Researching Transport Inequalities in Global South Cities

New Interactive Bi-weekly Webinar Series

STARTS 21st MAY 2020 at 2:00pm BST on ZOOM

(then every second Thursday until 30th July 2020)

Conveners: Professor Karen Lucas, INTALInC, Dr. Daniel Oviedo, UCL (UK), Dr. Rafael Pereira, Ipea (Brazil) with international guest speakers and moderated discussions

The broad topic of transport-related social exclusion in different geographical contexts has gained lots of traction over the past few years, increasingly with a focus on meeting the needs of low-income settlements and vulnerable populations in African, Asian and Latin American cities. Researchers from various disciplines are investigating how mobility and accessibility intertwine with complex issues of transport and urban planning, informality, social, economic and health inequalities, and sustainability transitions. Yet there remains multiple theoretical, methodological, conceptual and practical challenges to achieving urban transport systems that meet the travel needs of vulnerable populations in most Global South Cities.

The webinar series brings together an international community of established and early career scholars working in this diverse and vibrant research domain to share their recent work and experiences, and to reflect on the key challenges and opportunities we face under six themes:

1. Access to opportunities;
2. Informality;
3. Transitions;
4. Health;
5. Gender;
6. Age.

The webinars will cover a wide range of topics and broadly, how they relate to issues of social exclusion, transport poverty, social and health inequalities in the Global South. They will be broadcast live bi-weekly on Thursdays, starting from 21st May 2020 (see calendar for full programme of speakers). In times of physical distancing when so many conferences are being cancelled or postponed, this is a timely opportunity to bring together and build upon our existing research networks virtually. The series will also be a good opportunity for researchers to share information about open calls for papers and new research collaborations and projects.

Please do join us,
Karen, Daniel and Rafael
Outline series plan

Event structure

› On registration, you will be sent a link to join the webinar
› Each webinar will last for approximately 1.5 hours
› Presenters will speak for 15 minutes each
› Webinars will conclude with 15 minutes of moderated discussion

ACCESS TO OPPORTUNITIES
Thursday 21st May 2020 at 2:00pm BST

Session moderator: Professor Karen Lucas, INTALInC

Welcome and introduction to INTALInC and the webinar series
Professor Karen Lucas

Accessibility and social equity in Africa: from research to policy and practice
Dr. Daniel Oviedo, INTALInC LAC and University College, London (UK)

The Access to Opportunities project in Brazil
Dr. Rafael Pereira, Institute for Applied Economic Research (Brazil)

INFORMALITY
Thursday 4th June 2020 at 2:00pm BST

Session Moderator: Dr. Daniel Oviedo, University College, London (UK)

Transport systems and the urban shape of the informal economy: Examining accessibility and informality in the Bogota region
Nicolas Oviedo, Inter-American Development Bank

Integrating formal and informal transit into one hybrid passenger transport system in Lagos, Nigeria
Louis Alcorn, University of Texas at Austin (USA)

Labor and Informality in Transport in Global South Cities
Jackie Klopp, Columbia University (USA)

SUSTAINABLE TRANSITIONS
Thursday 18th June 2020 at 2:00pm BST

Session Moderator: Dr Rafael Pereira, Institute for Applied Economic Research (Brazil)

Cars and Global South cities in a post-COVID world
Professor James Evans, Manchester University (UK)

Transitions to sustainable urban mobility in sub-Saharan Africa
Dr. Clemence Cavioli, University College, London (UK)

To be confirmed
Patricia Lynn Scholl, Inter-American Development Bank (USA)
HEALTH ISSUES
Thursday 2nd July 2020 at 2:00pm BST
Session moderator: Dario Hidalgo, World Resources Institute (USA)
How transport enables (or hinders) access to health: Evidence from low-income communities in São Paulo, Brazil
Dr. Thiago Guimarães, World Resources Institute (Brazil)
Transport in Cape Town—How do informal settlements compare?
Professor Marianne Vanderschuren, University of Cape Town (South Africa)
Traffic-related air pollution and human health: Perspectives from the Global South
Dr. Haneen Khreis, Texas A&M University (USA)

GENDER ISSUES
Thursday 16th July 2020 at 2:00pm BST
Session moderator: Professor Tim Schwanen, Transport Studies Unit, University of Oxford (UK)
Understanding Women, Development and Transport through exploring what, who, where, when, why and how in the middle- and low income countries
Dr. Tanu Priya Uteng, TOI Institute of Transport Economics (Norway)
Gendered perception of activity-based travel characteristics in Barrio San Eugenio, Santiago
Dr. Beatriz Mella Lira, Bus Rapid Transport Centre of Excellence (Chile)
Walking and talking with low-income women in Dhaka City
Dr. Sharmin Nasrin, University of Asia Pacific (Bangladesh)

AGE AND DISABILITY ISSUES
Thursday 30th July 2020 at 2:00pm BST
Session moderator: Dr. Steve Cinderby, Stockholm Environment Institute, University of York (UK)
How young women’s mobility and transport experiences shape their employment opportunities: Reflections from ongoing research in three African cities
Professor Gina Porter, University of Durham (UK)
In the eyes of a child: An assessment of personal safety on routes to school in Cape Coast (a secondary city) in Ghana
Dr. Regina Obilie Amoako-Sakyi, University of Cape Coast (Ghana)
Exploring the challenges of transport for people with disabilities in Global South cities
Professor Anna Lawson, University of Leeds