

# Habitat + Housing Seminar

TU Masters in Urban Management

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**(Tram M2, M4)**

## Content

1. id22: Institute for Creative Sustainability  
experimentcity, WOHNPORTAL, EXPERIMENTDAYS, experimentcity europe  
<http://www.experimentdays.de/>  
<http://www.wohnportal-berlin.de/>  
experimentcity sustainable development criteria + best practices  
Creative + innovative  
Democracy + participation in practice  
Socially equitable + committed  
Economically viable + innovative  
Ecological + healthy  
Creative Sustainability Tours Berlin  
<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Creative-Sustainability-TOURS-BERLIN/106569842723436>
- 2 Berlin Sustainable Development: Local Agenda 21  
<http://www.stadtentwicklung.berlin.de/agenda21/>  
Sustainable Urban Development Cultures  
Social Housing Cultures  
Berlin: strengths and weaknesses with respect to social housing cultures
3. IBA Berlin (Internationale Bau-Ausstellung). process, structures, ideas. 1957, 1987, 2020  
<http://www.stadtentwicklung.berlin.de/staedtebau/baukultur/iba/>
4. incremental housing (successive housing, informal, illegal, do-it-yourself, DIY, etc.)  
exchange and comparison as well as development of ideas and concepts regarding  
incremental housing, in the context of the IBA Berlin 2020  
<http://web.mit.edu/incrementalhousing/>  
<http://www.spatialagency.net/database/john.turner>

## Goals + Objectives

1. Learn about and exchange ideas and information regarding sustainable development and sustainable housing.
2. Learn about and exchange ideas and information regarding “incremental housing” especially between Berlin and the home cities of the TU Urban Management participants.
2. Develop an idea for an experimental, sustainable, participatory and “incremental housing” concept for the Berlin IBA 2020.

Students will divide into two or three small groups in order to discuss and begin to define an “incremental housing” concept for a part of the area of the former Tempelhof airport. This is a “real exercise”, which id22 is going to be working on with the Berlin Department for Urban Development and Tempelhof planners.

Students will gain inspiration from best practices presented to them during the seminar, incorporating new ideas in their plans for Tempelhof. The groups will be given time during the seminar to work on their plans, with final short presentations given on Thursday afternoon utilizing Powerpoint slides showing their ideas as well as photographs of similar example projects.

The plans should represent an understanding of the experimentcity sustainable development criteria, including affordable housing options, with a focus on a participatory development process. Experimental and innovative examples will be encouraged. Ecological sustainability with the incorporation of environmental technologies and energy efficiency will also be an important criterion. Students should work with a time dimension with an implementation process in the context of the IBA over at least a 10 year period, with the involvement of local people, experts and future residents.

What is transferable between Berlin and the areas of the world where the students are from?

The student proposals could decide to use a model or approach based in or related to another city or region in the world. This could mean a proposal to transfer experiences from other world cities to Berlin in the course of the IBA.

## Schedule

### Tuesday July 5

**10.00 Meeting at the id22 office.** Introductory presentation and discussion concerning sustainable urban development in Berlin, with students giving short, personal definitions of their understandings of sustainability. Presentation of sustainable housing and the experiences of id22, with a review of relevant best practice examples of ecological, social and affordable housing projects.

**11.45-12.00** – Break

**12.00-13.00** – Introduction and discussion of incremental housing

**13.00-14.00** – Introduction and discussion of the IBA: process-orientation. Housing projects.

**14.00-15.00** – Lunch. Travel to the “Zusammenarbeiter”. <http://www.zusammenarbeiter.net/>

**15.00-16.30** – Discussion with the Zusammenarbeiter. Architects for cooperative, incremental and sustainable housing.

### Wednesday July 6

**10.00 Meeting at the id22 office.** Divide into WGs.

WGs meet to discuss the exercise, begin research and develop strategy at id22 offices.

**11.30-12.30** – Lunch break

**12.30-13.30** – Short (5 minute) presentations from WGs outlining their ideas and plans, with input from the rest of the group.

**13.30-15.00** – WGs meet to do research, discuss and further develop ideas as well as prepare final presentations.

**15.00—16.00** Travel to Tempelhof.

**16.00—** Tempelhof Tour

**20.00** – IBA Summer Party at Flughafen Tempelhof. (optional)

[http://www.stadtentwicklung.berlin.de/staedtebau/baukultur/iba/download/Einladung\\_IBA\\_Sommerfest.pdf](http://www.stadtentwicklung.berlin.de/staedtebau/baukultur/iba/download/Einladung_IBA_Sommerfest.pdf)

### Thursday July 7

**10.00 Meeting at the id22 office.**

WGs work to finalize their plans and prepare their final presentations.

**12.00-13.00** – Lunch break

**13.00-16.00** – Final presentations with discussions and feedback. To conclude the seminar, a closing party will take place on the roof terrace (weather permitting) with barbecue and discussions evaluating and reflecting on the seminar.

## Grading

50% - Participation (attendance, discussions, groupwork)

50% - Main exercise (individual contributions, groupwork, final presentation)



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