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 XII is Lisbon. Its theme is Living in a Tourist Destination: Regulating Planning, Housing and the Sharing Economy. All lectures will be in English.

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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The program fee is $975 and includes scheduled group meals, speaker honoraria and site visits. Hotel, airline tickets and airport ground transportation must be purchased separately. A $475 deposit is due by April 5, and the remaining $500 is due by May 3. No refunds will be issued after May 3.

A block of hotel rooms will be reserved Sunday through Friday nights. 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 the online journal, *Journal of Comparative Urban Law & Policy*, a publication of Georgia State Law’s Center for the Comparative Study of Metropolitan Growth.

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**LISBON**

Beautiful beaches boasting more sunlight than anywhere in Europe, a rich history, and amazing wine and gastronomy make Portugal an attractive tourist destination.

After the 2008 global financial crisis, Portugal focused on promoting tourism to boost the economy and spark urban regeneration. At the same time, a new rental law in 2012 removed rent freezes to encourage property owners to renovate dilapidated buildings and revitalize the city. Lisbon now faces an influx of tourists reaching 4.5 million annual visitors and new challenges regarding gentrification, forced evictions, lack of affordable housing in the city center, a deteriorating social fabric, and stress on the city’s infrastructure and public services.

How can cities ease the negative effects of tourism? How has the sharing economy affected housing supply and cost of living? What laws and policies can be used to balance community needs in a tourist destination?

Themes explored over the week include:
- Impact of the sharing economy on cities
- Regulation of the sharing economy and tourism
- Land use law and urban planning
- Housing law, policies and rights
- Environmental law, historic preservation law

**Schedule**

**Sunday, June 23**
Evening welcome reception

**Monday, June 24**
Lisbon: Spatial and Urban Planning Policies and Regulations
- Site Visit: Walking tour of Lisbon, Baixa / Avenidas Novas
- Lunch included

**Tuesday, June 25**
Housing Policies and Rights
- Site Visit: Social Housing in Lisbon Metropolitan Area
- Lunch included

**Wednesday, June 26**
Housing and Urban Rehabilitation in Lisbon
- Free afternoon for sightseeing or personal research

**Thursday, June 27**
Impact of Tourism and the Sharing Economy in Lisbon
- Site Visit: Guided tour of historical neighborhoods Alfama/ Castelo/Mouraria, popular tourist areas
- Lunch included

**Friday, June 28**
Tourism and Environmental Sustainability in Metropolitan Lisbon
- Natural park, Monastery of Arrábida Bacalhoa; Bacalhoa and José Maria da Fonseca
- Lunch and dinner included

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- 4.5 million tourists visit annually, outnumbering residents 8 to 1
- Tourism is the country’s #1 economic sector