

## **“Ekonomichna ta Sotsialna Geografiya”, Vol. 84 – Call for papers**

### **Themed issue: Participatory urban planning**

#### **Aims and scope of the themed section**

In the context of the neoliberal approach to urban development, participatory urban planning is a successful means of interaction between actors of city development. The Central and East European post-socialist countries are not exclusion. The expansion of initiators of urban projects, the introduction of new approaches and tools, including those aimed at involving more stakeholders in the urban planning process, but also numerous conflicts due to disagreement with ineffective, inexpedient and injustice city-planning decisions are distinct signs of the shifting paradigm in urban planning. The practice of implementing a new urban paradigm in different local and national contexts raises a number of questions for theory and practice. Do traditional urban planning tools remain effective in the new conditions, and should new tools be relied upon in urban planning decisions? How to strike a balance between effective and participatory urban planning? Who should initiate urban development projects, and who should have the ‘decisive word’: private business, the public, activists? Is it possible (and how) to ensure consensus between the various participants in the urban planning process, and who in fact will benefit from the transition to the new paradigm? The answers will shed light on the nature of local and national trajectories of urban planning paradigms

#### **Papers are invited that are related to the following topics:**

- Concepts, tools and practices of urban planning
- Participatory tools of urban planning
- Neoliberal urban development
- Conflicts of urban development
- Urban activism
- Effectiveness of urban planning
- Dialogue between urban planning actors
- Alliances for the implementation of urban projects
- National and local policy in the field of urban planning

Special issue address interdisciplinary topic and we invite applications from different specialists with background in the field of urban and spatial planning, geography, sociology, economics, political science, anthropology, etc.

#### **Submission instructions**

The editors invite authors to submit a full paper (6,000-10,000 words) until **November 25, 2020**. All submissions will undergo normal double peer-review.

Accepted papers will be published in “Ekonomichna ta Sotsialna Geografiya”, Vol. 84 in winter 2020.

#### **Important dates:**

**Full paper submission due:** November 25, 2020

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