

Curriculum Vitae

Dr. Mary H. Dellenbaugh-Losse



Education

2010 – 2013	Doctorate in Geography (Dr. rer. nat.) Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin – Berlin, Germany
2007 – 2010	Master of Landscape Architecture (M. A.) Hochschule Anhalt (FH) – Bernburg, Germany
2002 – 2006	Bachelor of Science in Forest Science (B. S.) University of New Hampshire – Durham, New Hampshire, USA

Current Position

Since 06/2016

Independent Urban Researcher, Consultant & Author

- Work Topics
 - **Commissioned research about urban development**, including spatial and statistical analysis, design and realization of interviews, surveys, questionnaires & focus groups with stakeholders and administrative actors, research and summary of best practice examples incl. transferability analysis, policy analysis and development of policy recommendations, reporting to political and administrative actors
 - **Project development and management for a range of funding streams**, including concept and budget development, grant writing, project implementation, controlling, financial and content reporting
 - **Design, Implementation, Moderation and Facilitation of Workshops, Conferences and Panels**
 - **Written and oral assessments, topical talks and presentations**
- Specific Skills: Intercultural communication, (digital) facilitation, (digital) event design and delivery, policy analysis, process management, design and delivery of inclusive participation formats (for example resident workshops, stakeholder roundtables, etc.), coaching, development and delivery of social media & communication strategies, project management
- Areas of Focus: Post-socialist urban development tendencies (in particular in the former GDR and Central and Eastern Europe), deindustrialization and post-industrial urban development, vacancy management, intermediate use, real estate markets, cultural and creative industries, urban commons, new forms of citizen engagement, citizen participation, social inclusion, gender equality
- Current and Recent Projects:
 - **Kultur im Grünen (2020-2021, for the Berlin Senate Department for the Environment, Transport and Climate Protection)**: Continuation of and expansion on the work started in the Model Space Project (2018-19), including round table discussions between administrative and cultural stakeholders and the development of a framework and toolkit (checklist, contract, website) for a simplified permitting process for non-commercial cultural activities in public space.
 - **Forth Meadow Community Greenway Dialogue & Engagement (2020, for Belfast City Council)**: Cross-community stakeholder dialogue and engagement work around the Forth Meadow Community Greenway, a PEACE IV project which will cross a fragmented part of West Belfast characterized by peace walls and a history of sectarian tension. This work focused on cross-community digital stakeholder engagement (both key stakeholders in various sectors and residents) and the development of recommendations for the management and governance structure and initial programming.

- **Current and Recent Projects (continued):**
 - **Lead Expert for the GenderedLandscape URBACT Action Planning Network** (2019–2022): Facilitating six cities in the incorporation of gender into urban policies and the development of six integrated action plans. The main topics of this work are labour market segregation, mobility, urban design, entrepreneurship, women in STEM, smart cities and gendered data.
 - **CIVACT - Promoting civic engagement among hard-to-reach youth through involvement in district development** (2018–2020, for the Lawaetz Foundation): Development of ten methods for engaging youths at risk of social exclusion in urban development questions as a first step toward getting them involved in democratic processes. This project included a needs analysis, methods database, curriculum, training for youth workers and district managers, good practice guidelines and policy recommendations. I wrote the project application and managed the project for the lead partner.
 - **The Model Space Project** (2018–2019, for the ClubCommission Berlin): Spatial, institutional and legal research about the conditions surrounding non-commercial free open-air parties in Berlin. Policy recommendations presented to the Senate Department for Culture and Europe and the Berlin Parliament.
 - **Reactivating Vacant Buildings - A Cross-Atlantic Pilot Study** (2018, funded by the German Marshall Fund): Analysis of best practice examples of incremental reactivation of large-scale vacant buildings and areas in German-American comparison.
- **Validated URBACT lead expert** (<http://urbact.eu/dellenbaugh>). Validated expertise in the design and delivery of transnational exchange and learning activities, as well as thematic expertise in integrated urban renewal (i.e. Commons, Heritage, Branding) and arts and culture (i.e. Creative Industries).
- **Member of the URBACT Digital Support Expert team.** Tasked with designing and delivering bespoke support to URBACT networks in digital facilitation and event design.
- **Founding Member of the Urban Research Group** (<http://urbanresearchgroup.org>) at the Georg Simmel Centre for Metropolitan Research.

Former Positions

04/2016 – 02/2017

Adjunct Lecturer

Freie Universität – Berlin, Germany

02/2015 – 05/2016

Project Coordinator & Consultant

Gesellschaft für soziale Unternehmensberatung (gsub) mbH – Berlin, Germany

02/2015 – 05/2016

Project Coordinator

MetropolisNet European Metropolis Employment Network EEIG – Berlin, Germany

12/2013 – 11/2014

Scientific Coordinator

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Integrative Research Institute on Transformations of Human-Environment Systems (IRI THESys) – Berlin, Germany

09/2013 – 02/2014

Postdoctoral Researcher

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Chair for Cultural and Social Geography – Berlin, Germany

Books

- Dellenbaugh-Losse, M. 2020. *Inventing Berlin: Architecture, Politics and Cultural Memory in the New/Old German Capital Post-1989*. Cham: Springer International.
- Dellenbaugh-Losse, M., Zimmermann, N.-E., and de Vries, N. 2020. *The Urban Commons Cookbook: Strategies and Insights for Creating and Maintaining Urban Commons*. Berlin.
- Dellenbaugh-Losse, M. 2017. *Städte Wandel durch Kultur*. Erfurt: Landeszentrale für politische Bildung Thüringen.
- Dellenbaugh, M., Kip, M., Bieniok, M., Müller, A. K. and Schwegmann, M. 2015. *Urban Commons: Moving beyond State and Market*. Basel: Birkhäuser.

Selected Talks

- **Panel discussion “Who and what makes the city?”** at the Futurium (a project funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education). 15 December 2020. <https://futurium.de/en/veranstaltung/stadtfestival-stadtleitbilder/stadtfestival-stadtleitbilder>
- **Presentation and panel discussion** in the European Week of Regions and Cities panel “Commons in European cities.” 15 October 2020. https://europa.eu/regions-and-cities/programme/sessions/1117_en
- **Presentation and panel discussion** in the European Week of Regions and Cities panel “Applying a gender lens to Cohesion Policy: What framework for equal opportunities?” 14 October 2020. https://europa.eu/regions-and-cities/programme/sessions/1084_en
- **Keynote “From participation to co-producing cities”** at the Oslo Urban Arena. 11 September 2020. <https://vimeo.com/466901819>
- **Webinar “Participatory Processes in the Post Pandemic City”** for Queens University Belfast. 9 June 2020. <https://urban-policy.com/2020/06/02/webinar-9-june-participatory-processes-in-the-post-pandemic-city/>
- **Presentation “Inclusive spaces: At the intersection of design, commoning, and citizen empowerment”** at the “Interface to Place: Remaking divisive lines into shared spaces” conference in Belfast, Northern Ireland. 12 August 2019). <https://urban-policy.com/2019/09/02/video-inclusive-spaces-talk-in-belfast/>
- **Presentation of the results and recommendations of the Model Space Project** at the Cultural Committee of the Berlin Parliament. 11 March 2019.
- **Panel discussion** at the conference “In search of affordable housing: A European challenge” in Bordeaux, organised by La Fabrique de la Cité. 7 November 2018.

Languages

English – native speaker :: **German** – C3 :: **French** – A2



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