











"Optimisation of economic, environmental and energy savings in buildings"

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Venue: Seminar Room K505, Buchanan House, Glasgow Caledonian University, 58 Port Dundas

Road, Glasgow, G4 0HG.

### Summary:

The need for an energy modelling and decision making tool that aims specifically to buildings outside the residential and commercial sectors was identified as a result of the regular project work undertaken by GEOCAPITA INVESTMENTS LTD. It is clear that there is a lack of data available in energy intensive industrial sectors such as industrial facilities, transportation projects and research and development complexes. In order to collect this data and to turn it into a usable form, the Edinburgh Napier University team has been commissioned to undertake research and to develop a design tool for use by a practicing investment company.

This project investigates the feasibility of the use of Low or Zero Carbon Energy Sources (LZCES) in the built environment and the development of an innovative software tool.

A collection of manufacturers' data from various LZCES was carried out in order to test the performance of the software tool. Energy, economy and CO2 saving simulations were done on a number of LZCES systems. A final assessment of the number of different options and their impact on the cost, energy and CO2 saving was performed in order to assess the best combination possible.

The developed software allows the selection of low and zero carbon energy sources (LZCES) in buildings (residential and commercial). It allows defining the optimum combination of LZCES in the building with the 3 variables to be analysed being: Energy - Environment - Economy (Financial costs)

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# Speakers:

**Douglas Prentice**, GeoCapita Investments Ltd **Dr Aymeric Girard**, Energy & Environment Consultant

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30 years on, IAPS aims to bring together the latest developments in research, practice and policy to discuss their needs, synergies and potential.

Its 22nd Conference, jointly organised by the University of Strathclyde, the University of West of Scotland and the University of Sheffield, will be held in Glasgow (24-29th June 2012) on the theme "Human Experience in the Natural and Built Environment: implications for research, policy and practice". The organisation of this event is in full swing and we have an exciting scientific and social programme planned, which you can see by visiting the conference website at <a href="https://www.iaps2012.org.uk">www.iaps2012.org.uk</a>

The Conference will feature three internationally renowned keynote speakers: Professor Habeel Hamdi, world famous for his leadership in participatory action planning; Professor Gary Evans, Elizabeth Lee Vincent Professor of Human Ecology; and Professor Ian Bentley, author of Responsive Environments, Identity by Design, Urban Transformations (see their areas of expertise on our website). Moreover, it will be supported by a varied and distinguished Scientific Committee which well

reflects the themes of the conference across research, practice and policy-making. Please visit the Scientific Committee page to see members' biographical details.

The Conference will be preceded by the now well established Young Researchers' Workshop which aims to offer young researchers a stimulating environment where to discuss their research and be coached by well known IAPS members. A photographic exhibition will also be a prominent feature of the conference week and details about how to participate in this year's theme of "Constructed Memories" are listed on the Website. We also have a range of exciting study tours guided by researchers and practitioners personally involved in each of the sites (through research or development) which will make the tours truly invaluable and rich experiences.

IAPS Association look forward to receiving your submissions of papers, posters, symposia, and case studies. Please remember that the deadline for submission is 31st October 2011.

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