

The quest for the Natural City: the relevance of utopian thinking.

*Be careful what you wish for, your prediction might become a self-fulfilling prophecy!* Walter Dresscher emphasizes the importance of utopian thinking and a vision for the future. The future does not “bring us” anything, but we as a species create the future. So trying to predict the future is tricky business for it might become reality only because you predicted it. Walter Dresscher introduces another way of thinking, utopian thinking, where we shift from a prediction of a probable future to designing a desirable future. Together, with the latest technologies at hand. And no, utopia will never be build, but yes, it will inspire us to choose in what direction we should be headed.

The way that we adres land registry and mapping is vital for the future of cities. What kind of ideas can we develop with the help of the latest technologies (big data, smart cities etc.)? How can 3D registry create the working ground for The Natural City, a city that will not jeopardize human life on earth.



Question: Forget the probable future for our cities, what is the desirable future for our cities?