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Seminar Title:

“ The role of Green territory in the modern city: bringing city area close to equilibrium”

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Synopsis:

What is the importance of “green areas” in the modern metropolis? Or more specifically how could we use this concept to develop a more sustainable city, i.e. solve the problem of pollutions and improve the life quality in our urban areas. Only in recent years this question starting to become central in urban planning, since more and more people are moving into cities and at the same time such issues as how to combat Climate Change and cross boundary pollution are becoming of urgent priority for policy makers.

Yet, still the subjects like green (and water) are often viewed as a just announce in an urban context and opinions about green in and around the city became rusted stuck in sectors, existing power relations and non-communication. The seminar will address an attempt break through this pattern.

Wim Timmermans workes together with architects and artists, using startling projects to loosen traditional ideas about the green and a city, by focusing on stimulation exchanges between professionals and citizens.

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