Historic and Environmental Knowledge Integrated with Territorial and Urban Planning

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The preparation of the participative Master Plano of Agudos is part of an investigation thought as an objective to research, developed by the SITU Group and the Italian team of Professor Bernardo Secchi P.H.D. (IUAV of Venice) that aims to investigate the transformations that have been happening in the last decades in the west of São Paulo.

The perspective of the city is based on two point of views: as a singular case and as operations connected to the territory characteristics, which persist and remain for a long period but at some points have interruptions taking, for many times, to the aggravation of environmental and urban issues. The first one is based on the concept of monofunctionality and function integration, from functional uniformity to its diversification aiming the appreciation of local specificities. The second one replaces the hierarchical model by networking.

This approach aims to speculate the instruments and possibilities confronted with effective conditions of reality, which may turn into real operation strategies for the development of small and medium cities inserted in the new politics leveraged by Agenda 21 of Rio de Janeiro, the Kyoto Protocol, the City Statute and the new demands of the Participative Master Plan.

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