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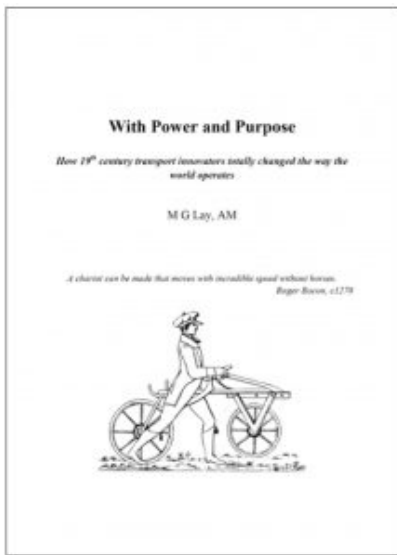
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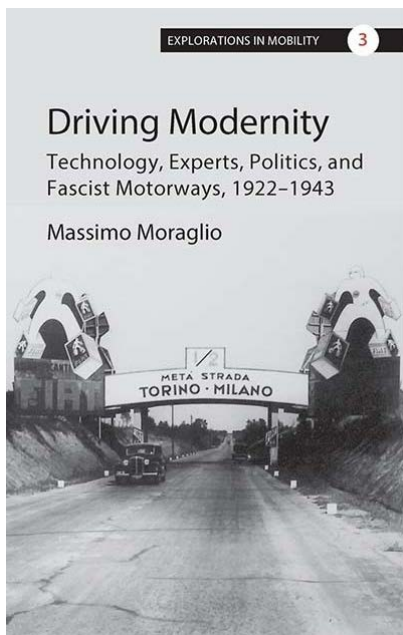
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Latest News



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View from the Street

Moving about in Mexico City: Past and Present Reflections

Mike Bess, Assistant Professor at the Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas

As one descends by plane into the valley of Anáhuac three details catch the eye: mountains, smog, and concrete. Mexico City sprawls across the land like an asphalt behemoth; two of the sixteen boroughs (locally called *delegaciones*) that comprise the city count populations greater than one million, another four easily surpass 500,000. Block after block of metal and brick buildings pass underneath as the plane makes its approach. (...) **It's a noisy, fast-paced city...**[READ MORE](#)



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The Journal of Transport History

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About the Journal

The Journal of Transport History aims to circulate and promote the best and the widest possible range of peer reviewed analysis and commentary on all facets of transport pasts. It also aims to benchmark and stimulate the craft of researching, curating and writing transport history in all its diversity. The Journal aims to deepen understanding of agency and consequences in transport history. It is concerned to document and explain moments, phases, trends and pivots in transport history. It seeks to challenge received wisdom, to provoke debate, and to open new frontiers of inquiry. The Journal publishes original research papers on all aspects of transport history, without restriction to place or period. Histories of transport infrastructure provision and use, and histories of particular transport types and services, are prominent, but these are tackled from many different points of view and research methodologies. Papers about past mobilities and travel, and planning and policy, are welcome. In addition to research papers, the Journal publishes reviews of academic books in the field of transport history, shorter surveys and speculations, and reviews of transport museums and exhibitions.

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Mobilities

Vol. 11, n. 3, 2016

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Learning Mobility Challenging Borders: Cross-border Experiences of eastern European Immigrants in Spain
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Polish Graduates and British Citizenship: Amplification of the Potential Mobility Dynamics beyond Europe
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About the Journal

Mobilities examines the large-scale movements of people, objects, capital, and information across the world, as well as more local processes of daily transportation, movement through public and private space and the travel of material objects in everyday life. New transportation and digital infrastructures and novel social and cultural practices pose important challenges for coordinating and governing mobilities and for mobility rights and questions of 'access'. These 'mobility' issues have generated new research methods

and theories. *Mobilities* publishes original, theoretically-informed research which is international in scope. The journal addresses major topical issues and fosters scholarly debate around the 'mobility' turn.

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Georgine Clarsen and Gijs Mom

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About the Journal

Transfers: Interdisciplinary Journal of Mobility Studies is a peer-reviewed journal publishing cutting-edge research on the processes, structures and consequences of the movement of people, resources, and commodities. Intellectually rigorous, broadly ranging, and conceptually innovative, the journal combines the empiricism of traditional mobility history with more recent methodological approaches from the social sciences and the humanities. The journal's scholarly essays, book and exhibit reviews, artwork and photography, as well as special features provide a rich variety of perspectives that include: analyses of the past and present experiences of vehicle drivers, passengers, pedestrians, migrants, and refugees; accounts of the arrival and transformation of mobility in different nations and locales; and investigations of the kinetic processes of global capital, technology, chemical and biological substances, images, narratives, sounds, and ideas. Convened around a broad conception of mobility, *Transfers* provides an interdisciplinary platform to explore the ways in which experiences of mobility have been enabled, shaped and mediated across time and through technological advances.

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Applied Mobilities

Vol. 1, n.1, 2016

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Malene Freudendal-Pedersen, Kevin Hannam & Sven Kesselring

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About the Journal

Applied Mobilities publishes theoretically informed, applied research and practice-orientated perspectives in mobilities. It focuses on the planning, design, technologies and social and cultural applications of mobilities. Through an emphasis on social theory and planning practice it also seeks to develop a greater understanding of the transition of mobility systems towards sustainable practices and the consequences of diverse mobilities on societies. It publishes original research articles, practice based commentaries and reviews. All submissions will be subject to double-blind peer review by up to three referees.

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Events & Announcements

Association of Geographers Annual Meeting 2017

BOSTON (MASSACHUSETTS, USA) | APRIL 5-10, 2017

General info: http://www.aag.org/cs/annualmeeting/about_the_meeting

Sessions related to Mobilities:

Moving Methods

Session organisers:

Monika Büscher, Lancaster University, Malene Freudendal-Pedersen, Roskilde University and HafenCity University, Hamburg, Sven Kesselring, Nuertingen-Geislingen University

This session invites contributions on mobile, inventive, live or otherwise engaged and applied qualitative and quantitative research and research co-creation methods within the mobilities paradigm. Please send abstracts of 250 words or queries to Monika Büscher (m.buscher@lancaster.ac.uk), Malene Freudendal-Pedersen (malenef@ruc.dk), Sven Kesselring (sven.kesselring@hfwu.de), by **19 October**.

Applied Mobilities in the age of uncertainty, risk and sustainability

Session organisers:

Malene Freudendal-Pedersen, Roskilde University and HafenCity University, Hamburg; Kevin Hannam, Napier University Edinburgh; Sven Kesselring, Nuertingen-Geislingen University

This session invites theoretically informed, applied research and practice-orientated perspectives in mobilities. It focuses on the planning, design, the technologies and social and cultural applications of mobilities. Through an emphasis on social theory and planning practice this session seeks to develop a greater understanding of the transition of mobility systems towards sustainable practices and the consequences of diverse mobilities on societies. The organizers invite papers that focus on theory driven applied research on the uncertainties, risks and questions of sustainability i.e. mobility governance, climate change, urban futures and risk management. Please send abstracts of 250 words or queries to Malene Freudendal-Pedersen (malenef@ruc.dk), Kevin Hannam (k.hannam@napier.ac.uk) Sven Kesselring (sven.kesselring@hfwu.de), by 19 October.

Standby: infrastructures between mobility and stillness

Session organisers:

Laura Kemmer, Center for Metropolitan Studies, Berlin and University of Hamburg, Germany

Annika Kühn, University of Hamburg, Germany

Discussants: Tim Edensor, Manchester Metropolitan University and David Bissell, Australian National University

Standby Infrastructures stand in sharp contrast to infrastructures in-use. While the latter are supposed to produce value and to set into motion, infrastructural waiting is often considered to be merely a temporary state. Although standby appears to be a common mode of infrastructures – be it during seasonal pauses, for economic reasons or in the context of planning strategies – it is rarely examined systematically. Academic engagements with stilled infrastructures are mostly interested in the political and social consequences of their breakdown. Therefore, it remains

an open question what we would find if we considered the time between stoppage and resumption not as empty, meaningless, or intentional part of the international flow of capital, but as infrastructural mode per se. With this panel, we are pushing forward an engagement with the specific spatio-temporal qualities of standby. Please send abstracts of no more than 250 words to laura.kemmer@fu-berlin.de and annika.kuehn@wiso.uni-hamburg.de. The deadline for submission is **October 19, 2016**.

1st International Conference on Mobile Identities

Sub-Saharan migration towards Western Europe: Multiple Souths? Multiple Norths?

AIT MELLOUL (MAROC) | MARCH 10-11, 2017

Quite a pack of Sub-Saharan in-land migration literatures produced within Western Europe and without seems to register two main absences: an absence of serious efforts to formally investigate the distinct origins, cultures, ethnicities, languages, and nationalities of the immigrants, on the one hand, and an effacement of the distinct transit routes they 'trouble' towards Western Europe, on the other.

Several unknown trodden geographical and unfamiliar cultural territories that the Sub-Saharan migrants towards Western Europe are crossing or re-crossing, or avoiding, or (il)legally deciding to temporarily or permanently stay in rest unnamed. This outmoded matrix, that several discourses on sub-Saharan migration seem to attend to, is closed against the appropriate and sensible designation of the several 'Souths' from which the various groups of immigrants originate and the multiple 'Norths' that they cross on their routes to Western Europe. The generic analytical mechanisms that serve the Sub-Saharan issues of migration seem to sketch this complex movement as if it were a single flight from a one same point of departure (the troublesome 'Africa') cruising across untroubled heights landing in one same destination (the troubled 'Europe'). Since this is not the case, the issue needs to unpack into careful newer modes of scrutiny that may be contributed to by voices from within the bipolar (both south and north) transit geographical locations. Researching the myriads of in-land traces of the cultural groups and individuals who unplug national, or tribal, or family umbilical cords and throw them behind signifiers far more complicated than just an essentialized 'African Economicus' shall assist in the desired mapping out and close reading of the patterns born from the unnatural and upsetting multiple crossed and re-crossed borders by numerous languages, nationalities, cultures, religions, ethnicities, genders, etc.

To this end in view, we invite abstracts from any discipline that address these concerns from a variety of perspectives and disciplinary angles. Submissions in literature, sociology, cultural and media studies illustrative of these emergent discourses are especially welcomed. We are particularly interested in research on the new directions in scholarship engendered by current patterns of global migration.

Call for Papers: The deadline for abstract submission is **December 15, 2016** Contact: cuam.conference@gmail.com.

Critical Approaches to Irregular Migration Facilitation

Grounding the Theory and Praxis of Human Smuggling

EL PASO (TEXAS, USA) | APRIL 6-8, 2017

A gathering of innovative and critical voices in smuggling from academic and policy circles, the workshop seeks to consolidate the creation of an interdisciplinary and global collective of professionals engaged in the empirical study of migration facilitation that integrates perspectives from the global north and south. With this goal in mind, we invite abstracts on the theme of irregular migration/human mobility facilitation for an international workshop. Please submit a 250-300 word abstract to smugglingworkshop@gmail.com by **November 15th, 2016**. Participants will be notified of their acceptance by December 1st, 2016. Organizers will provide verification letters for participants requiring visas. Workshop papers are due by March 15th, 2016. Questions can be addressed to the organizers, Luigi Achilli at the European University Institute (Luigi.Achilli@eui.edu), Antje Missbach at Monash University (antje.missbach@monash.edu) and Gabriella Sanchez at the University of Texas at El Paso (gesanchez4@utep.edu).

More: <https://networks.h-net.org/node/23910/discussions/147556/cfp-critical-approaches-irregular-migration->

INVTUR 2017 Conference

Cocreate the Future of Tourism

AVEIRO (PORTUGAL) | MAY 17-19, 2017

Special Session: Transports and Tourism (in Portuguese)

Organizers: Cláudia Ribeiro de Almeida (UAIG) and Vânia Costa (IPCA)

Submissions of extended abstracts (6,000 characters), full papers and posters by **October, 31, 2016** to Cláudia Ribeiro de Almeida (calmeida@ualg.pt). Further information on submission guidelines, fees, program, venue, accomodation and to to get to Aveiro, as well as registration form: <http://www.ua.pt/invtur/>.

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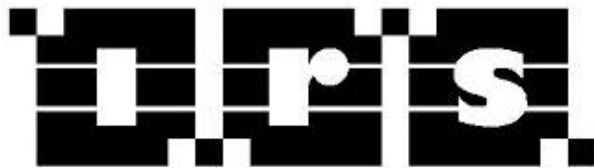
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