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The Department of Culture Politica Società is glad to announce that, on Tuesday November 27th at 14.00 pm, sala lauree rossa piccolo

Seraphim Alvanides visiting professor (Northumbria University, Newcastle - UK) will give a seminar on:

From Urban Transport to Active Mobilities: Lessons from North East England

Abstract: Adopting Fred Ken quote "if you plan cities for cars you get cars and traffic", this revisits the past in light of the transport situation in parts of England. Focusing on Newcastle and the surrounding conurbation case study, I will present two transport policy initiatives and research projects related to walking and cycling. It will become apparent that the baggage of post-industrial cities compete with visions of urban futures. As a result, investing on ad hoc infrastructure without full consultation has generated friction and unrest. I will argue that the casualty of this conflict and sustainable forms of mobility, such as walking and cycling.

The seminar will be held at Campus Luigi Einaudi, Sala lauree rossa piccola

Bio sketch
Seraphim Alvanides is an urban social geographer, with expertise in quantitative methods and Geographic Information Systems and Science (GIS/Sc). His earlier research interests involve the analysis of population in order to identify patterns of social deprivation and health inequalities. His more recent work concerns environments, such as availability of food outlets and physical activity opportunities, in the social/environmental justice. Putting his research into practice, He is also involved with charities and organisations promoting active lifestyles, such as Sustrans, Living Streets, NEAT (North East Active Trav Transport and Health Study Group (THSG)).

Seraphim Alvanides is also Associate Editor for the Elsevier Journal of Transport and Health. After the seminar, he will be available for a short workshop about what happens behind the scenes and give colleagues and PhD students tips: https://www.journals.elsevier.com/journal-of-transport-and-health