**reSITE 2016: Fifth international conference on a hot topic – “Cities in Migration”**

**On June 16-17, 2016, for the fifth consecutive year, Prague will be hosting the largest concentration of the world’s top architects, urbanists, urban planners and landscape architects and economists. Visionaries, experts, mayors of major cities and representatives of outstanding civic initiatives will present innovative solutions and strategies for European and Western cities to come to terms successfully and painlessly with the influx of new residents. The professional conference will be complemented by a rich program for the public, taking place in Prague’s public space. reSITE will, yet again, bridge the gap between experts and ordinary citizens: their common driving force will be their love for the city and the endeavour to make it a better place for the next generation to live, work and play. Tickets are already on sale, 15 % discount being available until February 28.**

**Saskia Sassen, the leading lady in the world of sociology who introduced the term "global city“ will give a keynote address at reSITE 2016 in Prague. Professor at Columbia University and at the London School of Economics, she is a world-renown author of eight books and an expert in urban sociology. Professor Sassen has devoted over 20 years of her academic career to the themes of globalization and international migration.**

**All cities experience migration. Period.**

Whether it is intercultural, generational, transnational, national, city-to-city, from the periphery to the centre or within the city, all cities on our planet experience migration. It always has an effect on urban space. The current situation in Europe has revealed an experiential gulf between Western countries in Europe and new EU member states. That is also why Prague is the right place for this big topic. ***“Migration and its impact on urban space is one of the major challenges of our generation. We will meet it. reSITE 2016 will explain how,”* says landscape architect Martin Barry, the founder and director of reSITE, adding: “*Migration is a natural opportunity, nothing to be afraid of. Rather than looking at the future through the prism of fear, we should get ready for it and know what the successful solutions are.”***

**Cities ready to absorb change**

The conference will explore the architecture, urban planning, public space and transportation solutions that integrate new residents sustainably and successfully. What will be the role of public policy, real estate development, human networks, civic action in finding successful set-ups? Together with the best thought leaders in the world we will debate how design, urban planning, policy, finance and shared values can improve our quality of life while creating more resilient and economically competitive cities.

**Tickets on sale now – take advantage of the best prices**

The registration for reSITE participants is open. Tickets are available in three different price categories: professionals, NGOs and students. A special **2-for-1** offer is available until February 15, and a 15% early purchase discount applies until February 28.

**reSITE: About Us**

**reSITE is a non-profit platform, supporting the understanding and synergies of urbanism, politics, culture and economics in the world where cities are incessantly growing. It presents the ideas and projects of internationally renowned experts to professionals and to the wider public. In the past four years and now in its fifth edition, reSITE has been inviting the world’s top experts to Prague in the fields of urban planning, architecture and urban development, and political leaders of inspirational cities. reSITE is not a closed-door conference; it brings a multitude of side events, debates, film screenings, exhibitions and bike rides for the general public. reSITE was founded in 2012 by Martin Barry, landscape architect, originally from New York. reSITE’s program director is architect Osamu Okamura.**

Thanks to reSITE, over **1600** people have attended the conferences and more than **250** leading personalities from around the world have presented their views in Prague, such as **Cecil Balmond**, engineer and philosopher; **Jón Gnarr**, former mayor of Reykjavík; **Enrique Peńalosa**, former mayor of Bogotá; **Janette Sadik-Khan**, commissioner of the New York City Department of Transportation; **Alexandros Washburn**, Chief Urban Designer of New York City, and **James Corner**, landscape architect and urban designer, both linked to the High Line project in NYC; **Craig Dykers** from the Norwegian studio Snohetta; **Michael Sorkin**, urbanist and architectural critic; **Reinier de Graaf**, urbanist from the cutting-edge studio OMA; **Michael Kimmelman**, architecture and urbanism critic from *The New York Times*; **Edward Glaeser**, professor and urban economist from Harvard University; **Adriaan Geuze**, architect and urbanist from studio West 8; **Greg Lindsay** from the World Economic Forum, and **Winy Maas**, of the leading Dutch architecture studio, MVRDV. They all contributed to making reSITE one of the biggest, the most innovative and most engaged festivals on urban design and development, public space and architecture in Europe.

**WHAT: reSITE 2016 Cities in Migration**

**WHEN: June 16-17, 2016**
WHERE: Forum Karlín, Pernerova 53, Prague 8, Czech Republic
REGISTRATION: Click [here](http://resite.cz/en/registration/) for more information and registration.

Organizing partner: **Prague Institute of Planning and Development**

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