

The French-Nordic Meetings 2016

Towards "cocoon cities"?

New urban practices to face the climatic risks

It has been four year that Sciences Po Rennes' students organize in their Caen antenna French-Nordic Meetings. These meetings aim to gather during a weekend people from France and Northern Europe countries in order to share and exchange about a thematic linked to environment and sustainable development. This event is open to the general public, who we want to involve into the debates and working groups.

This year, the French-Nordic Meetings focus on the thematic of the *new urban practices to face climatic risks*. The idea is to discuss and share ideas about a better city and town resilience towards environmental risks, with a particular focus on those strengthened by climate change (flooding, coastal erosion, rising waters, etc.). French and Nordic contributors, local elected representatives, researchers, practitioners working on city and town resilience, risk management or sustainable urban planning, are invited to share their projects, solutions and experiences around the idea of a protective city.

Date of the event: Friday 11th, Saturday 12th of March, 2016

<u>Place of the event:</u> Sciences Po Rennes, Caen antenna - Renewable Industries and Energies 8 rue Pasteur - 14000 Caen, Basse-Normandie, France

Free entry - Open to all

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Program of the French-Nordic Meetings

Friday - March, 11th

19h: Opening Evening -Presentation of the French-Nordic Meetings + Cine-Debate around the nordic model and the environment

Saturday - March, 12th

14h-15h: Opening conference about the concept of resiliency

15h15-17h15: Session of three different workshops:

- Workshop 1 : Resiliency towards flooding risks (round table) (2H)

What are the changes in the way citizens, cities and officials perceive and manage the environmental risks, and especially flooding risks? In a participative approach, participants will debate, discuss and generate ideas about the obstacles and the driving forces that are at stake concerning the building of resilient city.

- Workshop 2 : Adapting urban and land planning to climate changes : an opportunity to rethink the cities ? Example of the district of the Peninsula of Caen (2H)

What are the opportunity(ies) adaptation to climate changes can give to the cities? Between strict interdictions and total laissez-faire, how to plan urban areas while also taking risks into account? With concrete example of the Caen's Peninsula planning, participants will exchange about the way cities can use the risk consideration and adaptation to develop new opportunities.

- Workshop 3: Individual emergency preparedness - The French Red Cross (2H)

In a concrete way, the Red Cross will help people to be well-prepared and to react in front of catastrophes and emergency situation. The goal is to sensibilize the public to environmental risks.

17h15 - 19h : Break

19h : Nordic Tales by Reine Lenoble, member of the Nordic Association of the Basse-Normandie

19h30 : Closing Evening of the French-Nordic Meetings – Presentation of the Workshops' reports - Franco-Nordic buffet and music

Sunday - March, 13th

For the nordic intervenors, visits and activities will be planned on sunday (Peninsula of Caen, Caen's old downtown, Bayeux, restaurant...) which will depend on the hour of their departure.

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