

III CONFERENCE



CITCEM

CENTRO DE INVESTIGAÇÃO TRANSDISCIPLINAR
CULTURA, ESPAÇO E MEMÓRIA

LANDSCAPE - materiality and immateriality

Porto, FLUP, 21st-24th November 2013

Call for papers

Over the ages, the expression «Landscape» has been one of the most ambiguous both in ordinary and scientific vocabulary. However, in the late 20th century, it became the support for one of the most recent conceptual acquisitions: Cultural Landscape. In order to fully understand it, reflection points to the preferential use of notions based on historical and anthropological readings of all manmade constructions on natural spaces. Thus, the constitution of Landscape as Heritage invites us to peer into time, objectively assessed, as a way to recognize the past. The combination of time with physical and material realities, together with the subjectivity of the observer, help us to understand some of the complexity of what is commonly described as «system landscape», understanding or trying to perceive and understand the conformation of the territory, made transdisciplinary by the disciplines that usually explain the material landscape, such as the natural sciences, archaeology, history, geography, architecture, among others, but also by addressing perspectives of the immaterial, such as literature, anthropology and cultural history.

In the pursuit of harmony, the recognition of observation criteria and the acceptance of intervention and seduction strategies, closely linked to the use and enjoyment of the landscape taken as heritage, are some of the concerns that we want to discuss and deepen, keenly aware of the urban and rural mutability that requires specific management, preservation and exploitation attitudes. In contrast, the evolution of international policies calls for the recognition of diversity assumed as the essence of identity and increasingly perceived as territorial marketing.

As an Interpretation of the transdisciplinary rationale of CITCEM, it is of the greatest interest that the paper proposals focus on different fields of approach, whether in the analysis and chronological interpretation of the age-old construction of the landscape, in cultural readings through the explanatory disciplines of the Landscape, or through

case studies of management and enhancement of current realities. With an approach that seeks to articulate past and present in a chronologically transversal and geographically global perspective, the III CITCEM Conference calls on the scientific community for a transdisciplinary debate, historically focused on the Landscape, its heritage, representations, present and prospective uses. The proposed topics that will be examined in thematic panels are as follows:

- Landscape – the concept of materiality
- Landscape – the concept of immateriality
- Landscape – the subjectivity of the observer
- Landscape – the prospectivity of the planner

Official languages

Portuguese, English, French and Spanish.

Important dates

- 15th May 2013: deadline for abstract submission (max. 500 words; with indication of the respective thematic area), with CV (max. 200 words).
- 31st May 2013: submission results.
- 15th September 2013: deadline for registration.
- 1st November 2013: full papers (max. 30.000 characters, including spaces).

Registration fees*

CITCEM researchers and participants presenting papers – mandatory registration (free)

Students (without paper presentation) – 10€

Other participants (without paper presentation) – 50€

* Does not include travel, accommodation and meals

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