Openness is at the center of current societal debates when issues of belonging, security and resource distribution are being negotiated. In the light of insecurity and uncertainty regarding future developments, current societal debates point towards new lines of conflict regarding "openness" and "closure" within urban areas. Openness has interlinked dimensions: the physical openness of space, institutional openness, the openness of social, economic and ecological systems, and responsiveness to future change.

The open city is a challenging concept and an opportunity. The exploration of such new perspectives and approaches considering openness in urban development is crucial as the speed of societal changes, urban growth and deteriorating environmental conditions increases. Can the concept of openness provide designers, planners, decision makers and citizens new strategies to counter multiple uncertainties in the process of urban development, without irrevocably obstructing future possibilities?
OPEN RESEARCH FORUM

09:00 - 10:00 Registration + Welcome
10:00 - 10:20 Open City research group presents: “Offene Stadt – Theorien, Perspektiven, Instrumente”
10:20 - 10:50 Lightning Round I
10:20 - 12:30 PARALLEL WORKSHOP SESSIONS
   Workshop Session I: Space
      Moderator: Olaf Mumm
      Rapporteur: Prof. Dr. Vanessa M. Carlow
      Provocation: Prof. Dr. Tatjana Schneider
   Workshop Session II: Time
      Moderator: Ines Dobosic
      Rapporteur: Prof. Dr. Boris Schröder-Esselbach
      Provocation: Prof. Dr. Eckart Voigts
12:30 - 13:30 Lunch
13:30 - 14:00 Lightning Round II
14:00 – 15:40 PARALLEL WORKSHOP SESSIONS
   Workshop Session III: Systems
      Moderator: Dr. Michael Strohbach
      Rapporteur: Jan Trapp
   Workshop Session IV: Institutions
      Moderator: Dr. Dagmar Schulze-Heuling
      Rapporteur: Dr. Nadine Appelhans
      Provocation: Prof. Dr. Dirk Konietzka
15:40 - 15:50 Break + Preparation for Plenary session
15:50 - 16:30 PLENIARY SESSION
   Reports from Session I, II, III and IV and podium discussion with the rapporteurs

OPEN CITY SYMPOSIUM

16:30 - 17:00 Registration
17:00 - 17:15 Welcome and Intro
17:15 - 17:30 Open City research group presents: “Offene Stadt – Theorien, Perspektiven, Instrumente”
17:30 - 18:15 Dr. Tali Hatuka
      Head and founder of the Laboratory of contemporary Urban Design at Tel Aviv University
18:15 - 19:00 Prof. Dr. Harald Welzer
      Director of FUTURZWEI: Stiftung Zukunftsfähigkeit
19:00 - 19:30 Break
19:30 - 20:15 Prof. Edgar A. Pieterse
      Director of African Centre for Cities at University of Cape Town
20:15 - 21:30 Podium discussion
      Participants: Speakers, Advisory Board, Provocateurs
21:30 Conclusion + Outro