

THE RIGHT TO RETURN – THROUGH THE PALESTINE REFUGEE CAMP

28-30 April | FAUL | Room 5.09

This event explores socio-spatial injustice, refugee camps, and the role of architecture in contested spaces.

Registration:

Join us for discussions with Doctor **Samar Maqusi** (PEARL-UCL), Professor **Plácido Lizancos Mora** (ETSA-UC), and others, professors and researchers. Please register below, for free, to help us plan.

Event Overview

Location:

FAUL | Rua Sá Nogueira, 1349-063 Lisboa | Room 5.09

Invited Speakers:

- Samar Maqusi – Doctor, Person-Environment-Activity Research Laboratory, University College London (PEARL-UCL)
- Plácido Lizancos Mora – Professor, Escola Técnica Superior de Arquitectura, Universidade da Coruña (ETSA-UC)

Organizing Committee

- Daniel Jesus – Professor, Faculdade de Arquitetura da Universidade de Lisboa (FAUL)
- Isabel Raposo – Professor, Gestual-CIAUD-FAUL
- Andrea Arruda – Researcher, Gestual-CIAUD-FAUL
- Milousa António – PhD student, FAUL
- Rosa Arma – PhD student, FAUL
- Coletivo Folha em Branco

Schedule

MONDAY, 28 April

09:30–13:00

Opening | Prof. Daniel Jesus, FAUL

Presentation & Discussion | Doctor Samar Maqusi, PEARL-UCL

- *Introducing the camp: concept, people, space (making of shelter, common, camp-space)*

Short films

1. 'Narrative of a space';
2. 'Baga'a camp and Burj el Baraineh camp'

Exercises (presentation)

Samar will provide provocations at beginning of session

Readings:

> Abourahme, N. (2020). The Camp. *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa, and the Middle East*, 40(1), 35–42. <https://doi.org/10.1215/1089201X-8186016>

> We Refugees; Hannah Arendt:

https://archive.org/details/hannah_arendt_we_refugees/page/n1/mode/2up

> Sanyal, R. (2014). *Urbanizing Refuge: Interrogating Spaces of Displacement*

> Samar Maqusi. (2021). Acts of Spatial Violation: The Politics of Space-Making inside the Palestinian Refugee Camp. *ARENA Journal of Architectural Research*, 6(1). <https://doi.org/10.5334/ajar.324>

> Khalili, L. (2005). Places of Memory and Mourning: Palestinian Commemoration in the Refugee Camps of Lebanon. *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa, and the Middle East*, 25(1), 30–45. <https://doi.org/10.1215/1089201X-25-1-30>

1. 'Unpacking the politics of space' of a specific case study (the role of architecture and urban design in controlling, segregating, managing);

2. Autobiography (self-described narrative) of the city of today.

14:30–17:00

Exercises (cont.) | with Doctor Samar Maqusi and other professors and researchers

TUESDAY, 29 April

09:30–13:00

Presentation & Discussion | Prof. Plácido Lizancos (ETSA-UC)

- Oppression through destruction of space

Roundtable discussion

- Socio-spatial injustice and violence in the North and Global South (Angola and Mozambique)

14:30–17:00

Exercises | with Prof. Plácido Lizancos, Doctor Samar Maqusi and other professors and researchers

1. How do we open up the question of design when uncertainty and crisis are persistent?
2. *Imaginaries for the community of tomorrow (through the city)*: Learning or Un-learning from the camp, how do we imagine (work towards) our tomorrow habitat within *relational* concepts? (This could be city of all its components, or a focus on home, public space, university etc., or an imagined space we have not considered)

Readings:

> After Architecture: A Conversation, PAUL VIRILIO AND SYLVERE LOTRINGER, 2001

> Chandler, D. (2022). Decolonising resilience: reading Glissant's Poetics of Relation in Central Eurasia.

Cambridge Review of International Affairs, 35(2), 158–175.

WEDNESDAY, 30 April

10:00–12:00

Participant presentation and discussion

Samar will provide provocations at beginning of session

- Connecting Gaza to the world: What does Gaza reveal? What to do?
- Unpacking concepts (Genocide, Urbicide, Scholarcide, Domicide, Logicide, Memoricide...)

Readings:

> Masalha, N. (2015). Settler-Colonialism, Memoricide and Indigenous Toponymic Memory: The Appropriation of Palestinian Place Names by the Israeli State. *The Journal of Holy Land and Palestine Studies : A Multidisciplinary Journal*, 14(1), 3–57.

> Salamanca, O. J. (2011). Unplug and Play: Manufacturing Collapse in Gaza. *Human Geography*, 4(1), 22–37. <https://doi.org/10.1177/194277861100400103>

> Coward, M. (2007). "Urbicide" Reconsidered. *Theory & Event*, 10(2), N_A-.
<https://doi.org/10.1353/tae.2007.0056>

> American Concentration Camps; The Chris Hedges Report, accessed here:
<https://chrishedges.substack.com/p/american-concentration-camps>

12:00–13:30 (auditorium 22/23)

Keynote talk | Doctor Samar Maqusi, PEARL-UCL

- The Right to Return: through the Palestine refugee camp
(<https://www.fa.ulisboa.pt/index.php/pt/agenda/noticias-2/3424-palestras-miarq-2semestre>)
-> End with boy song from Rachel ..

15:00–17:00

Keynote talk | Professor Plácido Lizancos, ETSA-UC

- How can we, architects and urbanists, start imagining the 'after genocide' in Gaza? Imagining a new architectural pedagogy: where to start?

Roundtable discussion with Professor Plácido Lizancos, Doctor Samar Maqusi, other professors, researchers and students

Samar will provide provocations at beginning of session

- Socio-spatial injustice and violence increasing gap between North (Europe) and Global South (Africa, Latin America, Western Asia)
- On violence and production of space: the role of research
Envisioning a new collective: networks and cooperation

OTHER READINGS:

> Benjamin, W., Funes, P. D. (Peter D., & Ng, J. Julia C. Y. (2021). *Toward the critique of violence : a critical edition / Walter Benjamin ; translated and edited by Peter Funes and Julia Ng*. Stanford University Press.

> Agier, M. (2012). "From Refuge the Ghetto is Born: Contemporary Figures of Heterotopias," in *The Ghetto*, Routledge. ISBN: 9780429496516.

> Lefebvre, H., & Enders, M. J. (1976). REFLECTIONS ON THE POLITICS OF SPACE. *Antipode*, 8(2), 30–37.
<https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1467-8330.1976.tb00636.x>

> Peter Grbac, "Civitas, polis, and urbs: reimagining the refugee camp as the city," Working Paper Series No. 96, Refugee Studies Centre , October 2013.

Portuguese version

O DIREITO DE RETORNO – CAMPOS DE REFUGIADOS PALESTINOS

28-30 abril | FAUL | Sala 5.09

Este evento aborda a injustiça socio-espacial, os campos de refugiados e o papel da arquitetura em espaços disputados.

Inscrição:

Junte-se a nós nas discussões com a Doutora **Samar Maqusi** (PEARL-UCL), o Professor **Plácido Lizancos Mora** (ETSA-UC) e outros professores e investigadores. Registe-se no link abaixo, gratuitamente, para nos ajudar a planejar.

Informação geral

Localização:

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Oradores convidados:

- Samar Maqusi – Doutora, Person-Environment-Activity Research Laboratory, University College London (PEARL-UCL)
- Plácido Lizancos Mora – Professor, Escola Técnica Superior de Arquitectura, Universidade da Corunha (ETSA-UC)

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Programa

SEGUNDA-FEIRA, 28 de abril

09:30–13:00

Abertura | Professor Daniel Jesus, FAUL

Apresentação e Discussão | Doutora Samar Maqusi, UCL

- *Introducing the camp: concept, people, space (making of shelter, common, camp-space)*

Curta-metragem

1. ‘Narrative of a space’;
2. ‘Bagd'a camp and Burj el Baraineh camp’

Exercícios (apresentação)

1. ‘Desvendando a política do espaço’, a partir de um caso de estudo específico (o papel da arquitetura e do urbanismo no seu controlo, segregação, gestão);
2. Autobiografia (narrativa auto-descrita) da cidade atual.

14:30–17:00

Exercícios (cont.) | com a Doutora Maqusi e outros professores e investigadores

TERÇA-FEIRA, 29 de abril

09:30–13:00

Apresentação e Discussão | Professor Plácido Lizancos, UC

- Opressão através da destruição do espaço

Mesa-redonda

- *Injustiça e violência Socio-Espacial no Norte e no Sul Global (Angola e Moçambique)*

14:30–17:00

Exercícios (cont.) | com o Professor Plácido Lizancos, a Doutora Samar Maqusi e outros professores e investigadores

QUARTA-FEIRA, 30 de abril

10:00–12:00

Apresentação e discussão dos participantes

- Conectando Gaza ao mundo: O que Gaza nos revela? O que fazer?
- Desvendando conceitos (genocídio, urbicídio, escolarcídio, domicídio, logicídio...)

12h00–13h30 (Auditório 22/23)

Palestra | Doutor Samar Maqusi, UCL

- O Direito de Retorno: campos de refugiados palestinos
(<https://www.fa.ulisboa.pt/index.php/pt/agenda/noticias-2/3424-palestras-miarq-2semestre>)

15:00–17:00

Palestra | Professor Plácido Lizancos (UC)

- Como podemos nós, arquitecto e urbanistas, começar a imaginar o “pós-genocídio” em Gaza? Imaginar uma nova pedagogia arquitetónica: por onde começar?

Mesa-redonda com o Professor Plácido Lizancos, a Doutora Samar Maqusi, outros professores, investigadores e alunos

- Injustiça socio-espacial e violência aumentam o fosso entre o Norte Global (Europa) e o Sul Global (África, América Latina, Ásia Ocidental)
- Sobre a violência e a produção do espaço: o papel da investigação
- Vislumbrar um novo coletivo: redes e cooperação