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# THE NEXT FRONTIER: DIVERSITY, INCLUSIVITY AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL

Our cities have pulled back from the brink in the aftermath of the global pandemic and are now on the road to renewal. There have been many lessons for urban planners, architects, policymakers and public health professionals to absorb from the coronavirus crisis that also apply to planetary health action – none more so than the need to make our cities more inclusive, diverse, and equitable to create opportunities for all.

The extent to which the pandemic truly tested social and health resilience has led to growing international resolve to create a new urban future in which issues of health equity, social value, diversity, access and opportunity in our cities and communities are addressed, enabling health-creating societies to flourish.

Smart technology, science and innovation will be influential in shaping this future. So will new approaches to urban design, planning and governance that support individuals and communities to become more productive, resilient and self-sufficient in response to the climate crisis. Culture and the arts will also be vital in deepening social connectivity and improving mental health and wellbeing in this new urban landscape.

Far-reaching research and theoretical models will be needed to underpin an evidence-based approach in parallel with a celebration of innovative practice and entrepreneurship, as our cities are redesigned to embrace the circular economy and planetary health principles and actions that also underpin health equity.

Definitions of inclusive design have broadened in response to recent events, shifting from a focus on the rights of older and disabled people in relation to the built environment to embrace race and gender, technological exclusion and economic fairness in relation to work, services and systems. Inclusive health has similarly advanced in addressing health disparities with its emphasis on two main principles: equitable access and full participation.

## The future city: ESG as a lever for inclusive health

This is an exciting time to fast-forward to reimagine and remake the city for all. 'The Next Frontier' will see new amalgams of expertise and knowledge addressing the vital questions around inclusion and diversity in the professional disciplines in design, technology, urbanism and health.

Business organisations will lean into the city as part of their ESG (environmental, social and governance) commitments. Architects

and engineers will plan for the complexity that comes with including a wider range of needs and desires. Public health experts will pilot fresh approaches and technology providers will seize the moment.

For our 2022 Congress, we're interested in receiving proposals for papers, posters and workshops in the spheres of practice, research and policy that capture key elements of this dynamic picture. We want to look at inclusive ideas and initiatives in relation to such topics as homes and neighbourhoods, work and workplace, public space and urban design, climate and community, transport and mobility, and smart cities and healthcare services.

Previous editions of the Healthy City Design International Congress have looked at creating a shared culture of wellness, reducing health inequalities, building resilience in cities, and dealing with the impact of Covid-19. In 2022, we pull all of these themes together and ask: how can designing for inclusion, diversity and social equity support healthier lives and human flourishing in a thriving and sustainable urban realm?

The Healthy City Design International Congress and Exhibition 2022 will take place at the Royal College of Physicians, London, UK, on 10-11 October 2022, and be streamed online in our virtual event platform.

It is organised by SALUS Global Knowledge Exchange in collaboration with the Helen Hamlyn Centre for Design, Royal College of Art, an internationally renowned research hub in the field of inclusive design.

## New ideas, practice and research

We're delighted to invite you to contribute and participate in the exchange of knowledge in designing for and valuing diversity, inclusivity and opportunity for all in the post-pandemic world. We welcome abstracts from individuals and organisations all over the world, including papers and projects that address issues in low-, middle- and high-income countries, and from across the disciplinary spectrum at the intersection of research, practice and policy.

Please submit your abstracts by **11 May 2022 at [www.healthycitydesign.global](http://www.healthycitydesign.global)**. For guidance on shaping your submission, we recommend viewing videos of the many inspirational talks from previous congresses, which you will find in the 'Talks' section of our online community at [www.salus.global/journal](http://www.salus.global/journal).



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# CALL FOR PAPERS

Healthy City Design 2022 (HCD 2022) International Congress & Exhibition is a global forum for the exchange of knowledge on the research, policy and practice of designing healthy and sustainable cities and communities.

**Returning to our spiritual home at the Royal College of Physicians, London – for the first time since the pandemic – the Congress will be both in-person and streamed virtually online.**

Attendees will develop their knowledge of the political, social and economic context, new policy directions, emerging practice, latest research findings, and skills and core competencies in designing, planning and commissioning city services, technology, infrastructure and developing real estate that improve people and planetary health. We are delighted to invite you to submit abstracts on the following core themes.

## Plenary theme

**The next frontier: Diversity, inclusivity and opportunity for all**

## Congress streams

- **Homes and neighbourhoods:** Setting new design standards that remove barriers to healthier lifestyles and redress health inequalities
- **Urban design, placemaking and the public realm:** Urban strategies to improve social cohesion, health equity and economic opportunity for all
- **Transport and mobility:** Smart and integrated low-carbon transport systems, hubs and infrastructure that promote inclusive communities
- **Smart cities and urban tech:** Scaling digital technology in urban systems to create a low-carbon future that is more liveable, safer and inclusive
- **Planetary health:** Transforming cities to enhance natural ecosystems, mitigate climate change, create health co-benefits, and progress the SDGs
- **Work and workplace:** Designing new workplace models across diverse settings to sustainably enhance health, wellbeing, purpose and productivity
- **Population health:** Multisectoral partnering across the local health economy to improve health planning and deliver place-based care

Authors are invited to submit abstracts of 400 words in English for both 'virtual' and 'in person' presentation in the following formats: a) themed paper; b) poster; c) workshop. The abstract should clearly state the background, purpose, methods, results and conclusions/implications. Presentations in all formats can be focused on research, practice or theory. For detailed abstract guidelines, visit [www.healthycitydesign.global](http://www.healthycitydesign.global).

Each presentation will be delivered to an interdisciplinary audience. All abstracts will be subject to a rigorous blind peer-review process by the HCD 2022 programme committee. A carefully selected number will be chosen for oral presentation with a wider number presented as posters.

Proposals must be submitted using the abstract proposal form, available at [www.healthycitydesign.global](http://www.healthycitydesign.global) and MUST include the following:

- a) presentation type (themed paper, poster or workshop);
- b) knowledge focus (research, practice or theory);
- c) congress theme (plenary or stream);
- d) title, author(s), organisational affiliation, and three keywords.

The abstracts of the papers selected for presentation will be published in the Final Programme. **Please note:** the author(s) and/or co-author(s) are required to register and pay the registration fee to participate and present the paper at the Congress. While the Congress will include virtual streaming online for delegates unable to attend in person, we would encourage all speakers – and as many delegates as possible – to attend 'in person', to benefit from the extensive networking, discussions and other event features that physical attendance provides.

Full edited versions of the papers and videos may be published on the SALUS Global Knowledge Exchange at [www.salus.global](http://www.salus.global) following the Congress. No paper will be published without the author's consent. Papers can also be submitted to *Cities & Health Journal* for peer-review publication, edited by programme committee member Marcus Grant. For more information, visit: [www.healthycitydesign.global](http://www.healthycitydesign.global)

More information on the conference venue/virtual event platform and the registration fee will be available at [www.healthycitydesign.global](http://www.healthycitydesign.global) in July 2022. All abstracts should be submitted online by 11 May and all enquiries by e-mail should be sent to the following address:

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## Who should submit a paper and attend?

The Healthy City Design 2022 International Congress & Exhibition attracts the world's leading interdisciplinary policy thinkers, researchers and practitioners. The Congress will be of interest to:

- City governance and policy
- Urban designers and planners
- Real estate developers
- Commercial property investors
- Sustainability practitioners
- Academics and researchers
- Architects and designers
- Engineers and surveyors
- Health/social care planners
- Public health practitioners
- Occupational therapists
- Business/technology leaders
- Senior public servants
- Environmental groups
- Economists
- House builders

# PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

## 22 March 2022

Launch and announcement of Call for Papers

## 11 May 2022

Deadline for HCD 2022 Congress abstracts

## July 2022

Launch of the Preliminary Programme

## September 2022

Deadline for early bird / speaker registration and manuscripts

## Monday 10 October 2022

08.00-19.00: HCD 2022 Congress & Exhibition

## Tuesday 11 October 2022

08.00-19.00: HCD 2022 Congress & Exhibition





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