

SYMPOSIUM

# THE WEALTH OF NATIONS AND THE ROLE OF ARCHITECTURE FOR A HUMAN WELFARE-ORIENTED URBAN ECONOMY OF CITIES

with **PAUL KRUGMAN**  
NOBEL Prize in Economic Sciences



FRIDAY, APRIL 4TH, 2025, FROM 2:30 TO 6:30 P.M. | UNIVERSITY OF PADUA  
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2.30pm **Institutional greetings**

Antonio Parbonetti, *Deputy Rector  
University of Padua*  
Paola Valbonesi, *Head of the Department of  
Economics and Management "Marco Fanno"*  
Andrea Micalizzi, *Vice Mayor City of Padua*  
Roberto Righetto, *President FOAV and Ordine  
Architetti PPC Padova*

2.45pm **Opening of the proceedings**

Massimo Crusi, *CNAPPC President*  
Roberto Rosso, *Senator, Speaker Urban  
Regeneration Law in the Senate*

3.15pm **Lectio magistralis**

**Deplorable political roads**  
Paul Krugman, *2008 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences*

FIRST SESSION FROM 4:00 TO 4.50 p.m.

## CONTEMPORARY STRUGGLES: HARDSHIPS, URBAN LIFE AND GOVERNANCE

Coordinator: Catherine Gall, *Executive Director ETI Research Sorbonne Paris*

4.00pm **The New Debate on Proximity**

Carlos Moreno, *University IAE Paris Sorbonne  
President Scientific Committee CNAPPC*

4.30pm **Urban Love in Troubled Cities**

Karima Kourtit, *Open University, the Netherland*

4.50pm *Coffee Break*

SECOND SESSION FROM 5.00 TO 6.30 p.m.

## WHAT KIND OF CITY DO WE WANT TO LIVE IN?

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5.00pm **Bioclimatic architecture: an urgent path"**  
Philippe Rahm, *Philippe Rahm Architects*

5.20pm **Mission 100 Climate-neutral cities 2030**  
Matteo Colleoni, *Full Professor of Urban studies,  
University of Milan, Bicocca*

5.40pm **Complex cities vs. left-behind cities**  
Roberto Antonietti, *Professor of Political economy,  
University of Padua*

6.00pm **AI: save our souls**  
Peter Nijkamp, *University of Rijeka, Rijeka, Croatia*  
*Tsinghua University, Beijing, China*

6.20pm **Conclusions**  
Giuseppe Cappochin, *CNAPPC, Responsible for the  
Dept. of Urban Reform and Future of the City*

6.30pm *Closing of the proceedings*

The event will also be broadcast  
in English in live streaming  
on the YouTube CNAPPC channel:  
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