

# Different URBANISATIONS

This dialogue focuses on the role and limits of import/export of knowledge, technology and urbanisation patterns between different regions of the world, and questions how 'culturally different' the processes of urbanisation are/should be.

Africa is at the beginning of a major wave of urbanisation and is theoretically still in the position to take decisions on how the African Urban Transition will take shape. But what happens when we export European or Asian urbanisation patterns and technologies to African cities (which is already happening)? Which approaches can be shared (imported) and which cannot? What influence do 'different urbanisations' have on the resulting urban resource flows?

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## **Critical Public Debate**

The event will be in **English**. Admission is free upon **registration** at http://**iass-potsdam.de/dialogues** 

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The New Urban Agenda 'on the ground'