

Special feature: Global Cities

Why cities must aspire to become ‘global cities’



Saskia Sassen, Professor of Sociology at Columbia University, New York City, is famously attributed with creating the term “global city” – a city that is dynamic, vibrant and influenced by different cultures and business practices. In a world increasingly characterised by the vast urban sprawls of megacities, Sassen argues that cities should aspire to be “global”. Key to achieving this is cities establishing social equality, innovating, and letting natural forces – rather than imposed structures and systems – dictate what works and what does not.

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The Lee Kuan Yew World City Prize is a biennial international award that honours outstanding achievements and contributions to the creation of liveable, vibrant and sustainable urban communities around the world.

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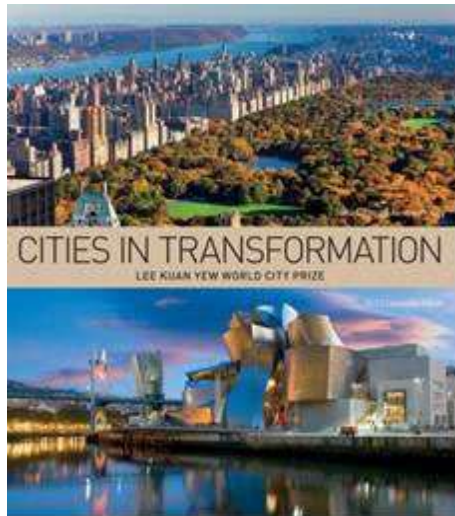
to attend the fourth annual World Cities Summit World Mayors Forum from 13 to 15 June 2013.

The event was organised under the theme 'Liveable and Sustainable Cities: Common Challenges,

Shared Solutions'. This concise post-event report summarises the various presentations and discussions held over the 3-day event.

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about social, economic and environmental benefits in a holistic way to their communities.

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