

## Markus Appenzeller – Architect & Urban Planner

Markus Appenzeller is Director of International Projects at KCAP. A fellow of the German National Merit Foundation and has won several architecture and urban planning competitions. He is a regular guest critic at the AA School of Architecture in London and at the Berlage Institute Rotterdam and is a frequent lecturer at renowned schools and institutes across Europe.

Markus Appenzeller, born in Tübingen, Germany, 1972 and studied law, architecture and urban planning while working for various architecture firms in Germany & the US. From 2004 - 2006 for the Office for Metropolitan Architecture (OMA) in Rotterdam.

In 2006 he joined KCAP where he was appointed director of international projects in 2008 and became member of the executive board of KCAP. Markus leads large scale international projects including the Olympic Legacy Masterplan Framework London, the Strategic Masterplan Perm (Russia), Lille Ville 3000 City development vision (France) and urban projects in China such as masterplans for South of Olympic Park Beijing and CBD, Keqiao Urban Ballet in Shaoxing, the Creative Gateway Shenzhen and Z9 office tower in Beijing.

**Publication:** “City Regeneration Today” TOPOS Magazine 11-73 (2010)

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## Professor Alessandro Balducci – Urban Planner

Alessandro Balducci is the Vice Rector of the Politecnico di Milano, where he teaches Urban Planning and is the director of the International Doctoral Program in Spatial Planning and Urban Development.

Former Head of Department of Architecture and Planning (2001-2008). He has been President of AESOP, the Association of the European Schools of Planning (2001-2004), among the founding members of the European Urban Research Association (EURA) and is currently Chair of the Italian Society of Urbanists (SIU).

As a scholar in the urban studies and planning he has been responsible of European and National research projects; as an academic planner for projects including the Strategic plan of the Province of Milan (2004-2008), and he has been advisor for plans and urban projects in Italy and abroad (Shanghai, Dubai).

He is author/editor of 13 books, and of more than 100 articles and essays in Italian and English.

**Publications:** **Strategic Planning for Contemporary Urban Regions. City of Cities: A Project for Milan.** Ashgate, Farnham UK. Balducci, V. Fedeli, G. Pasqui (2011)

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**Polytechnic of Milan, Italy:** [www.english.polimi.it](http://www.english.polimi.it)

## Professor Edoardo Croci - Economist

Edoardo Croci is Research Director of the institute of economics and policy of energy and environment and Coordinator of the Observatory on environmental communication and information at Bocconi University, Milan, where he teaches Economics of the Environment and Climate Change. He is also Professor of Institutions of Economics at the Milan State University.

Edoardo served as Milan City Deputy Major for Mobility, Transport and Environment, President of the Agency for the Protection of the Environment of Lombardy Region, member of the Board of the Gran Paradiso National Park, Government Sub-commissioner for the wastewater treatment system in Milan, Vicepresident of FEDARENE (European Federation of Regional Energy and Environment Agency), Vicepresident of Italian Agenda 21 Coordination association, member of the Board of Administrators of EnergyLab foundation and member of the Board of Directors of the "Global City Indicators Facility" promoted by the World Bank. Author of several publications in the field of economics of the environment and editorialist of the Corriere della Sera, the main Italian newspaper.

**Publications:** **"A comparative analysis of global city policies in climate change mitigation: London, New York, Milan, Mexico City and Bangkok"** (con S. Melandri e T. Molteni), IEFE working paper n.32, series ISSN 1973-0381, marzo 2010.

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## Anders Hasselager: Senior Policy Advisor

Anders Hasselager is currently a Senior Policy Advisor at the Danish Energy Authority. He also held this position at the Danish Energy Agency, Ministry of Climate & Energy and at Energistyrelsen.

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## **Arch. David Hirsch - Architect**

David Hirsch joined MCA Mario Cucinella Architects in 1999, where he developed a wide professional experience.

For MCA he assumed responsibility on a wide range of projects and competitions at different scales and dimensions, coordinating internal and external teams and directly interfacing with clients, public institutions or private companies.

Over recent years, he has been responsible for projects including the design phase of CSET in Ningbo, China and the architectural supervision during the construction site of the SIEEB (Sino Italy Energy and Efficient Building), in the Tsinghua University campus in Beijing, China.

After two years spent as project leader at David Chipperfield Architects office in Italy, he has now joined again MCA to lead the new office in Milan where he shares overall design responsibility for most projects.

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## **Indy Johar – Architect & Policy Researcher**

Indy Johar is a qualified architect & policy researcher.

He is a director of the global Hub network, co-founder of Hub Makelab – a supportive ecosystem for social startups.

Indy co-founded 00:/ [zer'ò zer'ò] in 2005, a design strategy practice focused on catalysing change in our cities, towns and neighbourhoods, through a fusion of physical and institutional interventions. Projects range from the scale of low-carbon homes, developing a new class of learning institutions, to community led neighbourhood retrofits and 'mass collaborative' community master plans.

Indy has taught and lectured at various institutions from Columbia University New York to Said Business School Oxford.

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## **Richard McCarthy CBE – Senior Civil Servant**

Richard McCarthy has spent the last eight years as Director General, Neighbourhoods (and former DG for Housing and Planning) at the Department for Communities and Local Government. In November 2011, he will take up a new role as Executive Director at Capita Symonds, the property and building services subsidiary of Capita.

Prior to joining Communities and Local Government, Richard McCarthy was the Chief Executive of the Peabody Trust, a major housing association and regeneration agency. He also held senior positions with the Horizon Housing Group, Hyde Housing Association Group and the National Housing Federation, which he chaired from 2000-2003.

He received a CBE in the 2009 New Years Honours for his services to housing and planning.

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## **Dr Evert Meijers - Researcher**

Evert Meijers is a senior researcher in the Department of Urban and Regional Development within the OTB Research Institute for the Built Environment, part of Delft University of Technology in the Netherlands. He studies urban and regional development from a multidisciplinary perspective, combining insights from spatial planning, economic and urban geography, environmental studies and policy sciences. His research pays particular attention to the expanding spatial scope of urban agglomerations.

Globalisation articulates itself spatially in the development of large metropolitan regions that tend to be composed of multiple, strongly functionally related cities. He is particularly fascinated by questions concerning new spatial arrangements in metropolitan areas and the effects on economic and environmental performance, as well as the well-being of citizens.

Much of his research aims to provide empirical findings related to these questions and to translate these findings into empirically underpinned development strategies with a focus on promoting more competitive and attractive urban regions. He leads the development of a European urban knowledge & research agenda on these themes for the European Metropolitan Network Institute (EMI) in The Hague.

He is the author of three books and his work appeared in many leading international journals.

**Publications:** “**Spatial Planning & Policy Integration: Concepts, facilitators and Inhibitors**”  
Planning Policy & Practice (2009)  
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**Delft University, Netherlands: [www.tudelft.nl](http://www.tudelft.nl)**

## **Dr Richard Simmons – Urban Designer / Economist**

Richard Simmons is Visiting Professor of City Design and Regeneration at the University of Greenwich in London, with a doctorate in urban history and urban economics. He has over 30 years experience in town planning, regeneration and urban design. He has led in central and local government, and in development corporations and regeneration companies, as well as serving on the boards of several regeneration partnerships.

Until March 2011 Richard was Chief Executive of the Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment (CABE), the UK government's adviser on architecture, urban design and public space and the world leader in its field.

Before joining CABE, Richard was Director of Development and Environment at Medway Council, a local authority serving 250,000 people in the Thames Gateway growth area east of London, where planning, transportation, environmental issues and regeneration were his principal tasks.

He had previously led a regeneration company in Hackney, East London and, before that, worked for the London Docklands Development Corporation on Canary Wharf and the Royal Docks, then the UK's largest regeneration projects. He started his career as a town planner, initially in county councils and an East London borough, then advising on regeneration in the UK Department of the Environment.

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## **Helle Søjholt – Architect**

Helle Søjholt is a Founding Partner and Managing Director of Gehl Architects.

Helle has extensive international urban design experience on projects in Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Turkey and further afield. Gehl Architects is now leading development activities in the fast-growing cities of developing countries such as China, India, Brazil & Mexico.

Helle has served as a member of the Dublin Urban design Panel, supported the Copenhagen Municipality Public Space Project Forum, served as a panellist / leader / advisor on architectural and master-planning competition juries in Norway, Denmark and Sweden and has teaching experience in both Urban Design Theory and Studio Work. She has been a keynote speaker at a wide range of internationally renowned conferences.

She was awarded the Dreyer Prize of Honour in 2010, for her role in helping to make cities more people-friendly, using the Gehl Architects "Public Space, Public Life" surveys to focus on the human element in urban planning.

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## **Marilyn Taylor – Consultant**

Marilyn Taylor works as an independent consultant specialising in regeneration and neighbourhood planning. She has extensive experience of tackling the problems of deprived urban communities and is committed to working in active partnership and collaboration with local people.

Her most recent report for the Joseph Rowntree Foundation looked at the potential of community-owned assets to support sustainable development in new residential settlements.

Marilyn is a planning enabler for *Design Council CABE*, providing support to their grants programme for design support in neighbourhood planning initiatives. She is also currently writing a guide to localism and neighbourhood planning for the Royal Institute of British Architects.

**Publications:** “Community Infrastructure in New Residential Developments”

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“Responding to Recession”

[www.londoncouncils.gov.uk/capitalambition/resources/publications/respondingtorecession.htm](http://www.londoncouncils.gov.uk/capitalambition/resources/publications/respondingtorecession.htm)

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## **Professor Riki Therivel: Sustainability Consultant**

Professor Riki Therivel is a partner of Levett-Therivel sustainability consultants, a Commissioner with the Infrastructure Planning Commission, and a visiting professor at Oxford Brookes University's Department of Planning.

She specialises in environmental and social impact assessment at the policy and plan level. She has co-authored some key guidance documents on how to implement the European strategic environmental assessment (SEA) and Habitats Directives; has supported a wide range of authorities from the national to the sub-local level in their SEAs; and has written/edited many articles and books on these subjects.

Riki teaches environmental impact assessment and SEA on Oxford Brookes University's MSc courses in Environmental Assessment and Management, and is the 2002-3 recipient of the International Association for Impact Assessment's Individual Award for her contribution to the development of SEA and excellence in teaching and research.

**Publication:** “2011 – The year of living resiliently?”

*TCPA Journal, February 2011*

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## **Dr Ben Wheeler – Research Fellow**

Ben Wheeler is a research fellow with the European Centre for Environment and Human Health, at the Peninsula College of Medicine and Dentistry. Previous research posts have been with the Department of Social Medicine at Bristol, Geography at Sheffield, and Earth Sciences at Victoria University, Wellington, New Zealand.

His main research interest is the interplay between environment, socio-economic status and public health, with particular regard to health inequalities and informing health and environmental policy. He is developing work in a number of areas including wellbeing and outdoor/aquatic environments and the built environment, ecosystem services and public health.

Past Projects include Worldmapper which used novel methods to visualise international social and environmental datasets from sources such as the UN, WHO and the World Bank, an MRC funded doctoral research into the association between health inequalities and environmental inequalities in England and Wales and Joseph Rowntree Foundation funded projects examining the relationships between geographical location on health and economic prospects.

- Publications:**
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