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FUTURE DAYS BRINGS TOGETHER ACADEMIC AND SOCIOECONOMIC EXPERTS FOR SHARING AND DEBATES AROUND THE THEME “LEGACY AND FUTURE OF OUR CITIES”

On 27 and 28 November 2019, the third edition of **FUTURE Days** at Cité Descartes in Marne-la-Vallée will see 7 round tables, 10 talks, 4 workshops and 11 visits of research facilities around the theme “Cities: our legacy, our future”. Bringing together the academic and socioeconomic worlds, the event is marked by the participation of experts and international figures involved in the city and sustainable development.

► **Historians and other experts — understanding our legacy to develop the city of tomorrow**

Patron of **FUTURE Days 2019**, **Patrick Boucheron**, a French historian, is also chairman of the Scientific Council of the École Française de Rome and professor at the Collège de France. A specialist in Medieval and Renaissance history, he is Chair of “History of the Powers in Western Europe, 13th-16th Centuries”. He recently stated, “There is no such thing as lost time, but there is no time to lose.”.

◀ **SESSION: WEDNESDAY 27 NOV. AT 09:45 - KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

Eeva Furman, Director of the Environmental Policy Centre of the Finnish Environment Institute has been researching environmental governance and sustainable development for over 20 years. Her specialist fields include the operationalization of ecosystem services, urban transport, collective housing and human health. She was also a member of the Independent Group of Scientists appointed by the UN to draw up the Global Sustainable Development Report 2019.

◀ **SESSION: WEDNESDAY 27 NOV. AT 09:45 - GREAT WITNESS**
**« FROM EDUCATION TO SCIENCE, TO SUSTAINABILITY:
SYSTEMS TRANSFORMATION TO ACHIEVE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT »**

Christian Hottin, a palaeographic archivist, is Deputy Head of the Department for Research and Scientific Policy, Direction Générale des Patrimoines (Central Heritage Management Department). His research focuses mainly on the history of architecture and representations of public institutions.

◀ **PLENARY SESSION: WEDNESDAY 27 NOV. AT 16:20 - PATRIMONIAL EMOTIONS, « THE NOTRE-DAME SYNDROM »**

► **Academic and socioeconomic figures offering expert insight and solutions**

The 2019 edition of the **FUTURE Days** will be marked by the participation of international experts, such as:

- **Tianhong Cui**, Professor of Mechanical Engineering, University of Minnesota (USA), University of Minnesota (USA);
- **Graeme Evans**, Professor of Creative & Cultural Economy, Convener of the RSA Mega-Events Research Network, University of the Arts London;
- **Stephan Kampelmann**, Professor, Holder of the Chair for Circular Economy and Urban Metabolism, Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB);
- **Ai-Qun Liu**, Professor, Nanyang Technological University (NTU) (Singapore);
- **Guillermo Bustos Lozano**, Director of the doctoral programme in history, historian, Simon Bolivar Andean University;

- **Remko Uijlenhoet**, Professor and Chair of Hydrology and Quantitative Water Management, Wageningen University & Research - Netherlands;
- **Diaa Khalil**, Professor, Vice Dean for Research and Post Graduate Study at Faculty of Engineering, Ain Shams University

Focus on:



Aawatif Hayar: International expert in smart cities

President of Hassan II University of Casablanca, Aawatif Hayar has invested her expertise into a pioneering programme in cognitive green radio systems, smart cities and ICT with the aim of providing teaching excellence and encouraging innovative teaching methods.

She co-founded the e-madina initiative in 2013 and seeks to develop and promote a new intelligent, social and frugal model for cities in developing countries.

◀ **SESSION: WEDNESDAY 27 NOV. AT 11:20 - GREAT WITNESS**

► Academic and socioeconomic figures offering expert insight and solutions

With more of a presence than in previous years, the large French groups in construction, transport and environment (EIFFAGE, VINCI, SUEZ, SNCF etc.) will share their experiences and projects through different talks and workshops. Alongside them will be consulting and engineering firms specialising in sustainable development or urban transition such as Inddigo or Renaissance Urbaine. The French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS) will also take part, as well as partner academic institutions.

Focus on:



Maximilien Pellegrini : Deputy CEO, Water France - SUEZ France

Maximilien Pellegrini is passionate about water and the environment and has spent a large part of his career working abroad, in Europe and the United States. A leading player in smart solutions for the sustainable management of water resources, the Suez group develops high value-added innovative services..

◀ **DÉBATE: TUESDAY 28 NOV. À 09:00**
◀ **TOP-BOTTOM: THE MIRRORED CITY** ▶

Michel Salem-Sermanet, CEO of Efficacy, the Urban Energy Transition Institute (ITE) which brings together some thirty public and private partners. He has held a range of different posts in ministerial offices, local government and in funding agencies for urban projects in developing countries.

◀ **PLENARY SESSION: WEDNESDAY 27 NOV. AT 11:20**
◀ **«EVENT-ORIENTED CITY, EPHEMERAL CITY ? THE CONSEQUENCES OF OUR LEGACY»**
OTHER SPEAKER: **STÉPHANE FIÉVET**, DIRECTOR OF CULTURE FOR PARIS2024, CITY OF PARIS

► An exhibition space to connect with companies and projects

Keen to participate in the event, startups, local innovative SMEs and companies invested in the city of tomorrow will occupy stands in the exhibition hall. This will be an opportunity for them to present their innovation projects and to connect with the professionals, scientists, academics and students present at the event.

→ **Exhibitors**: ERGANE0, Cap Digital, Descartes Développement et Innovation, Efficacy, Seine & Marne Attractivité, EpaMarne, Casden, AEF, Les Salles Blanches ESIEE Paris, Cluster Booster Bois-Biosourcés, OcapI projet du LEESU, Association Matrice IO, Université Gustave Eiffel, Chambre de Commerce et d'Industrie de Seine-et-Marne...

► Practical information

Event location:

ESIEE Paris
2 Boulevard Blaise Pascal
Cité Descartes, Marne-la-Vallée
93160 Noisy-le-Grand

Registration on the FUTURE Days site:

<https://www.futuredays.fr/inscriptions/inscription-visiteur/>

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