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EDITORIAL

For a better private renting system: learning from ignored geographies

I dare say we are all interested, at least tangentially, in the readjustment of the private renting sector (PRS) in the current context of housing financialisation or assetisation (the two not to be confused).

It has been established that the PRS has become a structural mechanism generator of inequalities of wealth, health and wellbeing. Dominant discourses refer to economic, moral and emotive structures of tenant exploitation which led the economic action of the global, institutional or the traditional, local landlords. To tame down exploitation, government have (re)-regulated the action of landlords, either minimally (e.g. safety and minimal standards) or more substantially (e.g. rent regulation). But the PRS remains a 'landlord-market' where landlords have discretion to discriminate eco-nomically or against a certain social background as they base their decisions to rent by, and are allowed to ask for proofs of employment/salary, credit and renting histories, and the like.

However, these arguments are commonly made in relation to the geographies of the developed world, which by population quota is only a Minority World. For myself, I was curious to see the state of the matter in the Majority World, to which in my view the post-communist states belong.

My empirical focus was Romania, where I collected 114 online qualitative questionnaires and 40 visual-elicitation interviews with tenants and landlords. Theoretically, I was not prepared for what my findings depict: a tenant-market!

In what follows I reflect on the "social vibe" of the tenant/landlord relationship in a tenantmarket, depict a few outcomes of current practices and briefly conclude how such a market has been constructed over the last 30 years. We know that policy transfers are complex matters, but can the West learn anything from Romania, or Romania from the West? To this, my answer will be tentatively yes.

Can you imagine a PRS in which tenants are NOT required to provide proofs of their employment status, salary, bank statements, credit checks, migration-status, recommendations from prior landlords, guarantors, etc.? Such practices are socially unacceptable in Romania – all one needs to rent is an ID card (or passport). Tenants are obviously and vocally against such practices, justifying their futility by labour-markets being changeable, salaries nonreflective of true income, and one's right to GDPR-privacy. But most landlords also find such practices truly unacceptable:

I would not like to ask my tenants for proofs of employment or salary as I would not like to be asked myself either, it is much too intrusive, it is wrong, it's their life, it is too private. No tenant would accept such demands, anyway, they would just go for the next property (single mother aged 36, large city, 3 properties)

On the one hand, the quote above indicates that such checks are morally 'wrong' but on the other, it also hints at the fact that tenants have market power: if required to present such proofs, "they would just go for the next property". Obviously, a lack of tenant checks makes outright economic discrimination in accessing the PRS less likely – and this might be a lesson for the West to learn or at least an option for debate.

Lack of any formal tenants' checks means that the "social vibe" of the first tenant/landlord encounter becomes the guiding intuition on which a decision to rent is made, by both land-lords and tenants:

Initial trust comes during the first viewing based exclusively on flair, being able to tell if the person is sincere or is trying to fool you with lot of talk, seeing if what they say corresponds to the profile emanating through their body language, how they check the appliances (single male aged 62, city, 1-property).

Intuition, vibe, instinct and the like are not to be derided: the sociology of risk and relational theories of risks now accept that expert risk assessments are often flawed and too abstract to be relevant in everyday life. But would such 'classifying' practices lead to 'soft' discrimina-

tion by socially or randomly stigmatized categories, such as ethnicity, age, gender? This appears not to be the case. As tenants tend to 'visit' tens of properties online and a few inperson before making their offer while landlords tend to accept the first willing tenant, it appears that the competition for tenants is stronger than the competition for properties. This is particularly and unintuitively true in larger cities, as my data show.

Evictions and rent increases/levels are matters of hot activism and regulatory debates. No or minimal regulation exist in Romania, hence landlords can do more or less what they please. Yet, I found that eviction is rare and bar one case, universally led by 'legitimate reasons' of landlords' selling the property or moving in. Across a cumulative number of 200 tenancies experienced by my 73 tenant-respondents, and 179 concluded by my 38 landlord-respondents, 17 and 8 cases of eviction were mentioned (i.e. 8.5% and 4.4% respectively). Long-term or open-ended contract are appreciated by landlords, commonly triggering rent discounts.

Rent increases are rarely asked during tenancies or asked after many years of fixed rent (in two cases, the rent was increased after 4 years). In terms of rent levels, two out of three surveyed respondents paid very affordable rents but the remaining third paid more than 30% of their income, some out of choice and others for lack of choice. Indeed, the PRS shows the highest (43%) housing cost overburden, much higher than in other tenures – and this is a matter for serious worry.

My final comment addresses the subject of housing quality and sense of home. I illustrate this with a set of photos (Figure 1). Despite landlords facing higher risks in absence of tenants' check, they strive to offer good housing quality, including for being more competitive in the market as they stated during interviews. Only 12% of tenants thought their rented property was of poor quality and 74% felt fully at home.

Overall, mutual trust was high: 64% of tenants trusted their landlord and 54% of landlords trusted their tenant. This is remarkable given that Romania is a low-trust country, the most trusted institution being the church (by 64% of the Romanian population).



Conclusions

The PRS seems to me and to my participants to work fairly well in Romania. The fact that a tenant-market seems to occur because supply exceeds demand would please economists and free-market ideologists. Caution is however needed in that the Romanian tenant-market needed 30 years to develop through slow but continuous addition to the housing stock; a huge population decline, particularly through emigration; and increased economic affluence. Even though, rent levels overburden many tenants.

What lessons can the West learn from Romania? If they want to stop discrimination by landlord discretion, a bold measure of making tenants' checks illegal would be a step in the right direction. What lesson can Romania learn from the West? As the sector remains expensive for many, the Romanian government should introduce renting assistance to support those financially overburdened but also those who did not even dare to access it, having remained in parental homes in places lacking economic opportunities. Additionally, social housing is much needed but sadly I believe there is no ideological appetite for it in society or policy-circles.

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COORDINATION COMMITTEE NEWS

Coordination Committee meetings

Results of the online meeting on 22 March 2024

New Housing Researchers seminar evaluation

The CC evaluated the 3rd New Housing Researchers seminar. You can find the outcome on page 12. The Coordination Committee considered the event a success and is looking forward to the 4th edition which will take place in March 2025.

New Working Group

A new working group Gender & Housing has been granted the In Preparation status for the next two years. Its coordinators are Claire Hancock, Saila-Maria Saaristo, Chloe Salembier and Lidewij Tummers.

ENHR 2026 in Oslo

Oslo Metropolitan University – Norwegian Social Research (NOVA) will organise the ENHR conference on 30 June – 3 July 2026. Local Organising Committee chair is Hans Christian Sadlie, who will join the Coordination Committee for the next two years.

Financial overview for 2023

The financial overview for 2023 has been approved by the CC and will be presented to the General Assembly in August this year for final approvement.

2024 Elections: Call for nominations to the ENHR Coordination Committee

The ENHR Election Committee and the ENHR Secretariat invite you to nominate candidates for the ENHR Coordination Committee (CC). The purpose of this call for nomination is to identify candidates who will stand for election for the ENHR Coordination Committee. Ten seats will be open for the 2024 election. You will be elected for four years.

According to the ENHR Bylaws there should be between 12 and 17 members on the Coordination Committee. The composition of the present CC is as follows:

The aim is to achieve a balanced composition, enabling diversity in terms of discipline, country and gender. The elections will take place June, July and August 2024. The results will be announced during the General Assembly (30 August) at the 2024 conference in Delft (The Netherlands).

There are a number of important things to consider when nominating a candidate to the Coordination Committee.

- It is important to have as many candidates as possible to ensure a fair and representative election. You are therefore urged to consider standing for the election. If so, please find an ENHR member who will nominate you. You are also urged to think about nominating another ENHR member. If so, please contact that ENHR member to find out whether he or she would be willing to be a candidate.
- It is important to remember that members of the Coordination Committee are expected to attend, at their own expense, a number of meetings during the year and to be active at ENHR conferences.

How to nominate

ENHR members can nominate a candidate or be nominated as a candidate provided that they have paid their membership fee for 2024. Members from associate institutional members and members from outside Europe are excluded.

Please fill in the nomination form on the ENHR website (<u>www.enhr.net/about-</u> <u>enhr/coordination-committee</u>) with the names of nominee and nominator and send the form, together with a short biographical sketch (\pm 200 words) and a photo, to the ENHR Office (<u>ENHR@tudelft.nl</u>).

The biographical sketch should contain the candidate's academic position, activities in the Network, a maximum of three key publications, issues that you feel are important for the future of the Network and a motivation.

The deadline for receipt of nominations (including the biographical sketch and photo) is **30 April 2024, by midnight CET**.

Voting

The nominees will be introduced to all ENHR members by e-mail and on the ENHR website shortly after **30 April 2024** and in Newsletter 2. All ENHR members except associate institutional members and members from outside Europe are allowed to vote, provided they have paid their membership fee for 2024. We will inform you about how to vote in a later stage.

Election Committee

The Election Committee consists of three ENHR members, supported by the ENHR Secretariat.

- Julie Lawson
 Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology (RMIT), Melbourne, AUSTRALIA
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- Gerard van Bortel Delft University of Technology, Faculty of Architecture and the Built Environment, Delft, THE NETHERLANDS
- António Duarte Santos Autonoma University of Lisbon, PORTUGAL
 Or contact the ENHR Secretariat at ENHR@tudelft.nl.

ENHR CONFERENCES

ENHR Conference 2024

Making Housing Systems work: Evidence and Solutions 26-30 August 2024 Delft University of Technology, Faculty of Architecture and the Built Environment The Netherlands www.enhr2024.com

Conference news

New Housing Researchers Colloquium

The New Housing Researchers Colloquium on Monday 26 August will include two guest speakers

Dr. Brian Doucet (Canada Research Chair and Associate Professor, University of Waterloo, School of Planning)

Brian Doucet will host an interactive session on writing for media and public audiences. During this session, participants will engage in a hands-on workshop where they will learn to craft a compelling pitch for their research. Brian will provide guidance on structuring pitches effectively and will emphasize the importance of communicating the relevance of one's research to broader audiences. Attendees will gain insights into how to clearly articulate the significance of their work and make it accessible to diverse audiences.

Prof. Mark Stephens (School of Social & Political Sciences, University of Glasgow, UK)

Mark Stephens will present a brief discussion on academic writing and publishing. Mark will delve into various aspects of the publishing process, including how to write an article effectively, the journey from submission to publication, selecting suitable journals for publication, and managing the peer review process. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and gain practical advice on navigating the complexities of academic publishing, ensuring that their research reaches the right audience and makes a meaningful impact in their field.

Full programme

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08:00 – 09:00	Registration NHRC + QR-posters
09:00 - 09:15	Welcome
09:15 – 10:45	NHRC Workshop 1
10:45 – 11:15	Coffee break
11:15 – 12:15	Guest speaker Brian Doucet on research & media
12:15 – 13.15	Lunch + QR-posters
13.15 – 14.45	NHRC Workshop 2
14:45 – 15:30	Guest speaker Mark Stephens on getting published
15.30 – 17.00	NHRCWorkshop 3
17:30 – 18:30	Excursion: Railway zone Delft
18:30 –	Dinner

Bengt Turner Award 2024



Aim of the Bengt Turner Award

The aim of the Bengt Turner Award is to encourage new researchers to write research papers on housing and urban issues linked to the topics of the ENHR Working Groups and to keep alive the memory of Bengt Turner, one of the founders of ENHR and its first chairman from 1988 to 2007.

The Bengt Turner Award will be a best ENHR annual conference paper award for those colleagues who are eligible.

Eligibility

Papers should

- be linked to ENHR Working Group topics
- contain original research not more than three years old
- be on a suitable academic/professional level
- add a new perspective to their topic, containing original ideas
- be written in English
- normally not exceed 9,000 words including all text, figures and tables. Diagrams and tables usually occupy the equivalent of 300 words each, and you should allow for this in your total. Legal-related papers are excluded from this limit.

Submit one paper only.

Authors should

- submit one paper only
- indicate that the paper has been written by him/her alone and that an eventual publication of the winning paper will be only with the one author
- be less than 41 years old, OR be registered as a PhD student OR have received a PhD in the preceding three years
- be based in an European country, or have carried out research in Europe
- be registered for the annual ENHR Conference.

The content of the Bengt Turner Award

The winner of the Bengt Turner Award will receive:

- a waiver of next year's conference fee by the conference organizer
- advice from senior researchers about submitting the paper for publication in a journal that is relevant
- a special certificate in a decorative frame
- a one-year membership subscription to ENHR and
- a report about the winner in the ENHR Newsletter.

One can only win the award once.

Evaluation

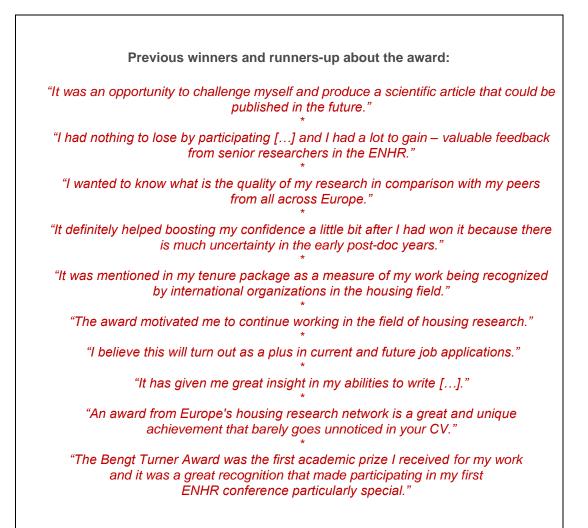
The evaluation criteria roughly amount to whether a paper would be sent out to referees of a scientific journal. The ENHR Coordination Committee determines whether a Bengt Turner Award is handed out.

How to apply

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Apply for the Award when uploading your paper on the 2024 conference website (deadline 15 July 2024).

Bengt Turner Award 2024



New housing researchers online seminar 2024

Evaluation third online seminar for new housing researchers 11-12 March 2024

A total of 63 abstracts were sent in, 10 more compared to last year. Additionally a handful participated without presenting. The seminar offered 26 sessions chaired by 17 volunteers.

Figures

Shortly after the online seminar a small questionnaire was sent to the participants to which half of them responded.

Most participants were from Sweden (20%), Belgium, Germany and Spain (10%), Italy, Portugal and the USA (7%).

Half of the participants were aged between 20-30 years. Most of them were first-year (35%) and thirdyear PhD students (32%), primarily in architecture, geography, sociology and urban planning. 78% were first-time participants.

56% were drawn to te seminar by colleagues and supervisors. 28% read about it in the Newsletter. All respondents would participate again in similar events and recommend this seminar.

Suggestions for improvement

Several participants came up with suggestions and requests.

Networking

Encourage people to link themselves to ENHR in LinkedIn, which makes it easier to find people. Some group somewhere or something for people to interact all throughout the year and not just during the seminars and not just with individual people you found. Maybe create a working group for students too?

Workshops

Maybe some skills workshops during ENHR early careers day. For instance, a lecture/seminar on giving good conference presentations could be very useful.

Breaks between sessions

The schedule was very intense but planned breaks would be useful for everyone's concentration. There was always interesting sessions going on so I didn't want to skip one to rest my brain for a bit. The event was great! But I would recommend some buffer minutes / Zoom rooms so that one session overflowing doesn't affect other sessions!

Presentation and discussion time

Presentation time (10 minutes) seems to be in order: 10 minutes. Discussion time could be extended a few more minutes (now 15 minutes).

The Coordination Committee and organisers of the seminar will look into all suggestions. At the same time the participants are invited to take up some of the suggestions.

The Coordination Committee considered the event a success and is looking forward to the 4th edition which will take place in March 2025.

Comments from participants of the first seminar:

"It was a great introduction to the research communication process"

"I found the discussion period to be helpful for my own research and I also enjoyed engaging with other presenters regarding their work"

"Learning to present our work briefly is a valuable skill"

"Connecting with the other participants was an appreciated and unexpected outcome of the discussion period"

"I would recommend it to my colleagues as a good opportunity to present their work without a lot of pressure"

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ENHR WORKING GROUPS

Basic information concerning the aims, activities and membership of the various Working Groups is available on the ENHR website at <u>www.enhr.net</u>. In this section the Working Groups report on recent activities such as seminars (to be) held, books to be published, etc. The names and addresses of the coordinators are given at the end of the Newsletter in the Who is Who? section. Members of ENHR are encouraged to contact these persons in order to join a particular Working Group or to obtain further information about its activities.

WG Crises, Conflict and Recovery

Galyna Sukhomud and Pavlo Fedoriv (coordinators)

The WG Crises, Conflict and Recovery powers on at the Delft 2024 Conference

At the 2024 conference in Delft focused on housing systems, the WG Crises, Conflict and Recovery provides a unique opportunity for all researchers to contribute research in progress, papers, and presentations of topics relevant to this broad theme and that of the WG in a collaborative, constructive and discursive atmosphere. We encourage joint applications of partner universities with countries which are currently at war, such as Ukraine, for further research collaborations, networking and event organisation to extend the efforts of this WG network and its many interesting and valuable activities.

Panorama Ukraine project

The WG activities will contribute to the overall long-term project of Panorama Ukraine. Panorama Ukraine is an inspiring vision for Ukraine's reconstruction formulating long-term goals creates a coherent context and direction for short-term actions. As such, it can also connect different initiatives coming from a wide range of different directions in a series of events like workshops and symposia.

The Dutch Ministry of Education, Culture and Science (OCW) has decided to support this project with a substantial grant to The Architecture Biennale Rotterdam (IABR), Ukraine Netherlands Urban Network (UNUN) the Dutch Board of Government Advisors (CRa) and others. We work tightly with local initiatives, and municipalities to ensure support of their reconstruction plans. For this WG, we work with the NGO New Housing Policy, Ukrainian ENHR members and RMIT in Australia (Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology). The WG activities at the ENHR conference at TU Delft are an important puzzle piece in the Panorama Ukraine. It will integrate valuable academic perspectives into the overall project and serve as a platform for knowledge exchange, and constructive debate and keep the momentum.

Context of war and crises

The central theme of the Crises, Conflict and Recovery working group is very close to the key focus of the ENHR 2024 conference this year - housing system and reform. Our WG aims to provide a focus on housing systems, homes, and neighbourhoods in the context of war and crises. It is a network for research exchange and collaborations that was established in 2022 in the context of the ongoing Russian war in Ukraine and the need to share experiences of post-war reconstruction in other countries, regions and territories inside or near Europe. The WG is very productive and enables European researchers and policy developers, from a range of disciplines and fields to come together and share information, analyse and debate the process of crises, reform, and recovery.

Past and ongoing activities

The WG welcomes new additional members to join its activities and publications. Since its establishment, it has made a strong contribution to research, policy reform and international efforts relating to housing system reforms, with a focus on affordable, inclusive and sustainable outcomes – particularly in partnership and leadership of Ukrainian researchers. In February 2023, the event Rebuilding a Place to Call Home was hosted by the National Environmental Assessment Agency (PBL) in The Hague, involving Ukrainian national and local government officials, European Commission, international financial institutions and European housing policy experts. It was attended by over 400 participants, in person and online. The results of this event were synthesized and elaborated in an report in Ukrainian and English, which was launched by the Netherlands Embassy in Kyiv, and responded to by key stakeholders.



Left: P2P visit 'Affordable rental System for Ukraine' organised by the International Organisation for Migration and the European Investment Bank. Right: Working group papers and materials.

WG participants have also collaborated with TU Delft, RMIT University and the Ukrainian Netherlands Urban Network (UNUN) in the development and delivery of the online course Tools for Recovery in May - July 2023. Members of the group also contributed to the New European Bauhaus Capacity Building course for municipalities on housing and land development in Ukraine.

At the ENHR Meeting in Lodz, 6 policy research papers were presented, compiled, and circulated to inform Ukraine's recovery plans, amongst housing policy working groups of the Ukrainian government, the European Commission DG NEAR expanded Ukraine Service, and also international organisations such as the Technical Working Group of Housing and Land Policy.

WG members have been actively sharing relevant research findings, for example via presentations of Rebuilding a Place to Call Home in Brussels at the European Commission, in Poland at the ENHR conference and UNESCO Reconstruction Museum in Warsaw and also events hosted by the University of Warsaw.

One of the research papers concerning the Common Good Housing Law, was also presented at an event hosted by Vienna House in Brussels, October 2023, involving key European MPs, development banks and senior EC officials.

A further international symposium was organised by New Housing Policy and ENHR WG members in Lviv on The Role of Land Policy in Recovery, attracting further research, including a major report on access to Adequate Housing and Needs Based Capital Investment applying International Organisation of Migration survey data.

Further research was also conducted on the affordability and access to the housing of the IDPs in Ivano-Frankivsk area and preparation of a peer review publication is also underway, following presentation at the London School of Economics and Political Science and Freie Universität Berlin.

There is also a new project on the research on rental housing in Lviv and advocacy of tenants commencing in 2024.

Also in Vienna, January 2024, the WG contributed to the organisation of a very significant international field trip and symposium in Vienna on the design of an affordable housing system which is fit for purpose to respond to Ukraine's housing need. This event brought together senior ministries responsible for housing policy, urban planning and investment in housing programs as well as 12 cities across Ukraine. The European Commission, present at the event, made clear the opportunity presented by the Ukraine Facility of 50 billion euro and stressed the importance of Ukraine rising to the challenge and leaving no one behind in efforts to build back better, in an inclusive and sustainable way. Grants, loans, guarantees and technical assistance were also offered to Ukraine, along the main lines of recommendations made in the Rebuilding a Place to Call Home report: legislative reform for a strong social and affordable housing sector, a housing agency to guide its development, a financial intermediary to channel investment and also technical assistance to support municipalities to take on their responsibilities in housing.

At this moment the WG has made direct contributions to the development of the Ukraine Plan (housing section) and the development of the Law on Basics of Housing principles (Ukraine) (drafting) and continues to participate in the development of the section of housing policy in the Building Code of Ukraine (under development).

WG Housing and Living Conditions of Ageing Populations

Marianne Abramsson and Blanca Deusdad (coordinators)

Call for papers for a special issue on de-institutionalization of nursing homes and other housing models: from community to service-needs and person-centered care

The aim of this special issue is to explore the different models of housing for aging well, from the de-institutionalization of nursing homes and assisted living facilities, to innovative models of senior housing, such as co-housing, service housing, retirement villages, and ageing-inplace. We are looking for challenges, advantages and disadvantages from a research perspective that goes beyond political discourses and focuses on good and innovative practices in Western societies and around the world.

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Important dates

June 2024: abstracts deadline (in line with the ENHR 2024 conference where the workshop Housing and Living Conditions of Ageing Populations will be organised). Submitted papers will be considered for a Special Issue of a high-ranking journal on housing and ageing studies. Final publication is planned for April 2025 (approx.).

Description and aim of the special issue

Demographic change in Europe and around the world is leading to what has come to be known as the "care crisis" or "care wave". The positive increase in life expectancy is accompanied by low birth rates. This poses a potential challenge for our increasingly ageing societies as the baby boom generation will be getting older. This increase in care needs is putting pressure on welfare systems and an exponential increase in home care and other healthcare service models, such as nursing homes and homes for older adults. Total institutions in Goffman's analyses are not totally eradicated when we refer to long-term care living environments for older adults. Aging-in-place policies implemented in Nordic countries and Central Europe, together with informal care in Mediterranean countries with familiaristic welfare models, are displacing the need for assisted living in nursing homes in

the later period of life with high care needs. However, situations of loneliness among older adults and the need for ageing in communities in very neoliberal Western societies are opening the debate to the need for new models of long-term care residential environment for aging in company and in better conditions, as well as a form of cost-efficiency.

The working group will also host a workshop at the Delft 2024 conference: <u>www.enhr2024.com/workshops/</u>.

WG Housing, Migration and Family Dynamics

Rory Coulter, Isabel Palomares-Linares and Tomáš Hoření Samec (coordinators)

Dr Michael Thomas (Statistics Norway) has announced that he will be stepping down from co-ordinating the Housing, Migration and Family Dynamics Working Group in 2024. Michael co-founded the Working Group in 2014 and has since been a regular contributor to ENHR annual conferences and to various other WG activities. Since joining Statistics Norway, Michael's work has gradually moved away from housing research, and the heavy commitments of his role mean he is no longer able to devote as much time as he'd like to WG activities. The other WG convenors – Rory Coulter, Isabel Palomares-Linares and Tomáš Hoření Samec – are very grateful for Michael's input and extend their thanks for his years of service.

WG Residential Context of Health

Emma Baker and Terry Hartig (coordinators)

The Residential Context of Health Working Group plans to convene its next workshop at the ENHR Conference in Delft, the Netherlands (26-30 August 2024). This will be the latest in a long-running series of workshops convened by the Working Group, starting with the Gävle conference in 2000. Suitable papers would fit with a variety of broad themes, such as the effect of physical housing variables on mental and physical health; the role of behavioral, social, and cultural factors in shaping relations between housing and health; the ways in which housing policy can be coordinated with other social welfare policies to more effectively pursue public health objectives; universal design and other strategies for mitigating effects of individuals' functional limitations in the residential context; the delivery of health care services in the home; gardens, nearby parks and urban green spaces as health resources; housing stress in relation to loan delinquency or falling housing prices; health consequences of forced moves from homes (due to war, climate change); and individual and social consequences of insecure tenure and concomitant residential instability. Most of the papers we have previously discussed in our workshops over the years have been empirical reports, but purely theoretical and methodological papers are also welcome. The Delft workshop will follow the format used in our previous workshops: draft manuscripts submitted before the meeting, assigned discussants, and maximal time for discussion.

If you want to participate in the Delft workshop, have other questions about the Working Group, and/or want to have your address added to the mailing list for the Working Group, please contact its co-conveners, Terry Hartig (<u>terry.hartig@ibf.uu.se</u>) and Emma Baker (<u>emma.baker@adelaide.edu.au</u>).

WG Homeownership and Globalisation

Justin Kadi and Richard Ronald (coordinators)

WG Homeownership and Globalisation will be starting a new project later this year called Transformations in Housing and Intergenerational Contracts in Europe (THICE) (Initiative: Challenges for Europe, call: Challenges and Potentials for Europe: Intergenerational Futures) and funded by the Volkswagen Foundation.

The project comes out of some ideas developed within the ENHR working group. The focus on intergenerational support for housing and the generational contract has been a recurring theme of research within our WG over the last decade. We have drawn on much of this research and experience in writing and pitching our proposal to the Volkswagen Foundation.

Most of the members of the THICE team have been involved with the Working Group for several years although we will be including all the team from now on. We will also be recruiting 4 new PhDs and a post doc in the coming months. The total budget for the project is 1.3 million euros and will run from September 2024 to September 2028. Participants will be:

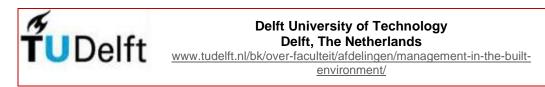
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- Rowan Arundel University of Amsterdam, Netherlands;
- Ricardo Duque-Calvache Universidad de Granada, Spain;
- Stephan Köppe University College Dublin, Ireland.

Project description

This project aims to deepen the understanding of how housing wealth is reshaping intergenerational relationships in Europe and to explore socially just solutions. Increasing housing inequalities with growing concentrations of wealth among homeowners, especially older ones, and diminishing access to affordable housing. especially among younger adults have affected European societies in recent decades. At the same time, there has been a revival of family dependencies and intergenerational transfers that sustain welfare and life-course transitions for younger generations. Intergenerational support, both financial and in kind, has increasingly centred on housing with, for example, rising adult co-residence with parents and family assistance for people buying their first property. This marks a profound shift in the intergenerational contract. To investigate this restructuring of the intergenerational contract, the project applies a comparative, crossdisciplinary approach that integrates quantitative and qualitative analyses. While work packages 1 to 4 focus on analysing the institutional foundations of intergenerational relations; the varying meanings and practices of family and kinship and their intersection with housing and household formation: the intergenerational support and its outcomes; and the inequalities between and within generations in the context of housing; the final work package will develop visions of best practices for Intergenerational Housing Futures.

NEWS FROM MEMBERS

Institutional members



Summer School Sustainable Housing Transformation from a European Perspective 7-12 July 2024, Faculty of Architecture and the Built Environment, TU Delft

Housing is of key importance for societies. It drives the economy and is a key issue for sustainable urban and regional development in growing as well as declining areas. The energy crisis and energy transition have a huge impact on human behaviour relating to energy, housing, and the built environment. The summer school will give insight into the European perspective on the development of a sustainable housing stock, and speeding up energy transition goals, by presenting European and national goals, policies, regulations, assessment tools, process innovations, behavioural, institutional and management approaches. It will shed light on emerging economies and institutions in a similar context.

Scope

This Summer School is organised as in-depth lectures covering a variety of perspectives on sustainable housing transformation, workshops, site visit and a tender game for the renovation of a housing complex.

The lectures are professors working at the TU Delft and are all well-known experts in their field. We will visit the to be renovated housing complex in Schiedam on Monday. In the tender game groups of participants are challenged to design the technical, social, environmental and financial strategies to make sure that the housing complex will be as sustainable as possible, has future value for existing and new residents, and acts as an exemplary role for market diffusion.

The Summer School is organized by:

- Dr. Ad Straub, Public clients in construction, Coordinator Summer School
- Professor Henk Visscher, Housing Quality and Process Innovation, director Urban Energy Institute
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Registration

We invite Bachelor students in their final year, Master students, PhDs and professionals with background knowledge and research interests on sustainable housing and the built environment. The Summer School aims to attract international participants in the field of sustainable housing and the built environment. Previous summer schools have successfully attracted worldwide participants.

Your application should include a convincing motivation letter, a short CV (max. 2 pages) and a summary of research interests (max. 1 page). Please submit your application by 26 April 2024 to the Department of Management in the Built Environment (mbe-bk@tudelft.nl). Due to the limited place available, the selection will be given priority to the eligible applicants who make the earlier submission. Upon approval of the application, please register within 10 working days to guarantee your place at the Summer School.

For application submissions, registration and other practical questions, please contact our <u>secretariat</u>. For further questions regarding the content of the program, please contact <u>dr. Ad</u> <u>Straub</u> (coordinator).

Download the concept programme here.



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Housing in the centre

The housing sector has found itself in a perfect storm.

Lack of public investment, uncertainty for non for profit and profit developers, pandemic situation, war, immigration, inflation, increase of prices, lack of workers and a huge injection of capital thru the European Union funds. And also some bad political/ideological choices... The result was a shortage of new construction and the rise of prices all over Europe with increase homelessness and no light in the end of the tunnel, i.e., no quick solution for more affordable homes for the European families.

This social tragedy has brought the housing sector in the centre of the political debate. Finally, even if unfortunately. So, now the opportunity for debate and concrete actions at national and European level has arrived. Let's seize it. In June we'll have the European Elections which will bring a new Parliament and a new Commission. Ald the renewed opportunity to highlight housing policies, making them a social pillar of the EU and giving the sector conditions to develop and provide solutions for the increasing demand for housing. Academia – and specially the ENHR researchers who have a tremendous amount of work to carry out – has a significant role to play in this change of paradigm. With all the data collected and all the scientific evidence, EP's and Commissioners have all the tools to make their decisions based on science rather than on political or ideological factors. They can also fall back on experienced practitioners like those gathered in Housing Europe who run social housing for more than 150 years with success models and visions of a sustainable future. All together we can shape the future of housing in Europe and be a lighthouse for all other countries outside Europe. Let's do it.

João Calvalhosa, Head of Gebalis Strategic Planning Office



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Forthcoming events/conference calls/calendar input

We run free online seminars with a variety of Heriot Watt and wider speakers on issues effecting homelessness, housing, poverty and exclusion – details are at <u>Seminars – I-SPHERE (hw.ac.uk)</u> where you can also find recordings of previous presentations.

Major new studies - with features in media

Our major study for the Joseph Rowntree Foundation defines and charts destitution levels in the UK: <u>Destitution in the UK 2023 – I-SPHERE (hw.ac.uk)</u>. It has featured across UK news in print, online, TV and radio (a few of many examples below) and is shaping debate on extreme poverty in the UK.

• Channel 4 - 24 October 2023 19:25:46

- <u>1m children in most extreme poverty as figure almost trebles since 2017 report | The</u> Independent
- See some of the debate on our X (formerly Twitter) feed @ISPHERE_HWU.

Our Homeless Monitor Series for Crisis, charts levels of homelessness, the root causes and solutions across the component countries in the UK. <u>The Homelessness Monitor – I-SPHERE (hw.ac.uk)</u>. There has recently been outrage following the Home Secretary's comments that rough sleeping in the UK is a 'life choice' and the sector is pulling together to continue to raise awareness of the real situation facing the rising number of people facing homelessness in the UK, with our Monitor series providing vital evidence. <u>Braverman claims</u> rough sleeping is 'lifestyle choice' amid plans to crack down on street tents | ITV News.

I-SPHERE, Heriot Watt's work with the Institute of Global Homelessness including our international comparative evaluation study of A Place to Call Home initiative was shortlisted for THE Awards, International Collaboration of the year and the Presidents medal from the Market Research Society, winners to be announced in December. You can find out more about our international evaluation on approaches to ending street homelessness at Ending <u>Street Homelessness – I-SPHERE (hw.ac.uk)</u>



International Research Forum on Multi-Owned Properties (IFMOP) www.housing.urv.cat/ifmop2024/



The 7th International Research Forum on Multi-Owned Properties (IFMOP) is scheduled to take place from 15-17 May at the Centre Tarraconense el Seminari in Tarragona, Spain. Organized by the City Futures Research Centre (UNSW) and the UNESCO Housing Chair (URV), the forum aims to bring together global researchers to discuss various multi-owned properties. This edition marks the first occurrence in Europe after successful events in South Africa, Australia, and Canada.

The forum invites paper proposals related to multi-owned properties from academics and practitioners, emphasizing systematic research findings. Topics cover diverse disciplines such as architecture, built environment, construction studies, design, economics, environmental science, law/policy, management, property and real estate studies, social science, tourism studies and sociology. The format encourages collective engagement, with selected papers presented in-person to the entire group, allowing for substantive group discussions.

Keynote speaker Professor Amnon Lehavi from Reichman University will be featured. Registration is now open. Online attendance is not available for 2024. Further details can be found at <u>www.eventbrite.com.au/e/2024-international-research-forum-on-multi-owned-</u> properties-tickets-775283763607.

The European Housing Studies Course (EHS) and book

Since September 2020 the UNESCO Housing Chair of University Rovira i Virgili has been coordinating the Erasmus plus project "Bridging the gap in housing studies" (Housing+) (<u>www.housingplus.eu</u>), which aims to improve academic training at European level for professionals, policy makers, academics and operators in general involved in the housing and real estate sector. We are developing six interrelated training materials. Among these materials, we highlight the online course: the European Housing Studies Course (EHS) (<u>www.housingstudies.eu</u>). One outcome of the Project is the European Housing Studies book, just released in November 2023.

European Housing Studies is a unique book of its kind. It is the result of the work undertaken by 31 multidisciplinary housing experts from 11 European countries over three years. Each contributor has provided expert and condensed information and commentary on a variety of topics in structured chapters that range from the theory of housing studies and the right to housing to the development, access and loss of housing. It also contains sections devoted to housing as a market, housing professionals, housing and technology and the interactions between housing, city, territory and environment.



The book has been designed to be used as both a stand-alone handbook for those interested in a single volume containing all the current key topics related to housing, and as a coursebook linked to the online European Housing Studies course, which has been designed by the Housing+ consortium and co-funded by the European Union. See the table of contents of the book and of the EHS <u>here</u>.



University of Glasgow www.gla.ac.uk/

A View from Housing – Contributions of Housing Research to Social and Behavioural Theory

A workshop at the University of Glasgow, Scotland, 23-24 May 2024 Organised by: Critical Housing Analysis and the ENHR Working Group on Comparative Housing Policy

Organisers: Martin Lux, Editor, Critical Housing Analysis Hannu Ruonavaara, Guest Editor, Critical Housing Analysis Mark Stephens, ENHR WG on Comparative Housing Policy In a book titled Housing and Social Theory (1992), the famous sociologist of housing, Jim Kemeny, urged housing researchers to "draw more extensively from theories and debates in social sciences and to contribute to such debates with studies of housing" (p. 17). He was thinking of debates that had a broader scope than just housing issues. Arguably housing issues are at the core of many general social issues from new forms of stratification to intergenerational relations.

In the 30 years that have passed from the publication of Kemeny's book, housing researchers have increasingly drawn inspiration from new theoretical currents in social and behavioural sciences ranging from actor-network theory to practice theory and 'new materialism', to take some examples from the sociological side of the field. Housing research has been receiving from general debates and trends but what can it give back in return? This is the topic of a special issue of the journal Critical Housing Analysis to be proceeded by a workshop held jointly with the ENHR Working Group on Comparative Housing Policy. The aim is to examine how insights from housing can provide new perspectives to theoretical questions that are broader in scope than just housing.

PhD news

This section is open to all PhDs to present and discuss their work, promote activities, exchange information, announce defence dates and more.

Dutch Rubicon grant for Bo Li

TU Delft researcher Bo Li has received a Rubicon grant from the Dutch NWO for his research on financialisation of rental markets.

The grant will allow him to gain two years of research experience at a foreign institution. Bo Li received his PhD in 2023 at TU Delft (The Netherlands) with his dissertation <u>'Towards a</u> Better-Functioning Private Rented Sector in Metropolitan China'.

Experience abroad is an important step in many scientists' careers. The <u>programme</u> offers promising scientists this opportunity. This year's coveted funding has been awarded to 14 young researchers. <u>Read more.</u>

The Dutch Research Council (NWO) is one of the most important science funding bodies in the Netherlands and realises quality and innovation in science. Each year, NWO invests almost 1 billion euros in curiosity-driven research, research related to societal challenges and research infrastructure.

Other news

Forced eviction - Logics, practices and vulnerabilities in the Context of De-Renting Processes in Times of Multiple Crisis

ENHR member Sarah Klosterkamp (Goethe University Frankfurt am Main, Human Geography Department) was granted the 'Forced eviction - Logics, practices and vulnerabilities in the Context of De-Renting Processes in Times of Multiple Crisis' project by the German Research Foundation (DFG), timeframe 2023-2025.

Over the past decade, extensive research has documented a worldwide housing crisis. This crisis has recently been exacerbated by the pandemic and associated wage shortfalls, the international impact of the Russian war of aggression on Ukraine, rising ancillary housing costs, and an inflationary devaluation of net wages in quantitative (too little housing), economic (too high net cold rents), and legal terms (withdrawal of the *Mietpreisbremse*). These current developments and observations are the starting point of the project, which examines the logic of forced evictions and de-renting processes. This study will show how housing is taken away from unwelcome tenants by law and to what extent these processes are guided by maintenance or valorization logics on the part of those who own or manage real estate.

In doing so, it focuses on hitherto underexposed areas of critical urban research, which has recently been predominantly centered on an explanation of gentrification and displacement processes, their underlying regulatory and political-economic mechanisms, neoliberal urban (sub)policies, the crisis of rural areas, and the increasing financialization of the real estate market. Thus far, little attention has been paid to institutional-legal instances that translate various urban displacement mechanisms and exclusions in the context of affordable housing into legal practice. The project empirically examines this, on the one hand, at the judges' desks in the courtrooms of German district courts, in which those who, due to rent increases after modernization, crisis-related payment arrears, or loss of wages after a long illness, receive their legally effective eviction titles and thereby are confronted with those who, as landlords, approve of or force this process of displacement, or who, as judges, could mitigate or prevent it. The project also examines the portfolio management and profitability strategies of the parties who own and manage real estate by conducting interviews with interest groups and visiting real estate fairs and workshops for landlords, where these logics and de-renting practices can be traced and understood.

The project will thereby provide important insights into the crucial question of who are the people being evicted on a daily basis, which circumstances are guiding these processes, and how, in the context of bureaucracies and in times of multiple crises, structural inequalities and vulnerabilities in housing are further exacerbated along the categories of age, gender, income, and nationality.

Our Housing dataset and book

The Australian Centre for Housing Research (University of Adelaide) together with several other universities produced a national housing data set and accompanying book.

Housing offers much more than just shelter. It provides space for raising families, for leisure and rest, and increasingly, it doubles as a workspace. Housing also impacts our mental and physical health due to factors including cold, mould, poorly managed maintenance issues, unaffordability, and inequality.

For all its importance, we know surprisingly little about the homes Australians live in, beyond sales prices, construction materials and population averages. In 2022, the Australian Research Council (ARC), acknowledging this data gap, funded a collaboration of six

universities to develop a multi-year national housing data infrastructure. The data contained in this infrastructure gives us a view 'behind the front door' of 22,550 Australian homes across tenure, income and all Australian States and Territories.



To celebrate the public release of this important national <u>dataset</u> we invited 20 leading housing commentators and researchers to explore the data and contribute short reflections on the state of Australian housing, homes and households. The collection of insights contained in this <u>book</u> give us a valuable and broad view of housing in contemporary Australia – across the experience of renting and home ownership, the generation of wealth and inequality, the ability of our housing to keep us warm, safe and healthy, and emerging housing trends, such as rent-vesting and the rise of share housing.

Book details: Baker, E. and Morey, C. (Eds.) (2023). Our Housing Australia. The Australian Centre for Housing Research. University of Adelaide. ISBN 978-0-646-88975-7, DOI 10.25909/24657108, 48 p.

NEW BOOKS / STUDIES

CONTESTED LEGACIES. CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES ON POSTWAR MODERN HOUSING

Edited by Andrea Migotto and Martino Tattara

In the light of the current housing and environmental crisis and increasing social inequalities, there is a growing sense of urgency for CONTESTED architecture as a discipline to engage with the transformation in LEGACIES housing evident in the postwar period. Rather than conceiving this task as a technical matter, this book proposes to reassess the conditions and legacy of this large and ubiquitous housing stock. By foregrounding the mismatch between constructed cultural, social and ideological narratives and the everyday realities of residents, the contributors rediscover some of the tropes of modern housing, such as the impact of technological innovations or the often overlooked character of open spaces, and unveil the intellectual and practical tools that paved the way for this large-scale construction. Contested Legacies advances a new notion of heritage which, rather than seeking to preserve the past, sets outs to actively transform what exists to meet current societal needs. It offers an 'atlas' of exemplary cases, each illustrating a defining yet often neglected aspect of modern postwar housing, from which present engagement and active reflection can grow. Ebook available in Open Access. https://lup.be/collections/category-architecture-and-urbanplanning/products/220604 THE POTENTIAL OF SMALL, LOW- CARBON, ZERO- ENERGY HOUSING: A MULTIDIMENSIONAL APPROACH By Cynthia Souaid. The Potential of Small, This thesis examines the potential of small. low-carbon, (near) zero-Low-Carbon, Zero-Energy energy dwellings as a solution that would both address sustainability lousing challenges and answer to the growing housing shortage in North-West Europe. It adopts a multidimensional outlook that encompasses institutional, social and technical aspects surrounding the dwellings. The institutional aspect is addressed through an investigation of financial, legislative, technical and cultural barriers to the implementation and uptake of small, low-carbon, zero-energy dwellings. A context specific approach is adopted taking into account contextual peculiarities for the formulation of more refined policy suggestions. The social dimension is addressed first from the perspective of market supply through an investigation of the perceptions of housing professionals. and smaller dwelling sizes. Lastly, the technical dimension is addressed through conducting a partial life cycle assessment that focuses on the embodied carbon of the dwellings. Both downsizing and the use of low-carbon materials such as timber are investigated as embodied carbon reduction strategies. 2024, 268 p., ISBN 978 94 6366 810 1, A+BE | Architecture and the **Built Environment 3**

https://doi.org/10.7480/abe.2024.03.7393

THE ROUTLEDGE HANDBOOK OF HOUSING AND WELFARE *Edited by Martin Grander and Mark Stephens*

Although housing scholars generally agree that housing should be regarded as part of such a wider welfare system, it has proven hard to pinpoint and operationalize its position within it. Moreover, the relationship became considerably more complex as a result of the period of intense globalization and the integration of national housing finance systems into world finance markets. Furthermore, welfare systems reflect economic as well as social models and these, too, have changed as countries have responded to globalization, and traditional ideological frameworks have become less distinct. Thus, there is a need to redefine the connection between housing and welfare in light of changes in both welfare and housing systems. By investigating the current situation and historical development of housing provision and welfare distribution in different contexts worldwide, this book aims to contribute to an expanded understanding of housing and welfare.

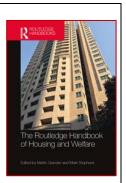
The book brings together 25 international housing researchers covering 15 countries worldwide. With such a global approach, the book aims to provide an updated empirical picture and analysis of different housing systems and their connection to the welfare regime in different national contexts. The book moves beyond the usual focus on affordable housing provision in the context of welldeveloped welfare regimes and includes countries from the global south, incorporating regions where it is debatable whether there are welfare systems present at all. Thus, the book aims to provide the reader with an insight into the large differences in housing provision in international contexts with large differences regarding how the welfare state is comprised. From these insights, the editors (both ENHR members) reflect on whether regime approaches continue to provide a suitable theoretical framework for understanding the relationship between housing and the wider welfare state.

2024, 358 p., ISBN 9781032074337,

https://www.routledge.com/The-Routledge-Handbook-of-Housingand-Welfare/Grander-Stephens/p/book/9781032074337

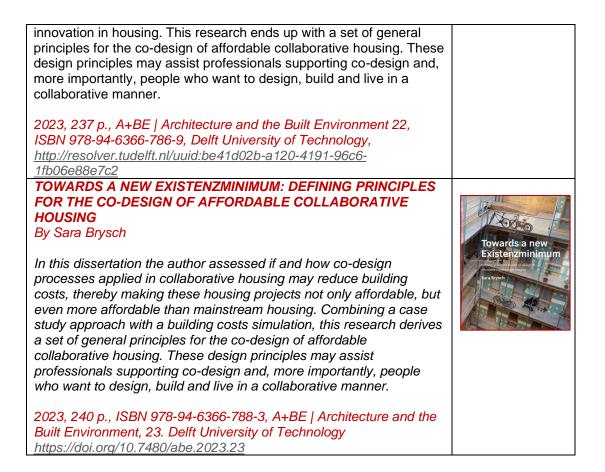
TOWARDS A CIRCULAR BUILDING INDUSTRY THROUGH DIGITALISATION: EXPLORING HOW DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES CAN HELP NARROW, SLOW, CLOSE, AND REGENERATE THE LOOPS IN SOCIAL HOUSING PRACTICE By Sultan Cetin

This thesis brings forward the design dimension, and, more specifically, co-design, to the study of housing affordability. Codesign occurs when end-users and professionals work together towards a common goal. It is a process often applied in collaborative housing, an umbrella concept encompassing different housing forms based on collective self-organisation and collaboration, where residents choose to share certain spaces. Findings indicate that codesign decisions based on a collective self-redefinition of Existenzminimum (minimum dwelling) affect the housing layout and contribute to reduce building costs. By conceptualising housing design through the lenses of affordability, this thesis highlights the understated role of architectural design and building costs as key components in the study and provision of affordable housing solutions; and enriches the existing body of knowledge on affordable collaborative housing. Moreover, it draws attention to the way some outdated building regulations and standards hamper design





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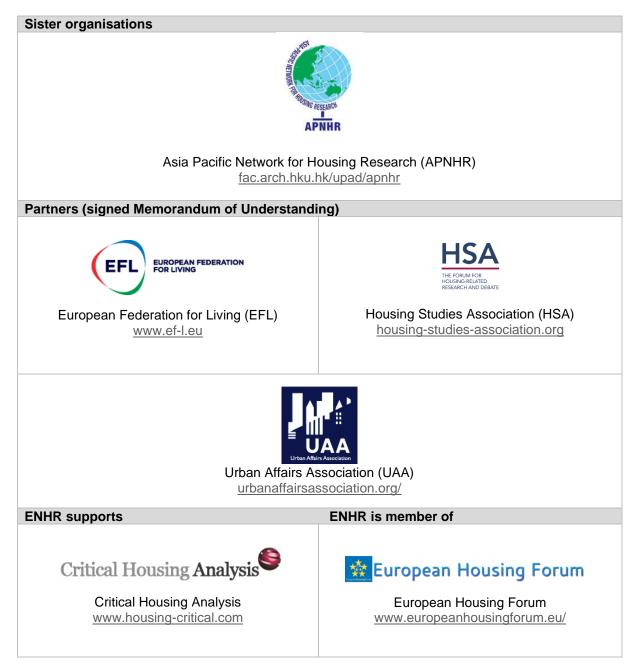
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