



Urban Mobility versus Gender, and Care

Connecting the urban mobility and the social-gender roles

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Transport infrastructure and services are the means to improve the well-being of all groups of the population, including women, men, children, the elder, and people with disabilities. However, they are often incorrectly considered “gender-neutral”. In fact, mobility is socially determined by gender roles related to reproduction, production, and community. The relative economic, social status, and gender roles, as well as livelihoods of women and men also influence the different needs and usages of transport services. The gender dimensions in public transportation should become more evident when its investment can be viewed in terms of facilitating the mobility of people for various purposes and needs as well as in different modes, in which women and men, children and elders could differently experience – rather than just simply investing in hard infrastructure that equally benefits all groups of the population. The inadequate design of public transport infrastructure and services will constrain women’s access and limit the positive distributional impacts of urban public transportation. Integrating the gender focus into the transport policy dialogue and planning procedures could promote equal economic opportunities for the entire society in expecting to unlock barriers to women’s economic potential.

Programme

14.15 | **Opening Remarks**

Sébastien LECHEVALIER (FFJ-EHESS, President), **Thị Ngọc Tú LÊ** (FFJ/Michelin Foundation fellow, Hoa Sen University)

14.25 | **Session 1**

Chair: **Sébastien LECHEVALIER** (FFJ-EHESS, President)

Speakers: **Thị Ngọc Tú LÊ** (2022 FFJ/Michelin Foundation fellow, Hoa Sen University), **Andrés BORTHAGARAY** (2022 FFJ/Michelin Foundation fellow, Furban Foundation, City on the Move Institute Latin America)

Discussants: **Beatriz FERNANDEZ** (EHESS), **Huê-Tam JAMME** (Arizona State University)

15.10 | **Q&A Session**

Break

16.00 | **Session 2**

Chair: **Thị Ngọc Tú LÊ** (2022 FFJ/Michelin Foundation fellow, Hoa Sen University)

Speakers: **Alexandre FAURE** (FFJ-EHESS), **Huê-Tam JAMME** (Arizona State University), **Monica DWIYANTI** (EHESS)

Discussants: **Andrés BORTHAGARAY** (2022 FFJ/Michelin Foundation fellow, Furban Foundation, City on the Move Institute Latin America), **Beatriz FERNANDEZ** (EHESS)

17.05 | **Q&A Session**

17.30 | **Concluding Remarks**

Alexandre FAURE (FFJ-EHESS), **Thị Ngọc Tú LÊ** (2022 FFJ/Michelin Foundation fellow, Hoa Sen University)

Cocktail

Participants

(alphabetical order)



Andrés BORTHAGARAY (2022 FFJ/Michelin Foundation fellow, Furban Foundation, City on the Move Institute Latin America)

Andrés Borthagaray is an architect from Buenos Aires University, has a degree in public administration at ENA in France, and is a doctor from Sorbonne Nouvelle (geography and urbanism). He is president of Furban Foundation and is responsible for the City on the Move Institute (Latin America). He directs a post-graduate program about designing and managing smart and inclusive cities, School of Architecture, Design, and Urbanism, Buenos Aires University. He also has graduate courses on urbanism (FA UP) and, as a guest professor, urban mobility for post-graduate programs in urbanism (FAUD, UNC; Master DUT, UPC). He has been undersecretary for decentralization, strategic planning, and transportation, Buenos Aires city government. He has developed a line of research about the space of urban mobility, its governance, and the social implications of energetic and digital transitions, particularly in Latin American cities.

Title: Public spaces of mobility in Tokyo, Paris and Buenos Aires

It analyses the criteria for its design, management, and governance by studying three metropolitan cases. While spaces for urban infrastructures are essential, the focus here is on railways and railway stations as the backbone of metropolitan dynamics and as a guiding principle for social inclusion, urban growth, and sustainability.



Monica DWIYANTI (EHES)

Monica Dwiyanti is currently doing her second year of Master's in Social and Economic Sciences at EHES, specializing in gender equality and economic development. Previously, she worked for Australia-Indonesia Partnership for Economic Development as Project Officer where she conducted research to provide recommendations to government counterparts regarding gender-responsive economic governance. She also has an extensive experience working with international organizations, including the International Labour Organization (ILO). She collaborated with two principal researchers to prepare an ILO's report on the employment formalization in the Asia-Pacific region.

Title: The Gender Dimension of Developmentalism: Analysis of Female Labor Force Participation in Indonesia

The study aims to examine the reasons behind the relatively low female labor force participation (LFPR) in Indonesia in the context of developmental state by using a mixed method of quantitative and qualitative research.



Alexandre FAURE (FFJ-EHES)

Alexandre Faure, PhD in Urban Studies at EHES, is currently a post-doctoral fellow at the France-Japan Foundation of EHES. His main work focuses on political and urbanistic temporalities, in the context of world cities' bids for the Olympic Games, but also on public transport and electromobility policies.

Title: Mass transport and inclusive mobility: what lessons from Japan?

Abstract : Japan has built the most efficient and cost-effective rail network in the world over the past century. It is based on an economic model that makes train lines the driving force behind urban development, mass consumption, leisure, and tourism. However, this model relies

on large numbers of passengers and their regularity. With the demographic decline, the decrease in the number of workers and students, the whole economic model is facing a whole array of structural challenges highlighted during the pandemic. This presentation aims to question the consistency between the quest for economic profitability of Japanese rail transport and the pursuit of the goals of inclusiveness and maintenance of transport services in rural, peri-urban and areas of economic and demographic decline.



Beatriz FERNANDEZ (EHESS, Géographies Cité)

Trained as an architect and urban planner, Beatriz Fernandez joins the EHESS as an Associate Professor proposing an interdisciplinary research project on urban studies, where she crosses spatial, policy and social approaches. Her research focuses on the territorial transformations of contemporary cities in a comparative and historical perspective. She is particularly interested in the socio-spatial impacts of urban growth and shrinkage, as well as in the urban policies and planning guiding these processes. She is a member of the research lab Géographie Cités (UMR 8504) and co-chair of the PhD Academy of the Shrinking Cities International Research Network (SCiRN). She has been a visiting scholar at Columbia University, Institut d'urbanisme de Paris, Bauhaus Dessau Foundation and Dortmund Technical University.



Huê-Tâm JAMME (Arizona State University)

Huê-Tâm Jamme is an Assistant Professor at the Arizona State University's School of Geographical Sciences and Urban Planning. Her research focuses on the effects of new technologies on space and society, especially on how people move, work, shop, and socialize in cities. Her award-winning dissertation advances a new theory of productive frictions to frame understandings of the relationships between physical (transport) mobility and social interactions. From a productive frictions perspective, Jamme has led projects on car-free living in the United States; automated food vending in France; and gender and the platform economy in Southeast Asia; among others. She systematically uses a mix of qualitative and quantitative methods and promotes a global comparative perspective in built environment research. Her

work has been published in edited volumes and academic journals, including the Journal of the American Planning Association, the Journal of Planning Education and Research, Transport Behaviour and Society, and Transportation Research. Her research and teaching draw on several years of professional practice in Asia as a consultant in urban development.

Title: Urban Mobility, the Platform Economy, and Women's Empowerment: The lived experience of online female workers in Bangkok and Phnom Penh

The platform economy is often featured as an opportunity for reducing the gender gap in employment and thus promote women's empowerment in developing nations. Drawing on case studies in the capitals of Thailand (Bangkok) and Cambodia (Phnom Penh), this research aims to disentangle the complex relationships between the platform economy, new spatiotemporal working patterns, and women's empowerment. Data was collected through an online survey and in-depth interviews. A mix of qualitative methods and multivariate regressions were used to analyze the data within a framework combining Nussbaum's capabilities approach and Jamme's theory of productive frictions. The findings emphasize the pivotal role of the home-bound factor in the relationship between online platform work and women's empowerment. Indeed, most online female workers reported working from home. They also reported decreased travel times since becoming platform workers. Like remote work, platform work limits opportunities for the casual interactions that promote social integration. Furthermore, platform work completely blurs the spatial and temporal boundaries between home and the workplace, leisure and work, and paid and unpaid work. On the one hand, these blurry boundaries facilitate women's income generation. On the other hand, they limit empowerment by maintaining rather than disrupting traditional gender norms.



Thi Ngoc Tú LÊ (2022 FFJ/Michelin Foundation fellow, Hoa Sen University)

Dr. Tu Le has a background in Economics and Mathematics. She obtained her Ph.D. at Göttingen University-Germany. She has substantial working experience in Development Economics; she has gained tremendous experience in working with microdata, big data, satellite data, quantitative analysis, Geography information systems, systematic review, and meta-analysis. With a strong background in Economics and Mathematics, Dr. Tu Le has successfully turned her long-life passion for Women's Economics Empowerment into highly impactful research. Her contribution to the field of Gender Equality was recognized by the mission as Returning Expert in the framework of the Programme and Expert Fund Migration & Diaspora (PMD) -

German Cooperation (GIZ) since 2020.

Title: The HoChiMinh City- Urban Mobility and gender-sensitive analysis

This research investigates the cohesive relationship of urban transportation including Mobility, Gender, and Care by studying the case of HoChiMinh city. The difference of women and men participation in transportation will be identified and connected to the social-gender role activities



Sébastien LECHEVALIER (Professor at EHESS/President of the Fondation France-Japon de l'EHESS)

Sébastien Lechevalier is an Economist and a Professor at EHESS (School of Advanced Studies in the Social Sciences, Paris), specialised in Japanese economy and Asian Capitalisms. He is also founder and president of the Fondation France-Japon de l'EHESS (FFJ). Trained as a labor economist, he has extensively published on various dimensions of the Japanese economy, in comparative perspective, including: "Lessons from the Japanese experience. Towards an alternative economic policy?" (ENS Editions, 2016). His book, The Great Transformation of Japanese Capitalism (Routledge, 2014) was published in three languages and has been cited as one of the most influential ones on the Japanese economy published during the last decade.

Other research interests include innovation (Innovation beyond technology, Springer, 2019), industrial policies ("Financialization and industrial policies in Japan and Korea: Evolving complementarities and loss of state capabilities" in Structural Change and Economic Dynamics, 2019, Vol. 48), and inequalities & redistribution ("Decomposing Preference for Redistribution. Beyond the Trans-Atlantic Perspective", forthcoming). For more than a decade, he is involved in SASE, as a participant and an organizer.

