TWO-DAY CONFERENCE
Cities in Transformation: Processes, Problems and Policies

St Catharine's College, University of Cambridge, 14-15 July 2016

Major cities everywhere are facing an unprecedented set of economic, social, demographic and environmental challenges. How cities are responding to these challenges is thus a key issue. **The particular focus of this conference is on the ways cities deal with economic change over time.** Some cities have grown rapidly, while others have lagged behind. Some cities have managed to adapt and 'reinvent' themselves and undergo economic resurgentce, while others have declined. This conference is concerned with charting these different experiences, with identifying the factors, processes and institutions that shape different outcomes, and with the scope for and role of policy interventions that might assist cities to prosper in a rapidly changing context. The conference is hosted by the research team of a major project on 'Structural Transformation, Adaptability and City Economic Evolutions', which is part of the ESRC's Programme on Urban Transformations, (see [http://www.geog.cam.ac.uk/research/projects/cityevolutions](http://www.geog.cam.ac.uk/research/projects/cityevolutions)).

**The programme** will include
- Patterns of city change, transformation and resilience in the UK, USA, Germany, and China
- The role of economic structure, innovation, institutions and governance in shaping growth and adaptability in cities
- Examination of the consequences of transformation for labour markets and social inequality
- The policy challenge, including the case for fiscal devolution and the impact of fiscal austerity
- Panel sessions with academics and policy makers

**Speakers, Session Chairs and Panellists** will include
- David Bailey, Gillian Bristow (TBC), Andrew Carter, Yang Chen, Margaret Cowell (TBC), Riccardo Crescenzi, Emil Evenhuis, Francesca Froy, Ben Gardiner, Harry Garretsen, Amy Glasmeier, Ian Gordon, Anne Green, Ming He, Lewis Herbert, Paul Hildreth, John Holden, Robert Huggins, Richard Kenny, Erika Kispeter, Mark Kleinman, Raffaele Lagravinese, Neil Lee, Danny MacKinnon, Phil McCann, Charles van Marrewijk, Ron Martin, Peter O'Brien, Andrew Paterson, Andy Pike, Andrés Rodríguez-Pose, Ron Schramm, James Simmie, Paul Sisson, Paul Swinney, Peter Sunley, Piers Thompson, John Tomaney, Pete Tyler, Rüdiger Wink.
Register for the conference via http://www.caths.cam.ac.uk/cities-transformation-processes-problems-and-policies

Registration and Conference, two-day ticket, 14-15 July - early bird fee (until 31st May): £170; standard fee (after 31st May): £190 (fee includes refreshments and lunch, but not the reception and gala dinner).

Student Rate, two-day ticket, 14-15 July, at Student Rate - £90.

Reception and Gala Dinner, 14 July - additional £70.

Accommodation. A limited number of en-suite rooms in College are available at £63.00 per night, also bookable via the link above.