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Cluster Director delivers keynote address on the future of cities

Our Director of the Cluster for Sustainable Cities, from the Faculty of Creative and Cultural Industries, Professor Steffen Lehmann, was invited as keynote speaker of the SET2016 International Conference at the National University of Singapore in July 2016.

In his presentation Professor Lehmann discussed a number of issues in connection to the urban design of climate-smart low-carbon precincts. He argued that we cannot afford isolated approaches; integration and interdisciplinary collaboration have become essential to move forward towards the low-carbon goal. Professor Lehmann noted “The urban challenges we face are far too big as that one single discipline alone would be able to resolve them. Designing low-carbon cities for the post-fossil era has emerged as the new paradigm in global urban development. Due to our obsession with economic growth and excessive use of finite resources, the urban challenges, including rapid urbanisation and sprawl, require us to think about cities in a new way. Urbanisation in the Asia-Pacific region has now become accelerated and much more complex.” Professor Chi-Hwa Wang from the National University of Singapore (NUS), chair of the conference, said: “We are pleased to invite Professor Steffen Lehmann of the University of Portsmouth as keynote speaker to the 15th International Conference on Sustainable Energy Technologies (SET2016), which was hosted by NUS from 20 to 22 July 2016. SET2016 was organised in collaboration with the World Society of Sustainable Energy Technologies and the CREATE Campus for Research Excellence and Technological Enterprise, and the conference was attended by over 250 participants.” For more information see: <http://set2016.chbe.nus.edu.sg/keynote.html>



Prof Wang and Prof Lehmann at NUS, August 2016



The SET2016 International Conference in Singapore