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Themed Session Call for Papers

A ‘Place’ for Practitioners

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Theme focus: While the concept of ‘place’ has been conceptualised for decades, it has become a strategic discussion area for local and regional development practitioners in recent years. Terms like place management, place making and place branding are becoming prominent as practitioners and policy-makers explore collaborative approaches to the future of towns and cities. Place has become a central organising function within some government entities with new roles specifically focussing on place being created. Leisure is a key factor at play in the shaping of places in communities and the scoping of these emerging terms.

Session format: This session focusses on the practitioner’s perspective of how leisure might shape spaces and places in contemporary urban settings. It is to provoke discussion on emerging concepts around urban spaces and places and the role of leisure in them. Case studies and exemplars of contemporary practice by practitioners and applied studies by academics and higher degree candidates are particularly encouraged.

Abstracts should be 250-350 words clearly indicating the following information:

- Author name(s) indicating position and affiliation as well as full details of correspondence author.
- Full paper title as it will appear in the conference programme.
- Abstract including Background (outline of the context/literature informing the study or issue), Approach/methodology (indication of the broad theoretical orientation and/or methodological approach) and Significance/Key learnings (description/application of findings or key learnings).
- Full references for any research cited in the abstract (no tables, figures or footnotes).

Abstracts using Word format are to be submitted to Dr Clayton Hawkins (clayton.hawkins@utas.edu.au)

Deadline for abstracts is Friday 29th May 2015