



“Housing and the City” study award

Call for entries 2024

The “Housing and the City” study prize is awarded by NRW.BANK in cooperation with the Faculty of Spatial Planning at TU Dortmund University to honour outstanding theses in this field. The prize is designed to promote young academics and may be awarded to graduates of all disciplines whose thesis or dissertation was written at a university in North Rhine-Westphalia or whose work addresses North Rhine-Westphalia in terms of content.

The works submitted must

- address a subject from the “Housing and the City” field of research,
- be characterised by special scientific achievement, be of practical relevance or address current issues in the research field from an innovative perspective,
- be no older than two years (handed in after 30 April 2022) and be written by a team of no more than three authors.

In addition to papers with a theoretical or empirical focus, papers with a conceptual/creative focus (design work) are also accepted. In the case of pure design work, a general transfer to comparable problems must be possible and there must be a clear practical reference to the topic of “Housing and the City”.

In terms of content, the following **topics with reference to housing** are of interest:

- effects of social change (e.g. demographic change, mobility, climate adaptation, sustainability, social and technical infrastructure)
- analysis of approaches to action and steering options that encompass current issues (e.g. instruments for the development of the housing stock and affordable housing, possibilities for land saving, approaches to energy saving, climate-friendly urban development, approaches of action related to the residential environment and neighborhoods)
- analysis of functional interrelationships and interactions between the city, surrounding area and region (e.g. delineation of housing market regions, sub-/reurbanisation processes)
- impact analysis of existing instruments (e.g. housing promotion, urban development promotion, land policy instruments, housing action plans)

The prize will be awarded for the 16th time in 2024 and comes with a **total prize money of € 3,000**.

It is planned to award a

- first prize (€ 1,500),
- second prize (€ 1,000) and
- third prize (€ 500).

The award ceremony and presentation of the winning entries will take place at **NRW.BANK**, Düsseldorf. Entries can be submitted by a proposal procedure. Proposals may be submitted by all university teachers and academic staff of universities.

The **selection committee** that will decide on the award is composed of:

- **Prof. Dr.-Ing. Sabine Baumgart**, formerly TU Dortmund University; formerly President of ARL; BPW Stadtplanung, Bremen
- **Prof. Dipl.-Ing. Bauass. Rolf Westerheide**, formerly RWTH Aachen University, Chair of Urban Planning and Design; member of the Executive Board of the Federal Chamber of German Architects and the Chamber of Architects in North Rhine-Westphalia
- **Dipl.-Ing. Anne Luise Müller**, retired Head of the Cologne City Planning Office
- **Dipl.-Ing. Sven Macdonald**, Head of Urban Development, Urban Development and Planning Department, City of Wuppertal
- **Dipl.-Ing. Michael Isselmann**, Former Head of Department, Bonn City Planning Office, former Chairman of the Expert Commission for Urban Planning and Development at the DStT

Works must be submitted electronically to the address below by **15 May 2024**. In addition, a short summary of the work (max. 300 words) must be submitted, which will be published on the internet after the award ceremony. Only one entry may be submitted per applicant. The selection committee’s decision is final. The works must be accompanied by an application form to be completed by the supervising university teacher or academic staff of the university, which may be requested informally from the contact address below.

More information:

- <https://soz.raumplanung.tu-dortmund.de/kooperationen/>
- www.nrwbank.de/studienpreis

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