

## **WWTF International Summer School 2014 Designing Places of Emancipation?**

Learning field C

*The material, the mental and the lived space*

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Abstract:

### **The material, the mental and the lived space ...when spatial development meets heritage**

The theme discusses the relation between social and cultural history of place and future development endeavor. It investigates how planning practices diminish meaning produced through historical practices, substituting it with place promotion strategies. How are built and lived spaces represented in the media and in discourses about urban development of the gasworks Leopoldau? This learning field takes a look at two (contrasting) practices within a redevelopment process, the production of space vs. production of meaning, to investigate discourses on the production of material, mental and the lived space. Stakeholder's views on space are often fiercely debated in a redevelopment process, as argumentations are built up on various sides using different tools, instruments and media to transport them. An exploration of development processes related to the gasworks Leopoldau will be expanded by insights into debates on the reconstruction of Berliner Stadtschloss and redevelopment of the Tempelhofer Feld. Who takes part in the process of the production of meaning and space? What are their views and believes? What ways are used to convince and to succeed? How participatory is the process? What is the role of planners and designers in such a process