

METREX Glasgow Spring Conference - 24-26 April 2013



# Metropolitan Dimension

Europe - A Bunch of Grapes?

Proceedings Preface



# Preface

METREX was founded in Glasgow in 1996 with the support of many colleagues from metropolitan areas in the south of Europe. 15 of the 50 METREX Member metropolitan areas were not able to attend the Glasgow Conference as a result of the financial crisis now being faced across Europe but particularly in Spain, Italy, Greece and Portugal.

**These Conference Proceedings have been produced with the needs of colleagues who could not attend particularly in mind.**

They take the form of abstracts from the Powerpoint presentations that were shown, and the speeches that were given, by the 12 Conference speakers. Speeches were transcribed by Transcribe UK.

Dr. Gerald McGrath, the first METREX President, from Glasgow, was also not able to attend, because of illness.

**At the Conference Dinner on Friday 26 April the toast of "absent friends" was proposed by Baillie Josephine Docherty, of Glasgow City Council.**



## Europe - A Bunch of Grapes

*Each metropolitan city region in Europe with its peri-urban hinterland represents a grape*

- *Some are big, and some are small*
- *Some are sweet and some are dry*
- *Some are growing and flourishing, others are suffering and shrinking*
- *Some are very visible, others are hidden*

*Klaus Kunzmann*



Europe - A bunch of [green?] grapes

# METREX

METREX is The Network of European Metropolitan Regions and Areas. It was founded in 1996 at the Glasgow Metropolitan Regions Conference, supported by Local Authorities and Government bodies in the West of Scotland and DG Regio of the European Commission. Its purpose is the exchange of information, knowledge, understanding and experience in metropolitan affairs but with a core interest in spatial planning and development. It now has Members from some 50 of the major metropolitan areas in Europe, including the Glasgow and the Clyde Valley Strategic Development and Planning Authority (GCVSDPA). METREX holds biannual Conferences and works through Expert Groups and Projects on issues of common member interest.

Details are at [www.eurometrex.org](http://www.eurometrex.org)

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## The Metropolitan Dimension

There is a range of key urban issues that can only be addressed effectively at the metropolitan level

### Urban structure

The balance to be struck between urban renewal (of land and buildings) and urban expansion

### Urban connectivity

The relationships between modes of transport for people and goods

### Economic change

The need for urban restructuring and development to cope with the consequences of growth or decline

### Social change

The need for urban development, facilities and services to respond to factors such as migration, demographic change and consumer expenditure change

### Environmental sustainability

The need to safeguard natural resources and balance their use and development with their capacity for regeneration

### Climate change

The need to mitigate urban greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to the consequences of global warming

### Energy futures

The need to plan and develop for a decarbonised urban future

## Aspects of the Conference Theme that were explored during the Conference

## The contribution of spatial planning

There are key functions that spatial planning can contribute to effective metropolitan governance

### Preventing

Unsustainable development

### Safeguarding

Sensitive areas or resources

### Exercising foresight

Taking a longer term view of development prospects

### Presenting possible futures

For public consideration and debate

### Enabling

The realisation of chosen spatial planning and development strategies

### Sustaining

A chosen spatial planning and development strategy

## Spatial planning....orchestrating the players

Music at the Conference by the Royal Scottish Conservatoire



# Proceedings 1

## Scotland and Glasgow Day

### Welcome and Introduction

- **Baillie Josephine DOCHERTY**  
Glasgow City Council
- **Councillor Harry CURRAN**  
Convener, GCVSDPA
- **Alberto LEBORIERO AMARO**  
President of METREX

### Keynote address

### Planning in Scotland

- **Graeme PURVES**  
Assistant Chief Planner  
Directorate for the Built Environment  
Scottish Executive

### Scotland's Strategic Development Plans (SDP)

- **Stuart TAIT**  
Glasgow and the Clyde Valley SDPA
- **Ian ANGUS**  
Edinburgh and South East Scotland SDPA
- **Pam EWEN**  
Tayplan SDPA

### The Development Plan for Glasgow

- **Forbes BARRON**  
Head of Planning & Building Control Services

### Open Forum

### Planning in Scotland

- **Vincent GOODSTADT**  
Chair and Moderator  
Former President of the RTPi
- Panel of morning speakers and all Conference delegates

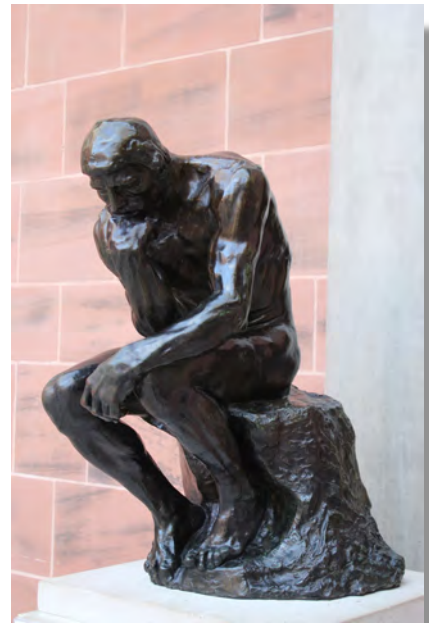
**METREX web site** - [www.eurometrex.org](http://www.eurometrex.org)

The original Powerpoint presentations from all the speakers can be downloaded from the METREX web site as can a video of the Keynote Address by Professor Klaus Kunzmann.



# Venue

## The Burrell Collection



The Thinker - Rodin  
The Metropolitan Dimension - The state of the Union?



METREX Glasgow 2013 Spring Conference at the Burrell Collection

# Proceedings 2

## METREX and Europe Day

### Welcome and Introduction

- **Alberto LEBORIERO AMARO**  
President of METREX

### Keynote Address

#### The Metropolitan Dimension in Europe

- **Dr. Klaus R. KUNZMANN**  
Professor, University of Dortmund  
Professor Kunzmann has published extensively on the future of the European city

### Keynote Address

#### The exemplar of the Metropolitan Dimension in Germany

- **Jakob RICHTER**  
Initiative Committee of European Metropolregions in Germany

#### Impact Investing and Sustainable Cities - What are the Levers?

- **Dr. Maximilian MARTIN**  
Founder and Global MD  
Impact Economy

### Open Forum

#### Metropolitan Dimension

- **Alberto LEBORIERO AMARO**  
Chair and Moderator  
President of METREX

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#### Metropolitan Dimension - Best Practice

- **Martine LEOTARD**  
Ile-de-France - A Metropolitan Authority  
Instiut d'Urbanisme Ile-de-France (IAU-Idf)
- **Jan DREWS**  
Berlin-Brandenburg - A Joint Metropolitan Authority  
Joint Spatial Planning Departmnet of Berlin-Brandenburg
- **Eric van der KOOIJ**  
City of Amsterdam - A cooperative Metropolitan area  
Physical Planning Department, City of Amsterdam



## Metropolitan Dimension - City of Moscow Plan Competition

- **Alberto LEBORIERO AMARO**  
Member of the judging panel  
President of METREX
- **Professor Brian EVANS**  
Capital Cities Planning Group (CCPG) for the  
"City in the Forest" winning entry



Work life balance at the Burrell

# Proceedings

Speakers and delegates



Reception at the City Chambers



Alberto Leboeiro and Klaus Kunzmann



GCVSDPA Convener Curran and Stuart Tait



Forbes Barron



Graeme Purves

## METREX Glasgow Spring 2013 Conference





Scotland and Glasgow Forum



Vincent Goodstadt and speakers



Juliane Kürschner



Metropolitan Dimension Forum



Klaus Kunzmann



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Douglas Gordon



A break at the Burrell



Martine Leotard



Peter Austin



Eric van der Kooij

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Brian Evans



Jan Drews



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Burrell guide and Johannes Wingendorf



Jakob Richter and Kurt Mittringer

**At the Burrell Collection**