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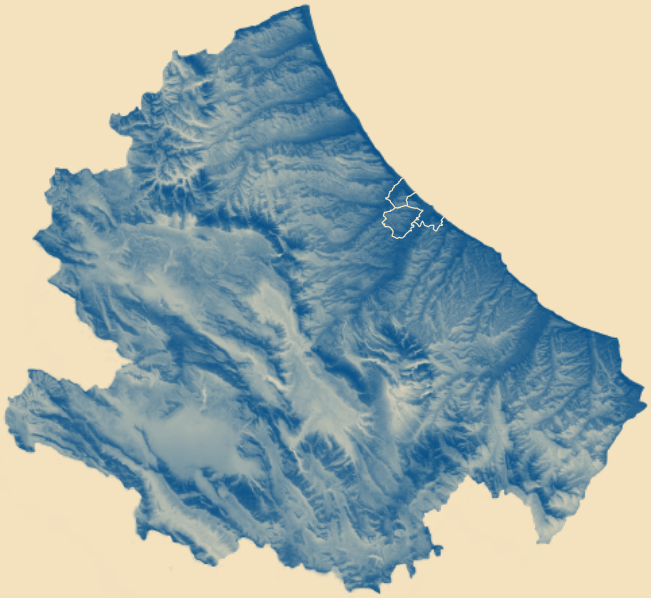

HYBRID CONFERENCE

20/21 JUNE *2023*

NUOVA PESCARA AS A SUSTAINABLE MID-ADRIATIC HYPERCITY?

UNIVERSITY "G. D'ANNUNZIO"
CHIETI - PESCARA

ROOM *31*
9.30 AM ⟶ *07.30* PM

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The goal of the conference is how (and whether) to rethink Pescara within a Middle Adriatic "hypercity."
In the literature, a hypercity is connoted by the following four characteristics.

1. **Porosity across administrative** (within states) or even state "boundaries" for the purpose of benefiting from more effective at lower economic and organizational cost;
2. **A "cosmopolitan demography,"** with high density and variety of identity and lifestyles and consequently a shifting boundary between "normal" and "deviant" behavior, leaving the criminal law alone to draw the boundary between legality and illegality;
3. **Socioeconomic development** as a strategic goal, the idea of degrowth not being "sustainable."
4. **The hypercity is a "smart city,"** even if the reciprocal is not true. Interconnectivity and high digitization must, in fact, be placed at the service of the above three characteristics.

It is evident how each of these characteristics raises a number of difficult issues for any discipline that grapples with the question of the relationship between cities and institutions. Just to mention a few in bulk: from the relationship between demos and public powers to the effectiveness of public tasks and services and from spatial planning to the satisfaction of social rights (1); the discipline and tools (not only legal) to enable peaceful coexistence in a multiethnic and multicultural context (2); the different interpretations of the concept of "sustainability," in the face of the need to protect ecosystems and the climate challenge (3); and the use and abuse of technology (4).

The idea of the conference is to make the general and the particular interact with a multi and trans-disciplinary and trans-scalar approach. Without claiming to address all the issues mentioned above, but with the intention of initiating discussion and opening new avenues of research, some questions arise.

Are there "hypercities," that is, urban agglomerations with the above four characteristics? And where they exist, what is the situation, for example, in terms of equality/inequality, quality of life, social welfare, environmental conditions?
Or should the hypercity be understood as a model, a "policy-design" tool for pursuing goals of the kind just enunciated? Or perhaps other goals, e.g., widespread deregulation to foster economic development?
Moving down in scale, are there conditions in the so-called Adriatic macro-region that would suggest a move toward hypercities? Or should something be done to move in this direction, assuming it as desirable?
Finally, does it make sense to evaluate the process of establishing a new municipality-even as an outpost for further integration among the municipalities of the Chieti-Pescara metropolitan area-in the context of the challenge posed by the size and complexity of a hypercity? Is there a vision of a hypercity related to the formation of "Greater Pescara"?

The answers that the promoters of this initiative - themselves from disparate research backgrounds - could give to these questions are diverse. The register of these answers, however, could vary between these two poles: processes of aggregation at the level of local government are necessary precisely to attempt to govern/front the processes of deinstitutionalization brought about by the hypercity; such processes of aggregation are themselves an epiphenomenon of the inexorable march toward the hypercity.

So many other questions (and answers) are of course possible. But that's what we are here for, right?

Scientific Steering committee: Adele Bianco, Stefano Civitarese Matteucci, Lorenzo Pignatti, Andrea Pitasi

9:30 **Institutional greetings and opening of the proceedings**

Liborio Stuppia, Rector UdA
Massimo Seri, Mayor of Fano, President of the Forum of Adriatic and Ionian Cities - FAIC
- Mario Kordić, Mayor of Mostar

Gennaro Strever, President of Chamber of Commerce, Chieti-Pescara
Andrè Parmo Folloni, Dean of the School of Law, PUCPR, Curitiba

9:40/13:00 **FIRST SESSION**
The "hypercity" model

chair Lorenzo Pignatti, UdA

Reports:

Andrea Pitasi, UdA
Giacomo Cavuta, UdA
- Sinan Mihelcić, University of Ljubljana
- Melissa Sessa & Romina Gurashi, University Roma Sapienza
- Saša Bozić, University of Zadar
- Luis Alexandre Carta Winter & Juliana Ferreira Montenegro, PUCPR, Curitiba

13:00/14:00 **Lunch Break**

14:30/18:30 **SECOND SESSION**
Culture, innovation and governance of the Adriatic macro-region

chair Federico Bilò, UdA

Reports:

Pierluigi Sacco, UdA
Emilio Cocco, University of Teramo
Luigi Albore Mascia, Vice-President of the Forum of Adriatic and Ionian Cities - FAIC
Rosario Pavia, Urban Planner
Lorenzo Pignatti, UdA
Stefano Trinchese, UdA
- Emina Zejnilovic, International Burch University, Sarajevo

Q&A and Brief Scheduled Interventions

Filippo Angelucci, UdA
Milena Fiadino, UdA
Luciana Mastrolonardo, Uda & Alessandro Tursi, FIAB

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9:30/13:00 **THIRD SESSION**
Nuova Pescara in a comparative perspective and regional management

chair
Adele Bianco, UdA

Reports:

Massimo Angrilli, UdA
- Marzia De Donno, University of Ferrara

Paolo Desideri, University of Roma 3
Romano Orrù, University of Teramo
Nicola Martinelli, Urbanit

Q&A and Brief Scheduled Interventions

Fabio Masci, UdA
Clara Verazzo, UdA
Stefania Gruosso & Andrea Di Cinzio, UdA

13:00/14:00 **Lunch Break**

14:30/18:00 **FOURTH SESSION AND ROUND TABLE**
Nuova Pescara - visions compared. Administrators, Stakeholders and Policymakers

chair Stefano Civitarese Matteucci, UdA

intervening
Carlo Masci, Mayor of Pescara
Ottavio De Martinis, Mayor of Montesilvano
Chiara Trulli, Mayor of Spoltore
Luciano D'Alfonso, Member of Parliament

Round Table

Marco Camplone, Association "Nuova Pescara"
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Carlo Costantini, City Councilor
Stefania Chiarito, Vice-Presidente Order of Architects Pescara
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18:30/19:00 **Closing Remarks**
of the scientific steering committee

Adele Bianco, Stefano Civitarese Matteucci, Lorenzo Pignatti, Andrea Pitasi

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