

## gta doctoral workshop (Zurich, 31 May–1 Jun 16)

Department of Architecture, ETH Zürich, May 31–Jun 1, 2016

Deadline: Feb 15, 2016

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The gta doctoral workshop 2016: "Europe and its Limits"

The Institute for the History and Theory of Architecture (gta) at the ETH Zurich is organising the inaugural Doctoral Workshop for 31 May to 1 June 2016, which in future will be held every two years. The symposium offers a selected group of international PhD candidates a forum to present new research in the history, theory and critique of European architecture, urbanism and landscape architecture.

The event's conceptual framework is Europe in its diverse and constantly reinterpreted geographical, cultural and historical dimensions – from the ideas of the early modern period up to today's designs. The topics are European projects and positions in architecture, urbanism and landscape architecture; relations to European colonial and post-colonial developments on other continents; as well as the influence of non-European architects, planners, historians and theorists in Europe. The debate also includes European architectural history as the basis of the discipline as such as it emerged in the 19th century – its past, its methods and its constraints.

The workshop will involve 10 to 12 PhD candidates from international universities, who will each receive an invitation to give a 20-minute presentation based on their individual doctoral projects. The presentation may involve a coherent extract from a dissertation chapter or a distinct conceptual or methodological research issue in the candidate's topic. Each potential participant should have undertaken at least one year's research on the topic must have successfully registered the research project in a doctoral program.

The application should include a full draft version of the intended contribution (15,000 to 20,000 characters in length, including images). It should likewise include: a covering letter outlining the dissertation topic, the paper's focus and the applicant's institutional affiliation; a 150-word abstract summary explaining the paper's proposition and the significance of the presented subject within the dissertation; and a written recommendation from the candidate's supervisor confirming the dissertation's status and estimating the timeline for completion.

Candidates will be notified about their acceptance in early April 2016 and receive feedback to their proposal. The invitation to attend includes two nights in a hotel and return train or plane travel to Zurich.

The gta Doctoral Workshop will be held within the framework of the Doctoral Program in the History and Theory of Architecture, inaugurated in 2012 at the Department of Architecture of the ETH

Zurich.

Information on the Doctoral Program in the History and Theory for Architecture can be found under: <http://doctoral-program.gta.arch.ethz.ch/home>

For any organisational queries, please contact Cameron Macdonell: [professur.stalder@gta.arch.ethz.ch](mailto:professur.stalder@gta.arch.ethz.ch)

Interested doctoral candidates should send an electronic application (in PDF format, no larger than 10 MB) by 15 February 2016 to: [professur.stalder@gta.arch.ethz.ch](mailto:professur.stalder@gta.arch.ethz.ch)

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