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Report on the research stay in the USA 26 February - 21 May 2001

Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge, Massachusetts Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio, University of California in Berkeley, California

Research Topic: Fundamentals of Planning and Design Methods in Architecture – Analysis and Further Development of Planning and Design Methods Illustrated by the Example of Complex Buildings for Social Services and Healthcare Facilities

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Updated abstract of the research project

The project "Fundamentals of Planning and Design Methods in Architecture – Analysis and Further Development of Planning and Design Methods Illustrated by the Example of Complex Buildings for Social Services and Healthcare Facilities" focuses on the question "How can architects develop systematically goal-oriented architectural solutions in the complex field of buildings for social services and healthcare facilities?" The aim is to develop a planning and design method that supports any architect while planning and designing complex buildings. In addition, teachers can use the method as a teaching basis and researchers as a discussion basis. The starting point consists of two models – the issue model and the process model – for developing obligatory criteria for planning and design methods. These models are the basis for the comparative analysis of well-known planning and design methods and consequently for the deduction of general requirements for future planning and design methods. Finally, the method developed is to be examined empirically in terms of its applicability in practice, teaching and further research. Since the general approach of the project is process-oriented as well as result-oriented, this examination is to be process-oriented and result-oriented, too.

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Research stay in the USA - Spring 2001

The research institutions visited were chosen in regard to their relevance to the project. I visited institutions and people with a particularly *wide* field of interest with regard to a methodological architecturel planning and design process. In addition, it was important for me to meet people working in other design disciplines than architecture as well.

The visited hospitals belong to the best 173 hospitals in the US. The latest ranking was published in the magazine "US News and World Report". The ranking is also published online, updated on 2/9/01: http://www.usnews.com/usnews/nycu/health/hosptl/tophosp.htm.

This report is meant to answer the following questions:

Where have you been? Whom have you met?

What are their fields of interest?

What have you been talking about?

Detailed aspects of the discussion will be found in the forthcoming project publication.

Duration 26 February 2001 – 21 May 2001 (12 weeks altogether)

Work in Cambridge MA

26 February 2001 – 13 April 2001 (7 weeks)

Gunter Henn

(Architect and professor of architecture of buildings for trade and industry also working with Bill Porter/MIT and Tom Allen/MIT; discussion about design methods in architecture and the general structure of the project)

Technische Universität Dresden, Deutschland

http://www.arch.tu-dresden.de/seiten/ind_gew/ind_gew.htm;

Henn Architekten, München, Berlin, Dresden, Deutschland

http://www.henn.de/

Bill (William Lyman) Porter

(Professor of architecture; discussion about design methods in architecture and the detailed structure of the project)

Department of Architecture, MIT Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts

http://architecture.mit.edu/welcome.html

http://architecture.mit.edu/people/profiles/prporter.html

Paul Keel

http://destech.mit.edu/keel/

Tom (Thomas J.) Allen

(Professor of management; discussion about work environments and some particular aspects the structure of the project)

Sloan School of Management, MIT Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts

http://mitsloan.mit.edu/

Library of the Department of Architecture, MIT Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts

Public Library, Cambridge, Massachusetts

Visits Brigham and Women's Hospital, 75 Francis Street, Boston, MA 02115

http://www.brighamandwomens.com/

Children's Hospital, 300 Longwood Avenue, Boston, MA 2115

http://www.tch.harvard.edu/

Massachusetts General Hospital, 55 Fruit Street, Boston, MA 02114

http://www.mgh.harvard.edu/

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Research Travel

13 April 2001 - 29 April 2001 (2 weeks altogether)

New York NY

Visits

Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, 1275 York Avenue, New York, NY 10021 http://www.mskcc.org/

New York Presbyterian Hospital, 525 E. 68th Street, New York, NY 10021 http://www.nyp.org/

Philadelphia PA

Visits

Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, 34th St & Civic Center Blvd., Philadelphia, PA 19104 http://www.chop.edu/index.html

Fox Chase Cancer Center, Philadelphia, 7701 Burholme Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19111 http://www.fccc.edu/

Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, 3400 Spruce Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104 http://www.med.upenn.edu/

Washington DC

Library of Congress

http://www.loc.gov/

Visits

Children's National Medical Center, 111 Michigan Avenue, N. W., Washington, DC 20010 http://www.dcchildrens.com/

Georgetown University Hospital, 3800 Reservoir Road, N. W., Washington, DC 20007 http://www.georgetown.edu/

Pittsburgh PA

Ömer Akin

(Professor of Architecture; discussion about the process-oriented and the result-oriented

evaluation of the planning and design process)

School of Architecture, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania http://www.arc.cmu.edu/

Visits

Allegheny General Hospital, 320 E. North Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15212

http://www.allhealth.edu/

Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, 3705 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15213

http://www.chp.edu/

Work in Columbus OH 22 April 2001 – 27 April 2001

(about 1 week)

Heike Goeller

(Professor of interior design; discussions about the solution of particular scientific problems as e.g. the empirical examination of the quality of a process)

Department of Industrial, Interior, and Visual Communication Design, The Ohio State University, Columbus

http://www.arts.ohio-state.edu/design/

http://www.arts.ohio-state.edu/design/design new/are facultyIS.html

Reinhart Butter

(Professor of product design; discussion about the general scope of the project)
Department of Industrial, Interior, and Visual Communication Design, The Ohio State University. Columbus

http://www.arts.ohio-state.edu/design/

http://www.arts.ohio-state.edu/design/design_new/are_facultyID.html

Liz Sanders

Company Sonic Rim, 1086 N. 4th Street, Columbus, OH 43201

(Interdisciplinary company that created a new type of research by supporting clients getting creative: SonicRim merges the disciplines of design, market research and consumer behavior, anthropology, human factors, and psychology; discussion about their proceeding and the possibility to transfer their knowledge into a systematic architectural design process) http://www.sonicrim.com/

Trudy A. Cherok (Environmental Graphic Designer) and **Peter S. Williams** (Senior Associate, Environmental Graphic Designer; discussion about the proceeding during lectures and the design studio at the Ohio State University)

Company NBBJ, 1555 Lake Shore Drive, Columbus, OH 43204

(Architecture, Design, Planning)

www.nbbj.com

Company Design Central, 6464 Presidential Gtwy, Columbus, OH 43231-7673

(Product Designers, discussion about a wide field of aspects of a systematic design) www.design-central.com

Visits

Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital, 300 West 10th Avenue, Columbus, OH 43210 http://www.jamesline.com/

Children's Hospital, 700 Children's Drive, Columbus, OH 43205

http://www.childrenscolumbus.org/

Ohio State University Medical Center, 410 W. 10th Avenue, Columbus, OH 43210 http://www.osumedcenter.edu/

Cincinnati OH

Wolfgang F. E. Preiser

(Professor of architecture and Director of Research for ARC Architectural Research Consultants; discussion about aspects of the evaluation of the design process and the architectural solution)

DAAP College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio

http://www.uc.edu/colleges/daap/overview.html

http://www.swcp.com/arc/

Chicago

Visit

University of Chicago Hospitals, 5841 S. Maryland Avenue, Chicago, IL 60637 http://www.uchospitals.edu/

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Work in Berkeley CA

29 April 2001 – 21 May 2001 (3 weeks)

Edward Arens

(Professor of architecture; discussion about environmental aspects of the planning and design process, and about the structure of the approach "design control") UCB University of California in Berkeley, California

http://arch.ced.berkeley.edu/

Galen Cranz

(Professor of architecture; discussion about "workspheres") UCB University of California in Berkeley, California http://arch.ced.berkeley.edu/

Doe Library (Main Library) at UCB University of California in Berkeley, California

Moffit Library (Environmental Studies Library) at UCB University of California in Berkeley, California

Anne-Cathrin Schulz and Lothar Maier

(Architects, partly working in the field of healthcare buildings; discussion about architectural practice in the USA)

Company SOM Skidmore, Owings & Merrill LLP, One Front Street, Suite 2500, San Francisco, CA 94111 (Architecture, Engineering, Planning, Interior Design, Graphics) http://www.som.com/

George Tingwald

(Director of Healthcare Design; discussion about healthcare buildings and about planning and designing of healthcare buildings in the USA, information about institutions for healthcare architects in the USA)

Company SOM Skidmore, Owings & Merrill LLP, One Front Street, Suite 2500, San Francisco, CA 94111 (Architecture, Engineering, Planning, Interior Design, Graphics) http://www.som.com/

Hans-Christoph Haenlein and Banny Banerjee

(Product designers; participation at a brainstorm for a walking aid for disabled children, discussion about the general scope of the project and about detailed aspects with regard to the differences between architectural and product design)

Company IDEO Palo Alto, 700 High Street, Palo Alto, CA 94301

(Design Services, Product Design)

http://www.ideo.com/

Barry Katz

(Director of the "IDEO University", information about the work of the IDEO University) Company IDEO Palo Alto, 700 High Street, Palo Alto, CA 94301 (Design Services, Product Design) http://www.ideo.com/

Bill Rostenburg

(Architect, AIA Principal; discussion about detailed aspects of healthcare design) Company SmithGroup, 225 Bush St FI 11, San Francisco, CA 94104-4250 (Planning, Design, Management) http://www.smithgroup.com/

Joyce Polhamus

(Architect, AIA Associate; discussion about detailed aspects of healthcare design and of the design of buildings for social services, in particular for the elderly people)

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http://www.kff.org/ http://www.kp.org/

http://www.ca.kaiserpermanente.org/

University of California, San Francisco Medical Center, 500 Parnassus, San Francisco,

CA 94143

http://www.ucsfhealth.org/hospital/#ucsf

Preparation and submission of a paper for a conference during my stay in the USA

Conference with the title "Value Through Design" will take place on 14-15 September 2001 in Reading,

England/UK at The University of Reading,

organized by CIB W96 Architectural Management & DRS The Design Research Society

Abstract with the title "Value through design control"

was submitted on 1 April 2001

Acceptance of the abstract was received on 4 April 2001

Paper with the title "Value through design control"

was submitted on 1 June 2001

Contacts owing to my visit of the conference "CoDesigning" in Coventry which was also sponsored by

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Heike Goeller

Department of Industrial, Interior, and Visual Communication Design, The Ohio State Uni-

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Oya Demirbilek

School of the Built Environment, Industrial Design, The University of New South Wales,

Australia

Thank you!

I would like to draw your attention to our newly translated web pages where this report is also available:

http://www.tu-dresden.de/arige/sozialb/dfg-projekt.htm (DFG Research Project) http://www.tu-dresden.de/arige/sozialb/forschung/2001-06-14-report-USA.pdf (Report USA)

On that web page, the blue-marked and underlined links are of course active.

Monika Fendl Dresden, 14 June 2001

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