

SOUTH AMERICAN CITIES: SECURING AN URBAN FUTURE



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Following in-depth analysis of New York, Shanghai, London, Mexico City, Johannesburg and Berlin – brought together in **The Endless City** book published earlier this year – the Urban Age in 2007 turned its attention to cities in India and now to São Paulo, Rio de Janeiro, Buenos Aires, Bogotá and Lima. In 2009, the focus will be on Istanbul and urban development in South-Eastern Europe, with a concluding Urban Summit and major exhibition in Berlin in 2010.

The South America Urban Age conference in São Paulo will be the largest and most complex of the series, bringing together 80 experts and civic leaders from over 25 cities from 14 countries. It follows a year of research and a series of workshops in London and São Paulo, as well as input drawn from submissions to the second annual Deutsche Bank Urban Age Award, created in 2007 to recognise and celebrate creative solutions to the challenges facing cities. Working closely with academic and institutional partners and by inviting speakers from around the world to share their urban experiences, the Urban Age conference offers a mirror to reflect on São Paulo's problems and opportunities at a time of intense social, political and economic change.

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