The summer school is addressed to young researchers working on doctoral dissertations in the field of city sociology, economics, law, and urban studies analyzing issues related to the city. The subject of the summer school’s work will be issues of the Central European city, having a clear regional specificity. Elements of this specificity are, on the one hand, urban artifacts of socialist realism that mark the central areas of cities, a significant share of residential infrastructure, and the region over the last 100 years.

areas of interest
1) Post-socialist city at the background of social and economic changes in Central Europe in the 21st century
2) Socialist modernism in the evolution of Central European cities (the new millennium perspective)
3) Communities/neighborhood of enormous housing complexes in the context of different phenomena and processes: suburbanization, migration, population aging, the pandemic phenomenon
4) Prognosis of the condition of social-modern forms of housing: economic, spatial, and social context.
5) Public policies in the context of socio-modernist types of development (gheotization, filtration, gentrification, revitalization, thermo-modernization, presumption)
6) Public space in the post-socialist city: between competition and cooperation

who can apply
who can apply: MA and Ph.D. students, who would like to improve their dissertations and works in social sciences, urban studies, or sociology. All the application documents, as well as lectures and activities, will be available in English only.
how to apply: on-line application form (click the link below) sent no later than 15/07/2020
notification of acceptance: 30/07/2020
Students will be selected on the basis of their motivation letter. Organizers have the right to conduct Skype interviews with the chosen candidates

other useful information
tuition hours: 20 hours on-line lectures and workshops (10h on-line meetings with experts, 10h hours on-line chats), academic excursion and social meetings, and cultural program in Poznań. The full detailed program will become available soon.
tuition fee: 60 EUR (a limited number of reduced fees is available, please contact the organizers)
what’s included in the course fee: participation in all courses and workshops, the cultural and social program, the certificate and summer school materials
key concepts in this summer school course are: the aim of this course is to provide information, training and opportunity to meet experts and present students’ work to get comments and professional feedback

keynote speakers:
prof. Ansgar Haase, Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research, Leipzig: Housing and the housing market in Leipzig between shrinkage and regrowth: the city of extremes?
prof. John Holmwood, Univ. of Nottingham: Universities after the Pandemic
prof. Jacek Isiński, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań: The great shift, out and in-migration in Central Europe
prof. Marek Nowak, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań: Post-socialist neighborhood community. Investigation from Poznań
prof. Adam Radziński, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznan: Dealing with the legacy of modernist planning in Eastern Germany and Poland
prof. Luděk Sykora, Charles University, Prague: Half-Life Cities: Capitalist Pasts and Socialist Futures
prof. Joanna Złotnicka-Salamek: Transformation in Poland from the outsider perspective

M.A Krzyżanowicz: Post-communist housing estates - potential or pallalt in contemporary cities? The case of Koperzecka Estate in Poznan, Poland

on-line application form: https://forms.gle/CWQBgtpHp99C1HpsC7