

Lunchbox seminar series

Nathan

How Planners see Planning Education: The Attitudes of Professionals to Planning Education and Academia

Abstract:

In this seminar, Paul will present the results of a recent survey of planning professionals in Australia and New Zealand. This was inspired by a similar survey of European planners undertaken by Kunzmann et al and was designed to explore attitudes to planning education, views of the big challenges facing planning professionals and the nature of the relationship between planners working in academic settings with those working public and private practice. The survey data allows interesting comparisons to be drawn between the views of planners working in different settings as well as gender and age variations.

Biography:

Paul Burton is Professor of Urban Management and Planning and Director of the Cities Research Institute at Griffith University. He trained and worked as a town planner in London in the 1970s before joining the School for Advanced Urban Studies at the University of Bristol to carry out research on the redevelopment of London's Docklands for his PhD. Paul worked on a wide variety of projects as a postdoctoral researcher, including analysing living conditions and the nature of youth homelessness in European cities, numerous evaluations of urban policy measures and a review of the machinery of government for the states of Guernsey. He chaired the Bristol Democracy Commission, which recommended the introduction of a directly elected mayor for the city. Since moving to Australia in 2007 Paul has researched the contribution of citizens' juries to public policy making, the capacity to achieve greater integration in regional policy-making and the everyday professional lives of planners.



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