

CURRICULUM VITAE

PIERRE LACONTE, born in Brussels, Belgium, on 17 May 1934, was one of the three partners (with R. Lemaire, and J.P. Blondel) in Groupe Urbanisme-Architecture, created in 1969 by the Catholic University of Louvain to produce the master plan of a new university town, near Brussels, and coordinate its implementation. Called Louvain-la-Neuve, it is now a regional service centre, built along the model of traditional European university towns. Its master plan included a new railway station and energy and water-saving features such a reservoir treated as a lake. Its centre is car-free. Its shopping mall, adjacent to the railway station, has 8 million visitors per year and is to be extended. Abercrombie Award of the International Union of Architects 1982 http://www.ffue.org/2016/05/the-founding-and-development-of-louvain-la-neuve-the-only-new-town-in-belgium-delft-2016/

Dr of Laws & Dr of Economics (Catholic University of Louvain); honorary Dr (Edinburgh Napier University). President, Foundation for the Urban Environment, Brussels (www.ffue.org) since 1999. The Foundation has, inter alia, initiated ten books between 2000 and 2016.

Member (2004-11) and Vice-Chairman (2008-11), scientific committee of the European Environmental Agency (www.eea.europa.eu) for urban and spatial matters. These included the reports "Urban Sprawl in Europe" (2007) and "Quality of Life in Cities" (2009).

Honorary Secretary General of the International Association of Public Transport — UITP (Secretary General 1984-1999). UITP serves ca 90.000 members, both public and private, and has a staff of ca 120 in Brussels and regional offices in all continents www.uitp.org. Among its publications, the Millennium Database (2001/2006) compares mobility, land-use and environment in 100 conurbations.

Member of the Lee Kuan Yew World City Prize Council for 2010 and 2012 www.leekuanyewworldcityprize.com.sg & member, advisory group for Singapore World Cities Summit 2012. Member, EU evaluation team for the European Green Capital Award 2012 and 2013. Member, Akademie der Kuenste, Berlin (Sektion Baukunst) since 1995 and Corresponding member, Deutsche Akademie für Staedtebau und Landesplanung since 1999.

Past President, International Society of City and regional Planners (ISOCARP). In this capacity he was involved in the congresses of Antwerp, Dalian and Wuhan – see https://isocarp.org).

Council member, Europa Nostra, the pan-European heritage federation; chair of its Industrial and Engineering Heritage Committee since 2009 (http://www.ffue.org/links/europa-nostra-industrial-and-engineering-heritage-committee/); expert member, International Committee on Historic Towns and Villages (ICOMOS) since 2003. Board member and report author about global-local issues (2010), Club of Rome-EU: www.clubofrome.at (published in English and Chinese).

Member, Advisory Board, "Progress in Planning" (Elsevier).

Among his publications in English:

- -"Brussels: Perspectives on a European Capital", co-edited with Carola Hein (shared the Society for Human Ecology 2008 Award for best publication of the year),
- -"Water Resources and Land-Use Planning; A Systems Approach" (Martinus Nijhoff 1982)
- -"Human and Energy Factors in Urban Planning: A Systems Approach" (Martinus Nijhoff 1982) and
- -"Sustainable Cities: Assessing the Performance and Practice of Urban Environments"

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-"Smart and Sustainable Planning for Cities and Regions", A. Bisello, D. Vettorato, P. Laconte, S. Costa (Eds.). Series: Green Energy and Technology. Springer, 2018.

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