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### INTERDISCIPLINARY APPROACH IN URBAN MANAGEMENT

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Cities are complex and changing environments, resulting from the relationship between space and socio-economic processes.

Public space is the place where social tensions arise: it is necessary to develop models to define policies and to use the space enforcing the promotion of social cohesion in public space.

Meanwhile roads and public squares are common and strategic goods belonging to citizens: could be considered as a sort of civic pride and could help citizens feel better and deeper connected to their cultural and political institutions.

The session aims to investigate the state-of-art in the scientific debate on urban management to identify, analyze and evaluate sustainable interventions ranging from public space design to urban regeneration initiatives but also to acupuncture actions.

Attention must be paid to the objectives set out in the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda. Seventeen goals underlying the decisions of the next 15 years and aiming to adopt strategies to build healthy, functional and inclusive cities. Linking a Public Health Agenda to a Public Space Agenda. Strategies to improve the quality of living in the widest sense of the term: from territorial to urban to a residential scale. Given the complexity of the current decision contexts, it would be advisable to use urban actions which involve an interdisciplinary approach, while usually even complementary disciplines are applied separately, producing a lack in urban management and governance.

The consequence of this low level of collaboration is deeply clear in contemporary urban practice: the contemporary city is often incoherent and conflictual and it is seriously difficult to identify the appropriate indicators for assessing urban quality.

In this session we will emphasize that urban management has to be considered as an essential element for urban regeneration, involving, urbanism, urban design and conservation of cultural and landscape heritage. Therefore, the session will be focused on the following topics:

1. Governance and urban management
2. Cultural and landscape heritage management and valorization of architectural quality
3. Participative and shared experiences in the definition of urban strategies and of evaluation methodologies.
4. Urban phenomena of marginalization and social resistance and urban practices for the appropriation of collective space.
5. Methodologies for identifying priorities in urban space and assessing urban feasibility.
6. Management and reuse of empty spaces and small areas in the cities.

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