the illicit in the governance and development of cities and regions

This workshop offers a multidisciplinary exploration of the roles of illicit actors of various kinds in processes of urban and regional governance and development. Recognising that definitions of the illicit vary over time, space, and cultures, there has long been strong evidence that a range of illicit actors, including, but not restricted to, those engaged in organised criminal activity, have been involved in the processes and institutions of urban and regional governance and development across a diverse, international terrain and often across international borders. The workshop is organised around a series of original, empirical case studies examining the roles that a host of illicit actors have played within many cities and regions internationally.

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### Sept. 07

**10:00 - 10:15**
**Introduction**
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**CORRUPTION AND GREY URBAN GOVERNANCE**

**10:15 - 11:00**
**Corrupt cities: the illicit in local urban development. The Spanish case**
- **Monica Garcia Quesada** Free University of Brussels
- **Fernando Jiménez** University of Murcia

**11:00 - 11:45**
**Unethical urban governance and emerging non-places: the case of Belgrade**
- **Srđan Korac** Institute of International Politics and Economics, Belgrade
- **Dragana Ćorović** University of Belgrade

**11:45 - 12:30**
**Who is corrupt and where lies corruption: thinking from land use planning violations in Bangalore**
- **Jayaraj Sundaresan** University College London

**12:30 - 14:00**
**Lunch**

**14:00 - 14:45**
**Loci amoeni (it is not illegal, is self-organization!). Inquiring a thin boundary through the case of Rome, Italy**
- **Barbara Pizzo** La Sapienza, University of Rome
- **Edoardo Altavilla** Gran Sasso Science Institute, L’Aquila

**14:45 - 15:30**
**Corruption, crisis and regional policies: the project of Free Trade Zone in the Spanish metropolitan area of Valencia**
- **Jorge Ignacio Selfa Clemente** Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

**15:30 - 16:00**
**Coffee break**

**16:00 - 16:45**
**Building legitimacy through the spatial aesthetics of the illicit: extra-state urban actors in post-3.11 Japan**
- **Margrethe Bjone Engelien** John Edom, Hannah Wood
  - The Royal Danish Academy of Art, Copenhagen

**16:45 - 17:30**
**Securing disputed urban spaces: between policing and urban warfare in Rio de Janeiro**
- **Antônio Sampaio** The International Institute for Strategic Studies, London

**17:30 - 18:15**
**Prohibition and planning: marijuana, development, and the upheaval of governance in the urban seat of rural California**
- **Michael Polson** City University of New York

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### Sept. 08

**ORGANIZED CRIME, VIOLENCE AND ILLICIT GOVERNANCE**

**9:30 - 10:15**
**Territorial structures of violence in the post-Soviet urban space**
- **Svetlana Stephenson** London Metropolitan University

**10:15 - 11:00**
**Territorial control of urban places by illegal armed groups: a challenge for urban governance in Medellin, Colombia**
- **Laure Leibler** EHESS, Paris

**11:00 - 11:30**
**Coffee break**

**11:30 - 12:15**
**Gangsters, guerillas and messiahs: the rise of a neo-patrimonial state in East Timor**
- **James Scambary** Australian National University, Canberra

**12:15 - 13:00**
**International drug trafficking in the Sahara Desert: from nomadic nationalism to land-grabbing**
- **Luca Raineri** Sant’Anna School of Advanced Studies, Pisa

**12:30 - 14:00**
**Lunch**

**14:30 - 15:15**
**The sack of Palermo. A combination of local and global factors**
- **Vincenzo Scalia** University of Winchester

**15:15 - 16:00**
**"Mafia cements": criminal bonds and partnerships in the construction sector in Italy**
- **Salvatore Sberna** University Institute, Florence

**16:00 - 16:30**
**Conclusions and follow-up**
- **Francesco Chiodelli** Gran Sasso Science Institute (Italy)
- **Tim Hall** University of Winchester (UK)
- **Ray Hudson** University of Durham (UK)

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