What is Study Space?

Study Space is a weeklong intensive workshop in which scholars, government representatives and private sector professionals develop solutions to legal, social and policy challenges in urban areas.

The setting for Study Space X is Marseille, France. Its theme is Transforming Marseille: Balancing Urban Redevelopment, Economic Growth, Social Equity and Environmental Protection in the Building of a Metropolitan Area. All lectures will be in English or translated.

Study Space is unique because:

• Participation is limited to a small group of international scholars and professionals selected from a variety of disciplines.
• The program examines and provides recommendations for a defined set of challenges facing the host city.
• It promotes active learning and problem-solving through research, site visits and group discussions with local academics, nongovernment organizations and government officials.
• Participants contribute scholarly articles for publication in an online journal with international reach.

Questions?

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MARSEILLE

Marseille has undertaken rapid redevelopment projects over the last few decades, transforming its image from a declining port city to a popular tourist destination. Through projects such as Euroméditerranée, Europe’s largest urban renewal project, Marseille is creating 18,000 new homes, a million square meters of office space and stores, and 150 acres of green space.

As the 2013 European Capital of Culture, Marseille leveraged the arts as an economic driver, beautifying the waterfront, building museums such as the Villa Méditerranée and Museum of European and Mediterranean Civilizations, and repurposing old and abandoned buildings for cultural activities.

**Study Space X** participants will learn how the city is balancing revitalization with a culturally diverse population and widespread economic inequality. **Study Space X** will provide participants with valuable information for comparative research.

Themes explored over the week include:
- Equitable and sustainable development
- Land use law, urban planning, and transportation
- Taxation and infrastructure finance
- Social mix, affordable housing and housing finance
- Cultural heritage and historic preservation
- Environmental law and greenspace preservation

**Schedule**

**Monday, June 19**
Aix-Marseille as a Metroploitan Area
- Site Visit: City bus tour
- Lunch and dinner included

**Tuesday, June 20**
Euroméditerranée: Europe’s Largest Urban Renewal and Economic Development Project
- Site Visit: Euroméditerranée
- Lunch included

**Wednesday, June 21**
Culture and Heritage as an Economic Driver
- Free afternoon for sightseeing or personal research

**Thursday, June 22**
Balanced Redevelopment: Affordable Housing and Social Mix
- Site Visit: Quarter Nord
- Lunch included

**Friday, June 23**
Environmental Law and Greenspace Preservation
- Site Visit: Parc National des Calanques
- Lunch and dinner included

**Cost**

The program fee is **$985** and includes scheduled group meals, speaker honoraria and site visits. Hotel, airline tickets and airport ground transportation must be purchased separately. A $500 deposit is due by **Friday, April 7**, and the remaining **$485** is due by **Monday, May 5**. No refunds will be issued after **Monday, May 5**.

A block of hotel rooms will be reserved Sunday through Friday nights and is estimated to be $1200 including breakfast daily. Participants are responsible for booking their hotel rooms and will be provided with the instructions when accepted into the program.

**Expectations**

Participants will receive reading materials to review prior to the start of the program. Attendees are expected to participate fully, including daily lectures, site visits, group discussions and dinners. Participants contribute scholarly articles for publication in either a French journal, or for publication in the online journal, *Journal of Comparative Urban Law & Policy*, a publication of Georgia State Law’s Center for the Comparative Study of Metropolitan Growth.