

# WEST 8 TO SPEAK AT THE 53RD IFLA (INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS) WORLD CONGRESS

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The 53rd International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA) World Congress entitled “Tasting the Landscape”, to take place on April 20th–22nd calls for the interpretation of the landscape project as an expression of a greater consciousness of the transformation processes and as an opportunity to improve the places where populations carry out their life.

This three day conference, to be held in Turin, Italy, will be structured according to four specific lines of thematic investigation;

1. Sharing Landscapes: asks in what way can a multidisciplinary design favor the recovery of the post-agricultural landscape?
2. Connected Landscapes: examines how landscape architecture can respond to the various needs of transformation and simultaneously sustain the imaginative capacity of the project
3. Layered Landscapes: investigates the ways in which the landscape project can renew the vocations and meanings of layered places, re-integrating them into contemporaneity
4. Inspiring Landscapes: explores what instruments and what results the landscape project can establish a dialogue with the various forms of artistic expression

West 8's senior project manager Christian Dobrick will deliver a keynote address at **10.30am** on the **22nd of April** under the theme of Connected Landscapes. This session intends to demonstrate how by favoring connections between the different variables in play and by overcoming the rigid contraposition between conservation and development, the landscape project can constitute a valid instrument for generating new economies through changes in places and regions.

Speakers also presenting under this theme include Saskia Sassen Robert S. Lynd Professor of Sociology, and chair of Committee on Global Thought at Columbia University and Kongjian Yu founder of Turenscape.

Thus, Tasting the Landscape intends to emphasize the landscape project as an instrument that produces quality, wellness, resources, the common good, as well as the central role of the landscape professional in the processes of regeneration and reconfiguration of places and regions.

If you wish to attend the congress please complete the [online registration](#)

Press accreditation for IFLA 2016 can be made before April 14th, 2016. To register click [here](#).