

Human Cities Press Release

Milan, April 12th-17th, 2016

Human Cities Challenging the City Scale/ Milano

Expo, Lab & Tour



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Human Cities_Challenging the City Scale /Milano

Milano Design Week, 12th-17th of April 2016

BASE Milano, Via Bergognone 34, 20144, Milano

Opening time: 10am-10pm



Human Cities_Challenging the City Scale is an European project, exploring the way in which the inhabitants reclaim the constantly evolving contemporary city, through experiments in the urban space. It is co-founded by Creative Europe Programme of The European Union, 2014-2018.

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During the Milano Design Week, Human Cities comes across with “Human Cities_Challenging the City Scale/Milano”, an interactive “experiment lab” as a result of an active design experience between Politecnico di Milano – Design Department and School of Design, with “Atir Ringhiera” theatre in Milano and local associations around La Piana, a square of 6000 sqm in front of the theatre.

62 international students attended the “Temporary Urban Solutions” master-class, from more than 10 different countries, working for 5 months with 11 local organizations to develop spaces and services to reactivate La Piana square. This experience involved the university, the theatre and the neighborhood to explore the context and the local needs by developing actions and temporary urban solutions for social innovation.

“Human Cities_Challenging the City Scale/Milano” is also an opportunity to share how the Human Cities partners are activating public spaces across European cities: the exhibition acts as a storyteller of the work in progress. “Human Cities_Challenging the city Scale/Milano” will host the College of Design and Innovation of Tongji University - Shanghai, with the exhibition “Open Your Space”. The interaction within the public space is here explored in an extra European urban context - the megalopolis of Shanghai - involving the Siping Lu’s community, the Tongji campus neighborhood.

During the Milano Design Week 2016 will take place the annual meeting of Human Cities/Challenging the city scale research project with more than 30 representatives of the 11 partners.



HUMAN CITIES_CHALLENGING THE CITIES SCALE / MILANO PROGRAMME OF THE MEETING

April 13th//ANNUAL HUMAN CITIES PARTNERS MEETING

13.00-18.30 in Politecnico di Milano – Bovisa campus, via Candiani 72, Milano
19.30 Dinner

April 14th//LAB

10.00-11.30 Visit to exhibition + Experiment Lab @BASE Milano, Via Bergognone 34
11.30-12.30 Human cities seminar @BASE Milano, Via Bergognone 34, 20144, Milano
12.30 Exhibition Opening @BASE Milano, Via Bergognone 34, 20144, Milano
13.30 Bike tour to La Piana (Teatro Ringhiera ATIR), Via Boifava 17, 20142, Milano
14.30-18.00 Experiment Lab @La Piana (Teatro Ringhiera ATIR),
Via Boifava 17, 20142, Milano
18.00 Bike tour to BASE Milano, Via Bergognone 34, 20144, Milano
18.30 Event at Triennale Exhibition (TBC) @BASE Milano, Via Bergognone 34, Milano
20.30 Dinner

April 15th//TOUR

9.30-13:00 New Public spaces in Milan: guided tour
13:00-14:00 Lunch and end of the activities

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