudamas su Latvijos Universiteto Geografijos ir žemės mokslų fakulteto mokslininkais.



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December 8-9, 2021

Vilnius, A. Goštauto 9

Department of Regional and Urban Studies, Institute of Sociology,

Lithuanian Centre for Social Sciences

Programme of the workshop

<i>Day 1 (8th of December 2021) (Room 303)</i>	
09:00 – 10:00	Registration
10:00 – 11.00	Opening session: <i>Segregation of urban space – inner cities and suburbs</i>
	<p><i>Residential segregation in urban Latvia: intersections of ethnicity and age</i> Speaker: Māris Bērziņš</p> <p><i>Suburban sprawl of Vilnius: rural – urban transformations in growing Vilnius region</i> Speaker: Donatas Burneika</p> <p><i>Urban change and the role of the capital city. A comparative study of 3 Baltic States</i> Speaker: Rūta Ubarevičienė</p>

11:00 – 11:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:15 – 12:15	<i>Morning session: Urban space and ethnic groups in Baltic capitals</i>
	<i>Residential preferences of gentrifiers in Riga: exploring age, ethnicity and social composition</i> Speaker: Margarita Feizaka
	<i>Geography of emerging ethnic groups in the neighbourhoods of Riga</i> Speaker: Zaiga Krišjāne
12:15 – 13:30	<i>Lunch break</i>
13:30 – 16:00	<i>Field study walking tour: New and old spaces in Vilnius city core: gentrification and transformation of brownfields</i>
18:00	<i>Dinner</i>
Day 2 (9th of December 2021)	
09:30 – 10:30	<i>Morning session. Part 1: Centres and peripheries outside capital regions</i>
	<i>To be the centre in the periphery. The story about Šiauliai city.</i> Speaker: Gintarė Pociūtė - Sereikienė
	<i>Territorial peculiarities of Lithuanian rural development and the problem of identifying regions not affected by urbanization and metropolitanization</i> Speaker: Edis Kriaučiūnas
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:00 – 12:15	<i>Morning session. Part 2: Mobility and migration in polarised country</i>
	<i>International student mobility: is Latvia a destination?</i> Speaker: Elīna Apsīte-Beriņa
	<i>Internal migration of ethnic groups in Latvia: the importance of age and geography</i> Speaker: Jānis Krūmiņš
12:15 – 13:30	<i>Lunch break</i>
13:30 – 16:30	<i>Round table discussion: Spatially segregated societies of Baltic states: recent trends and research possibilities</i>

Participation fee: 50 Euro per participant

Due to Covid – 19 pandemic, the number of participants is limited. All participants have to have EU Covid certificates or similar documents.

Those interested in visiting the event should contact Viktorija Barauskiene: barauskiene.viktorija@gmail.com by the 6th of December 2021.



The international workshop is organised to discuss the results of the Fundamental and Applied Research Project “Geographies of ethnic residential segregation: a comparative study of the largest cities in Latvia” (No. Izp-2020/2-0280) and State Research Programme Project “Towards sustainable development and inclusive society in Latvia: response to demographic and migration challenges” (No. VPP-IZM-2018/1-0015)