

AESOP COMPLEXITY WORKING GROUP

Stockholm Meeting

26-27th February 2010
Stockholm Resilience Centre



Resilient Cities

The [Stockholm Resilience Centre](#) was established in January 2007 as a world-leading transdisciplinary research centre that advances the understanding of the governance of complex social-ecological systems. It is a joint initiative between Stockholm University, the Stockholm Environment Institute and the Beijer International Institute of Ecological Economics at The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences.

All research and international collaboration at the Stockholm Resilience Centre is grounded in the understanding that

- Society and nature represent truly interdependent social-ecological systems
- Social-ecological systems are complex adaptive systems
- Cross scale and dynamic interactions represent new challenges for governance and management in relation to interdependent social-ecological systems and ecosystem services

Researchers from SRC recently led the international collaboration on the seminal [Planetary Boundaries](#) publication published in Nature which for the first time proposes 9 planetary scale bio-physical boundaries which define a 'safe-operating space' for humanity at the global scale. They argue that three of these have already been exceeded. This represents an enormous challenge for cities and urban governance and highlights the importance of complexity based urban and planning research.

The Stockholm Workshop will provide an opportunity to hear from leading resilience and complexity scholars, learn about an international research institute organized deliberatively on complex adaptive system principles, hear presentations on urban planning and complexity topics, share many conversations and enjoy Stockholm, the first European Green Capital 2010.

Welcome to the Stockholm Workshop of the AESOP Complexity Working Group! The Urban Theme of the Stockholm Resilience Centre looks forward to hosting you all!

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PROGRAM

Friday 26th February

12:00 - 13:30 – *Welcome Lunch at Kräftan*
(RSVP required for booking, cost approx 90SEK)
13:30 - 17:00 – **SESSION 1**

Welcome to the Stockholm Resilience Centre
Key note speaker – Juval Portugali
Individual Presentations

18.30- late *Workshop Dinner*
(RSVP required for booking, cost TBC SEK + drinks)

Saturday 27th February

9.00 – 12.30 – **SESSION 2**

Key note speaker – Hendrik Wagenaar
Individual Presentations
Conclusion

12.30 – 13:30 – *Lunch*
(RSVP required for booking, cost approx 90SEK)

14.00 – 17.00 – *Guided tour of the Stockholm National
Urban Park and/or Hammerby Sjöstad (Optional)*
(note mode of transport is walking and public transport)

Contact Cathy Wilkinson by email or on +46 730 293017 with any queries.
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