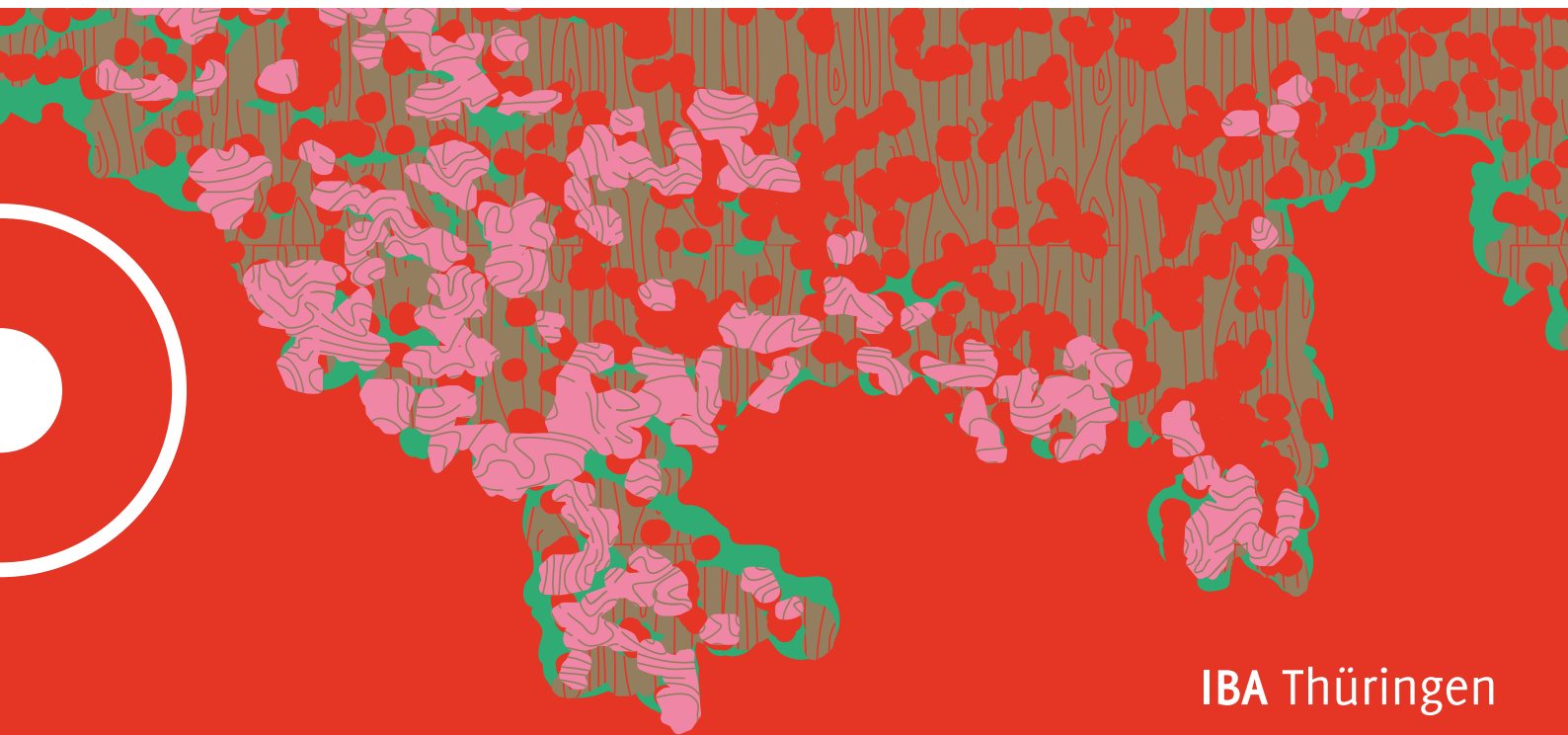


STADTLAND – FROM THURINGIA TO A PLANETARY PERSPECTIVE

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
APOLDA, MAY 4TH – 6TH 2023

URBAN –
RURAL
ASSEMBLY



IBA Thüringen

The International Building Exhibition (IBA) Thuringia and the Sino-German research project Urban Rural Assembly (URA) are jointly hosting the international conference „StadtLand – from Thuringia to a planetary perspective“.

It forms part of the exhibition „Stadtland – learning from Thuringia“ in the iconic Eiermann building in Apolda, where the IBA presents the results of its decennial project development process. Since 2019, the URA project has been conducting research on the development and planning of urban-rural regions in eastern China and Thuringia.

Ongoing planetary urbanization and interconnection require a ‘Stadt-Land’ perspective – one that focuses on the interrelationships and material cycles within larger territories, including both urban and rural areas. In this context, the ‘rural’ areas become a critical resource for a more circular and climate-friendly future development. The Stadt-Land perspective thus calls for new societal practices fostering solidarity in the use of land, in addition to more resource-efficient construction and economic activities.

To this end, IBA and its local partners have implemented model projects in Thuringia, while URA has investigated the rapid socio-spatial transformation processes which characterize an urban-rural region in the Chinese province of Zhejiang. Both projects work with ‘living labs’ which support the development of strategies and tools for future change.

The conference opens new avenues of thought and action – from the current urbanization tendencies in Thuringia and numerous other regions worldwide, to spatial visions and planning strategies toward sustainable urban-rural interrelations. We invite you to come to Apolda to hear more, and to connect with international researchers and practitioners who are advancing this relevant issue. The conference will be held in German and English. A live streaming option (only for the international conference, may 5) will be available via [zoom](#) (code: 554374).

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IBA KICK-OFF THURSDAY, MAY 4

Location

Eiermannbau, Auenstraße 11, 99510 Apolda

4 pm

Arrival of participants

5 pm

Welcome and Introduction

Marta Doehler-Behzadi, Director,
IBA Thüringen

Bodo Ramelow, Minister President,
State of Thuringia

Klara Geywitz, Federal Minister for Housing,
Urban Development and Construction

Keynote

Remy Sietchiping, UN Habitat, Nairobi
in conversation with

Philipp Misselwitz, Bauhaus Earth, Berlin

6.30 pm

Opening IBA Exhibition

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE FRIDAY, MAY 5

Location

Eiermannbau, Auenstraße 11, 99510 Apolda

Online Access via [zoom](#), code: 554374

Moderation

Cordelia Polinna, Forward Planung und
Forschung, Institut für Resilienz im
ländlichen Raum

9 am

Arrival and Registration,

Lounge: video presentation: »Ein Raumbild
für die Stadt-Land-Region Nordhausen«
(25 min)

10 am

Welcome and Introduction

Cordelia Polinna

Video Message

Susanna Karawanskij, Minister for Infrastruc-
ture and Agriculture of Thuringia

10.30 am

Session 1: StadtLand

»Environments of Planetary Urbanization: Sustainable Development Across Country and City«

Hillary Angelo, UC Santa Cruz

»Urbanization of Agricultural Territories and Food Democracy«

Milica Topalovic, ETH Zürich

»Towards a Landscape-based Regional Design Approach for Adaptive Urban Transformation in the Pearl River Delta«

Steffen Nijhuis, TU Delft

Discussant:

Anke Hagemann, TU Berlin

12 pm

Lunch Break

1 pm

Session 2: Strategies

»StadtLand: Concept and Project space of IBA Thuringia«

Marta Doehler-Behzadi, IBA Thüringen, Apolda

»Accentuating Indigenous Logics in Regional Vision-building: Learning from the Mekong Delta«

Kelly Shannon, KU Leuven

»How to Raumbild? – Dealing with Multiple Perspectives on Regional Transformation Processes«

Maria Frölich-Kulik, Bauhaus-Universität Weimar and Lukas Pappert, TU Berlin

Discussant:

Antje Stokman, HCU Hamburg

2.30 pm

Coffee Break

3 pm

Session 3: Actions

»Urban-Ruralism and Spatial Strategies: Understanding and Practicing Rural Regeneration in Huangyan, China«

Guiqing Yang, Tongji University, Shanghai

»Contemporary Commoning Practices in the Italian Alps«

Bianca Elzenbaumer, Brave New Alps, Rovereto

»The Dialectic between Inside and Outside. Insights into a Form of Cultural Regional Development«

Kenneth Anders, Oderbruch Museum Altranft, Bad Freienwalde

Discussant:

Sigrun Langner, Bauhaus-Universität Weimar

4.30 pm

Closing Remarks

EXCURSION TO IBA PROJECTS IN STADTLAND THURINGIA SATURDAY, MAY 6

The excursion is open for all registered guests.

9.30 am

Departure from Hotel am Schloss, Jenaer Straße 2, 99510 Apolda

10 am

Departure from Open Factory Eiermannbau Apolda, Auenstraße 11, 99510 Apolda

10.15 am

Departure from Hotel Weimarer Berg, Am Weimarer Berg 7, 99510 Apolda

Station 1 (only bus 1)

Werkhaus Beulwitzer Straße Saalfeld

Station 2

Ein Tor ins Schwarzatal - Bahnhof Rottenbach

Station 3

Schloss Schwarzburg - Denkort der Demokratie

Station 4

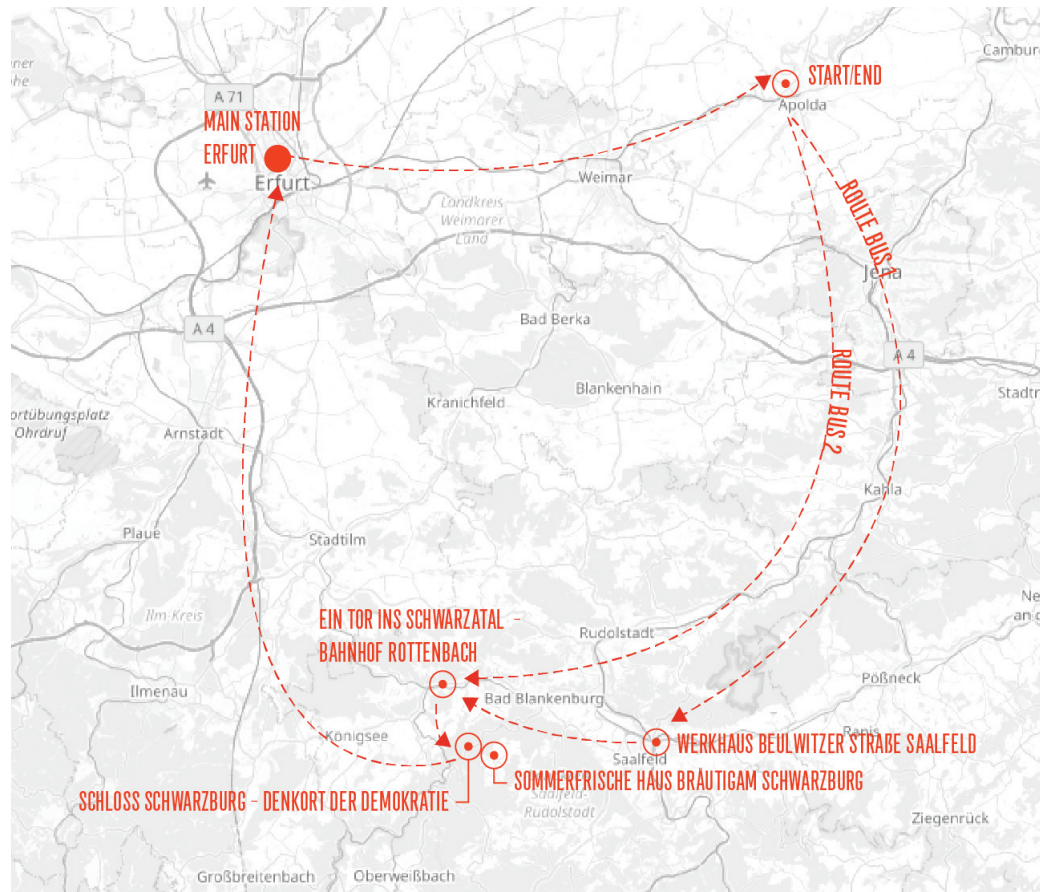
Sommerfrische Haus Bräutigam Schwarzburg

around 5.30 pm

Arrival Erfurt main station

around 6.15 pm

Arrival in Apolda



SPEAKERS

**Dr. Kenneth Anders,
Oderbruch Museum Altranft, Bad Freien-
walde**

Kenneth Anders studied cultural studies, sociology and philosophy in Leipzig and Berlin, wrote a dissertation in cultural history and worked as a freelance journalist. In 2004 he founded the Büro für Landschaftskommunikation with Lars Fischer. He is the director of the Eberswalde Film Festival - the Provinziale - and the Oderbruch Museum Altranft - Workshop for Rural Culture. Kenneth Anders is a member of the advisory board of the IBA Thuringia.

**Prof. Dr. Hillary Angelo,
UC Santa Cruz**

Hillary Angelo is an Associate Professor of Sociology at the University of California, Santa Cruz, and current Member of the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton. Her work offers a social-theoretical perspective on socio-ecological questions through historical and contemporary research on urban greening, sustainability planning and policy, infrastructure, and climate change.

**Dr. Marta Doehler-Behzadi,
IBA Thüringen**

Marta Doehler-Behzadi has been managing director of IBA Thüringen GmbH since 2014. After studying urban planning at the Hochschule für Architektur und Bauwesen (HAB) Weimar, followed by research studies, she initially worked for the chief architect of the city of Leipzig for several years from 1984. She then worked as a freelance urban planner in Leipzig. From 2007 to 2014, she was head of the department for building culture and urban monument protection in the Federal Ministry of Building.

**Dr. Bianca Elzenbaumer,
Brave New Alps, Rovereto**

Bianca Elzenbaumer is a design researcher, founding member of the design office Brave New Alps and coordinator of the Alpine Community Economies Lab at the Center for Other Worlds at Lusófona University in Lisbon. Since 2021 she is also Co-President of CIPRA International, an alpine-wide environmental NGO active at both grassroots and state level. The focus of her practical and academic activities include community economies and commons, spatial practice, and urban-rural relations.

**Dr. Maria Frölich-Kulik,
Bauhaus-Universität Weimar**

Maria Frölich-Kulik is an architect and works as a researcher at the chair of landscape architecture and planning at the Bauhaus-Universität Weimar focusing on the interweaving of urban and rural lifestyles as well as on the social and geographical relationships between buildings and landscapes. In 2020, she finished her PhD-thesis on vacant rural railway stations as resources for regional development. Before she worked in architectural offices in Amsterdam, Weimar and Leipzig. She is co-founder of the Haus Bräutigam association (IBA Project).

**Prof. Anke Hagemann,
Habitat Unit, TU Berlin**

Anke Hagemann is an architectural and urban researcher. Since September 2021, she has been an acting professor at the Chair of International Urbanism and Design (Habitat Unit) at TU Berlin, where she heads the Urban Rural Assembly research consortium. Her research interests include global commodity circulation and translocal production of space, operational landscapes, holiday architectures, urban mega-events, and the spatial regulation of access and mobility.

**Prof. Dr. Sigrun Langner,
Bauhaus-Universität Weimar**

Sigrun Langner is a landscape architect as well as a professor of landscape architecture and planning and current dean of the Faculty of Architecture and Urban Studies at Bauhaus University Weimar. Since 2003, she has been an office partner in Station C23-Architekten und Landschaftsarchitekten, Leipzig. Her current research focuses on urban landscapes as an expression of urban-rural relational structures. In her research, she incorporates mapping methods as a performative practice of understanding and knowledge generation.

**Prof. Dr. Philipp Misselwitz,
Bauhaus der Erde, Berlin**

Philipp Misselwitz is an architect and urban researcher. Since 2013 he holds the Chair of International Urbanism and Design (Habitat Unit) at the Technischen Universität Berlin. His research focuses on the impact of planetary, social and ecological crises on architecture, urban development and urban-rural relations. Since 2017 he is Visiting Professor at the University of Witwatersrand in Johannesburg. Since September 2021 he is Executive Director of Bauhaus der Erde which develops new systemic approaches for climate-positive and circular building.

**Prof. Dr. Steffen Nijhuis,
TU Delft**

Steffen Nijhuis is Full Professor of Landscape-based Urbanism Research and Head of the Section Landscape Architecture at the Faculty of Architecture and the Built Environment, Delft University of Technology (The Netherlands). As an awarded academic and experienced landscape architect he is advisor to international NGO's, governmental and regional authorities and leads projects that address sustainable urban and landscape development, water sensitive and social-ecological inclusive urban planning and design. Furthermore he is PhD supervisor, author of numerous academic publications and visiting professor and guest lecturer at universities in Europe, Asia and North America.

**Lukas Pappert,
TU Berlin**

Lukas Pappert has been a researcher at the Habitat Unit at TU Berlin since 2022. Previously, he worked as an urban designer at Urban Catalyst GmbH in the fields of strategic planning, spatial research and participation. His scientific and practical activities focus on the investigation and further development of tools for the sustainable and cooperative transformation of urban-rural regions.

**Dr. Cordelia Polinna,
Forward Planung und
Forschung/Institut für
Resilienz im ländlichen Raum**

Cordelia Polinna is an urban planner and researcher. In 2022 she founded the Institute for Resilience in Rural Areas and the office _forward Planning and Research. Before that, she was Managing Director of Urban Catalyst GmbH. She is an expert in strategic spatial development, community-oriented real estate development and cooperative participation processes. As a moderator, she regularly appears in the context of larger participation formats such as the Stadtforum Berlin or the Masterplan Darmstadt 2030+.

**Prof. Dr. Kelly Shannon,
KU Leuven**

Kelly Shannon is a professor of urbanism at KU Leuven (Belgium) and program director of the Master of Human Settlements and Master of Urbanism, Landscape and Planning. Her research is at the intersection of critical analysis, projective cartographies and design. Her work focuses on development of landscape urbanism in times of global warming and the development of strategies that work with water, vegetation and topography. She has published widely and works on design research consultancy projects, mainly for the Vietnamese and Flemish governments.

**Dr. Remy Sietchiping,
UN Habitat, Nairobi**

Remy Sietchiping is the Chief of Policy, Legislation and Governance Section within the Urban Practices Branch of UN-Habitat. He oversees the development of UN-Habitat's strategic programmes including National Urban Policy, legislation, governance, urban-rural linkages, smart cities, metropolitan development and the International Guidelines on Urban and Territorial Planning. He has coordinated global, regional and country projects and programmes for UN-Habitat in Africa, Asia, and Latin America.

**Prof. Antje Stokman,
HCU Hamburg**

Antje Stokman is a landscape architect and professor of landscape architecture and landscape planning at HafenCity University Hamburg. In her research, teaching and practice, she deals with cross-disciplinary issues of climate-adapted transformation of buildings, water bodies and infrastructures into liveable urban and landscape spaces with the aim of integrating ecological, infrastructural, social and aesthetic requirements. Antje Stokman is a member of the advisory board of the IBA Thüringen.

**Prof. Milica Topalovic,
ETH Zürich**

Milica Topalovic is Associate Professor of Architecture and Territorial Planning at the Department of Architecture, ETH Zurich. Her work is concerned with territories beyond-the-city and transformation processes they are exposed to, through the movement of capital, social restructuring, and environmental change. With the Architecture of Territory group she undertook a range of territorial studies around the world, in remote regions, resource hinterlands, and countrysides, in an effort to decenter and ecologize architect's approaches to the city, the urban, and urbanization. Her work has been published in various international journals and books.

**Prof. Dr. Guiqing Yang,
Tongji University, Shanghai**

Guiqing Yang (Prof. Dr.) is vice director of the Academic Committee in College of Architecture and Urban Planning, Tongji University. He is vice chairman of the Academic Committee on Urban and Rural Planning in Mountainous Regions in the Chinese Society of Urban Planning. His current research focus is rural revitalization. In 2018, he established the »Tongji-Huangyan Rural Vitalization College« in Huangyan District, Taizhou, and works as the executive president.

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Parking:

Parking at the venue is limited. Parking is not possible in the courtyard of the Eiermann Building for the duration of the event. We recommend travelling by public transport.

Additional information about IBA exhibition and events in Apolda

IBA Exhibition »StadtLand - von Thüringen lernen«

Eiermannbau, Auenstraße 11, 99510 Apolda

opening hours during the event:

friday, may 5: 9 am - 2 pm, only for conference participants, 2 pm - 6 pm regular opening hours

saturday, may 6: 9 am- 11 pm («Lange Nacht der Museen» in the Weimarer Land)

sunday, may 7: 10 am - 6 am

opening hours in general:

tuesday-friday: 2 pm - 6 pm

saturday-sunday, holidays: 10 am - 6 pm

Celebration weekend 100 years

»Decker Pitter«

This year, on May 5th, the small town Apolda commemorate the casting of St. Peters bell in Apolda for the Cologne Cathedral, which is popularly known as the »Decke« or »Dicke Pitter«.

To mark this anniversary, a festival weekend will take place from May 5th to 7th, 2023 in Apolda, with the city of Apolda and the Friends of the GlockenStadtMuseum Apolda collaborating to organize it.

The highlight of the weekend will be a big Bell Festival on Friday, May 5th, held on the market square in Apolda. Starting at 6 pm with a parade from Auenstraße to the market place. There will be a colorful program of music, interesting facts and trivia about THE bell, which will be presented on stage.

The event ends with fireworks at 10 pm.

