

1. Events

Event Details

Mobilities of people and things: the reconfigurations of consumption and lifestyle

Seminar

Start date : 27 October 2022 09:00
Date de fin : 28 October 2022 17:00

Where : Covilhã

Information sources :

<https://stnr.aps.pt/sociologia-consumo/living-in-mobilities-2022/>

The experience of confinement has indelibly shown us that, as much as we can increase the virtual experience, we continue to need things that circulate in physical and virtual space, that is, goods, products and ideas.

When we had to be confined, new landscapes of things imposed themselves on the space and time of circulation. When populations stopped, the mobility of things intensified, leading to new processes of transaction and displacement. Many things – such as food, medicines, clothes and utensils started to be purchased online, exponentially and transported by different delivery companies. Ecommerce and home delivery recorded record growth in times of covid.

The question we ask is_ And now? Have we changed the way we live? Have we changed our lifestyle? Is there still room for sociability around the table? Do we connect with others because of things that circulate through new processes of transaction and displacement? What relationship do these new mobilities of “things” have with new imaginaries of life, mobility and circulation? What changes have emerged in consumption habits? What changes lie ahead in the various economic sectors? These are some of the questions that we intend to reflect on in the Living[in] Mobilities 2022. The topics proposed for the organization of the sessions are the following, but proposals on other topics are accepted:

Mobilities, circuits and routes: Sketches, Maps, GPSs and APPs
Technology, cybercity and delivery
Speed, time, technology and transport
Ecommerce and process fluidization
Mobility of goods vs. people
Mobile and itinerant services
Mobility and(on) scale: from local to glocal
Mobility, virtuality, surveillance and security
Routines, practices and meeting places: from shopping malls to ecommerce
Distributors and couriers. Old professions with new contours
Virtual mobility, networks and technology
Home deliveries, unboxing and online collective effervescence
“Home Switch Home”: smart, sustainable and connected homes
Material culture and immaterial consumption: material goods, digital consumption
New consumer markets
Prosumers? Self-production and self-consumption in a domestic space
The (forced?) resurgence of apartment culture and new forms of consumption (news, food, movies, series);
Digital world and consumption practices
The domestic space as an aggregating element of consumption practices

Mobility

For the Mobile Lives Forum, mobility is understood as the process of how individuals travel across distances in order to deploy through time and space the activities that make up their lifestyles. These travel practices are embedded in socio-technical systems, produced by transport and communication industries and techniques, and by normative discourses on these practices, with considerable social, environmental and spatial impacts.

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Lifestyle

A lifestyle is a composition of daily activities and experiences that give sense and meaning to the life of a person or a group in time and space.

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Practical informations :

IMPORTANT DATES

1st September: Abstract submission

15th September: Inscription deadline

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7th October: Full paper deadline