CSM, FUS, FSSK and Urbanum invite you to a conference day:

Rethinking Urban Social Movements

Wednesday 22 may 2013, University of Gothenburg

Venue: City Museum, Norra Hamngatan 12

Program

10.15 Introduction: “From urban uprisings to urban social movements”, Ove Sernhede and Håkan Thörn, University of Gothenburg

11-12 "Contradictions in urban activism in the context of neoliberalization", Margit Mayer, Freie Universität, Berlin
Discussant: Christoph Haug, University of Gothenburg

13-14 “Liquid states, global movements? On the spatialities of social movements”, Justus Uitermark, Erasmus University, Rotterdam
Discussant: Kerstin Jacobsson, Södertörn University, Stockholm

Discussant: Catharina Thörn, University of Gothenburg

15.30-16.30 Panel discussion: Mayer, Merrifield and Uitermark
Chair: Catharina Thörn, University of Gothenburg

The conference is free but has a limited number of seats. Send an email before 1 May if you would like to participate: urban2013@socav.gu.se
About the speakers and organizers:

**Margit Mayer** is professor of Political Science at Freie Universität, Berlin. She has published a number of books and articles on urban transformation and urban social movements, including the co-edited *Urban Movements in a Globalizing World* (2000, w. P Hamel and H. Lustiger-Thaler) and *Cities for People, not for Profit. Critical Urban Theory and the Right to the City* (2012, w. w. N. Brenner and P. Marcuse).


**Justus Uitermark** is a sociologist and Professor of Community development at the Erasmus University of Rotterdam. He has published books and articles on gentrification, social movements and urban governance. Recent articles include “Cities and Social Movements: Theorizing beyond the right to the city” (with W. Nicholls and M. Loopmans) in *Environment and Planning A* (2013). See also www.justusuitermark.nl

**Centre for Urban Studies (CUS)** was established in 2010 and is located in Hammarkullen, a banlieue-like suburb in the urban periphery. CUS is mainly involved in teaching and research related to issues on segregation and urban poverty. CUS has its base at the Department for Social Work at the University of Gothenburg. Contact: ove.sernhede@kultur.gu.se

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