



# Holistic Living Space Design

From the mechanization of life to the enlivening of the built environment

## International Conference at the Bauhaus in Dessau September 27 - 29, 2019

The Bauhaus was founded 100 years ago with the aim of achieving a better design of the built environment. Gradually, this resulted in an industrial orientation and geometric design. In the course of the twentieth century however, the downsides of this one-sided, rational approach became visible in the form of alienation of the human being from his environment and of destruction of nature.

One hundred years later, we face new, existential challenges: How can we reconcile our material needs and advanced industrialization with the natural processes of life? How can spaces for social interaction be realized and how can we create an architectural design that is not only functional or ecological, but also lively and inspiring?

In all these fields, the increasing digitalization plays a major role. How can we deal with it in such a way that it becomes a means by which we can promote and enrich the natural, social and inner life of the human being?

The conference addresses architects, consultants, clients and students. It will be predominantly German spoken. For foreign guests, there will be a simultaneous translation of lectures and some workshops and guided tours in English.

## Program

### Friday, September 27

14.00 – Additional program: Visit to the new Bauhaus Museum, guided tours of the Master Houses or round the settlement Törten in Dessau.

19.00 – Gathering in the Bauhaus building

19.30 – Opening

19.45 – Jolanthe Kugler: Visions and Influences of the Bauhaus in the 20th century

20.30 – Pieter van der Ree: Holistic Living Space Design in the 21st Century

21.15 – Musical closing

### Saturday, September 28

09.00 – Musical opening

09.15 – Joachim Eble: Holism in Architecture and in the Planning of Settlements

10.00 – Paul-Gerhard Reeh: Discovering and Shaping the Potential of Transformation

- 10.45 – Coffee break
- 11.15 – Contributions, Workshops and Discussion Groups
- 12.45 – Lunch break
- 14.00 – Contributions, Workshops and Discussion Groups
- 15.30 – Tea break
- 16.00 – Rainer Kroll: Holism through Participation and Interdisciplinarity
- 16.45 – Thomas Rau: Material Matters
- 17.30 – Future-forum with students from different trainings
- 18.15 – Presentation of the jubilee-issue „Holistic Living Space Design“
- 18.30 – Festive conclusion

## **Sunday, September 29**

- 10.00 – Additional program: Visit to the new Bauhaus Museum, choice among the guided tours of the Master Houses, of the settlement of Törten and of the new Ministry of the Environment by Sauerbruch Hutton Architects

### **Workshops, discussion groups and short presentations**

(G=German, E=English)

#### **Morning**

- Joachim Eble: Holism in the Design Process (Discussion group, G)
- Paul Reeh: Discovering and Shaping the Potential of Transformation (Discussion, G)
- Luigi Fiumara: The Tasks of Organic Design Today (Discussion group, G/E)
- Hyco Verhaagen: Participative Design of Open Space (Workshop, G)
- Karl-Dieter Bodack: The Spiritual Roots of the Bauhaus (Presentation, E)
- Ulrike Wendt: Experiencing and Shaping the Qualities of Light (Workshop, G)

#### **Afternoon**

- Wolfgang Güse: Natural Materials and Colours (Discussion group, G)
- Nicolas Schönberger: Experience of Space through Media (Workshop, G)
- Willem-Jan Beeren: Modifications of Space through Art (Workshop, G/E)
- Rainer Kroll: Dialogical Design-Processes (Discussion group, G)
- Lothar Haasis: The Holistic Design-Process (Presentation, E)
- Christian Darr: Dealing with Land and the Right of Building (Discussion group, G)

## **Practical Information**

**Venue:** Bauhaus Dessau, Gropiusallee 38, 06846 Dessau

**Fee for Applications** until August 31: € 100,- concessions € 65,-

**Fee for Applications** after August 31: € 115,- concessions: € 75,-

**Registration and inquiries:** <https://eveeno.com/dessau>

Prices include lunch on Saturday. Excursions are not included.

The conference is an initiative of the International Forum Man and Architecture (Driebergen, NL) in cooperation with the magazine mensch + architektur (Dresden, G) and the Alanus University for Art and Society (Alfter, G)