

The Second Round of Transition: Fighting Pitfalls of Neoliberal Urban Development



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1989 REFUSAL OF COMMUNISM

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1990s

BUILDING FREE MARKET CAPITALISM

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KUPÓNOVÁ PRIVATIZACE



URBAN RESTRUCTURING UNDER MARKET FORCES AND EU ENLARGEMENT

2000-2008

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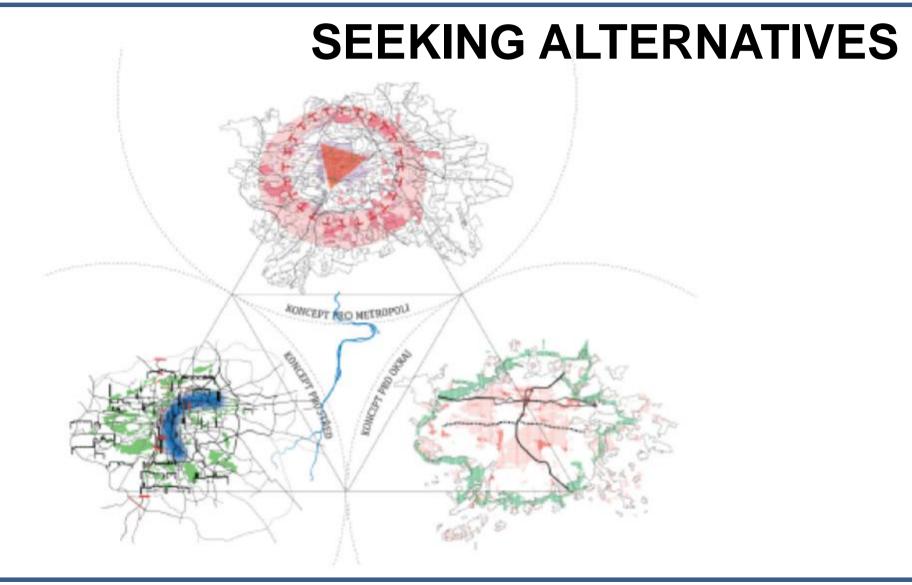
2009-2013

DISAPPOINTMENT, FRUSTRATION, UNCERTAINTY, LACK OF VISION

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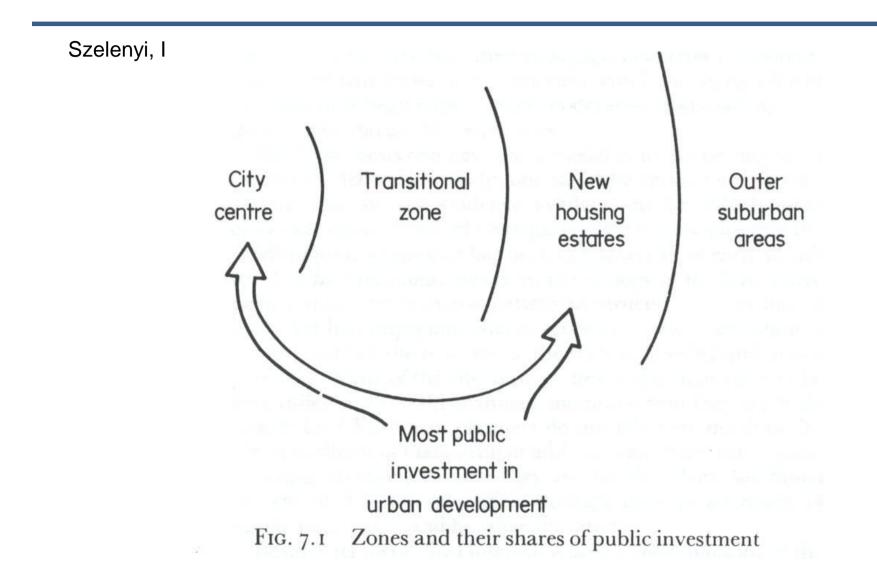
Socialist city

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Socialist city – socialist society

- The goal: socially just society
- Common ownership of means of production
- Allocation to everybody according to needs
- Central planning
 - Hierarchically organized political control and economic co-ordination
 - Socially just and economically efficient distribution of scarce resources

investment flows

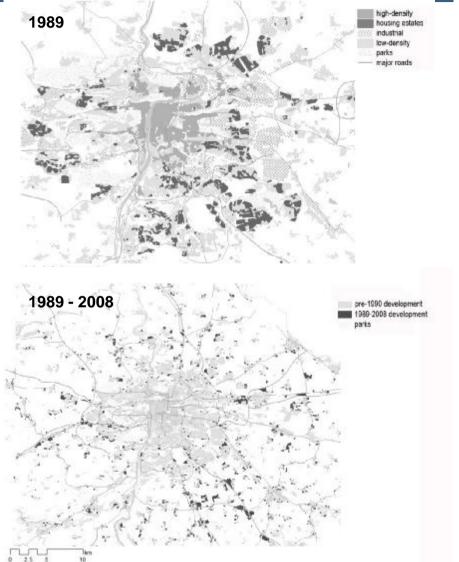


physical spatial structure

compact / dispersed morphology of new housing construction

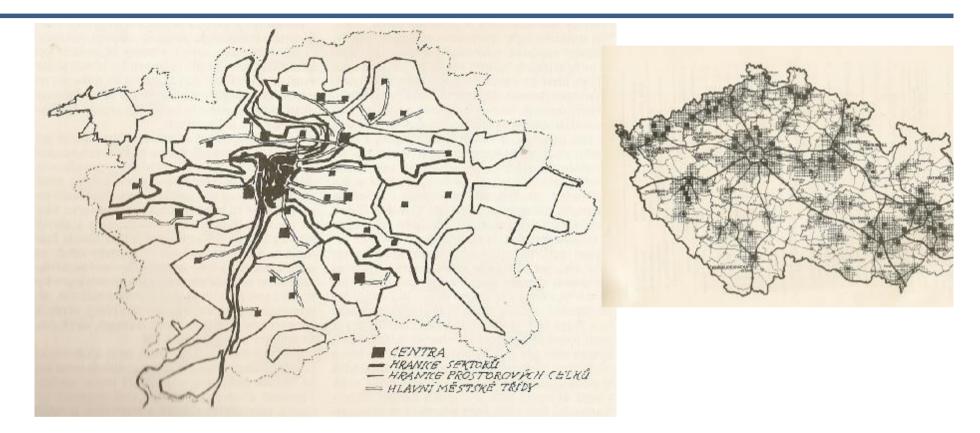


 What are the main differences in the spatial distribution of new housing construction in socialist and capitalist city?



functional spatial structure

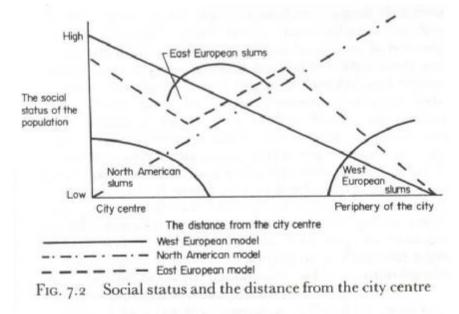
hierarchy of urban centers (W.Christaller theory of central places)

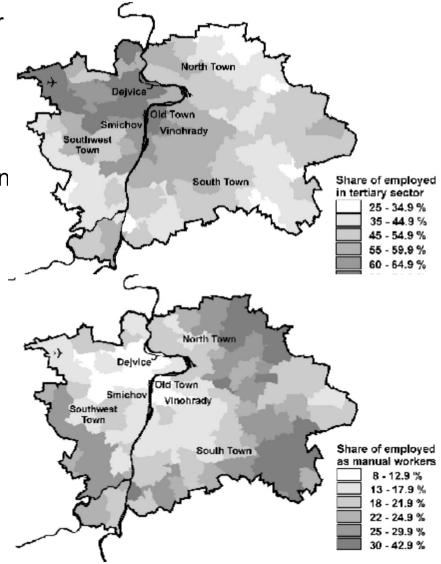


• What is the difference between the structure and system of centers in socialist and capitalist city?

social spatial structure segregation

- Socio-economic status less important for spatial differences in comparison with demographic status
- Lower level of segregation in comparison with western cities; elite most segregated; lower status population less segregated than elite; no ghettos (exception of Roma concentrations)

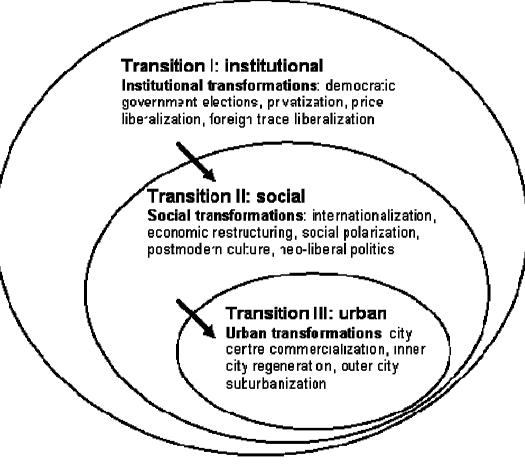




Postsocialist city

multiple transformations

- the principles of market allocation of resources and regulations based in democratic policy-making replaced central planning and totalitarian power
- mechanisms developed through actions and practices of actors reflecting newly established market principles (social processes and structures)
- urban spatial change through adaptation of urban environment to new conditions: new developments and transformations



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government-directed transformations Washington consensus and neoliberal guidance

- Democratic elections
- Liberalization of foreign trade
- Liberalization of internal markets
 - Liberalization of prices and rents
 - Privatization of state assets
- Government-directed transformation created internal environment compatible with capitalist society and linked local to global capitalism

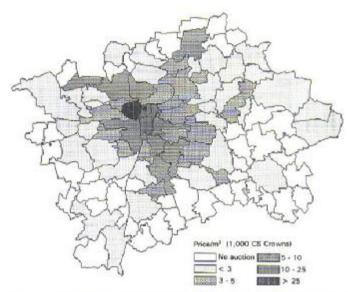


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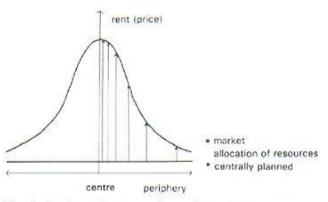


Fig. 4. A schematic comparison of rent curves under two different economic systems indicating dynamic change in restructuring urban space.

social transformations

globalization and local social urban restructuring

- internationalization: sectors of economy, labour market, property market, international migration
- economic restructuring: deindustrialization, growth in producer services, reindustrialization
- **social differentiation (polarisation)**: socioeconomic / income inequality, socio-cultural inequality, legal inequality, discrimination, xenophobia, material and symbolic exclusion
- postmodern culture: individualism, consumerism, second demographic transition, fordist / elitist consumption
- neoliberal politics: deregulation and decentralization, local economic development, individual projects x long-term planning



city in transition socio-spatial transformations

- political and economic principles have been changed quickly
- urban spatial structures have high inertia
- the adaptation of urban environment to new societal conditions
- the city of capitalist rules
- the city of socialist legacies



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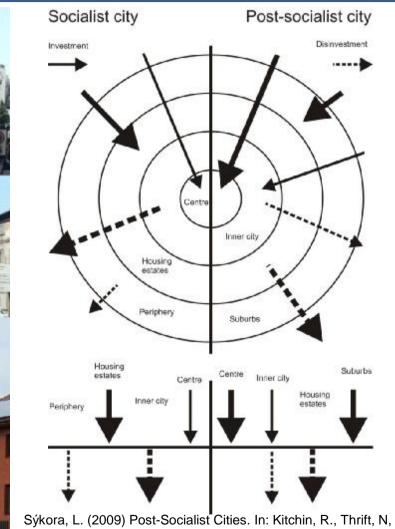
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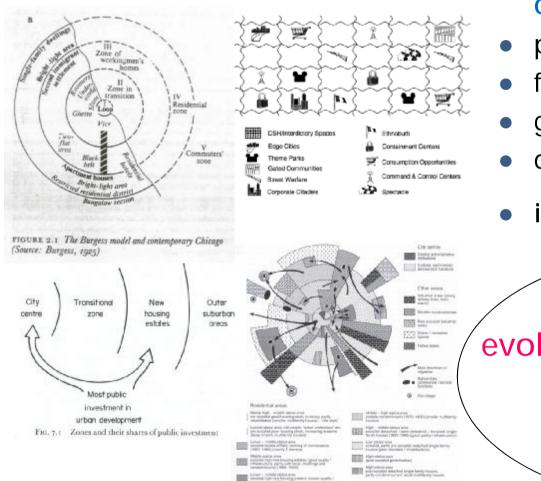
revolutionary changes



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dynamics of urban change

• city and urban structure



- principles and mechanisms of urban change
- population preferences
- firms, capital, profit
- governments, public interest
- discourse and representation
- institutions



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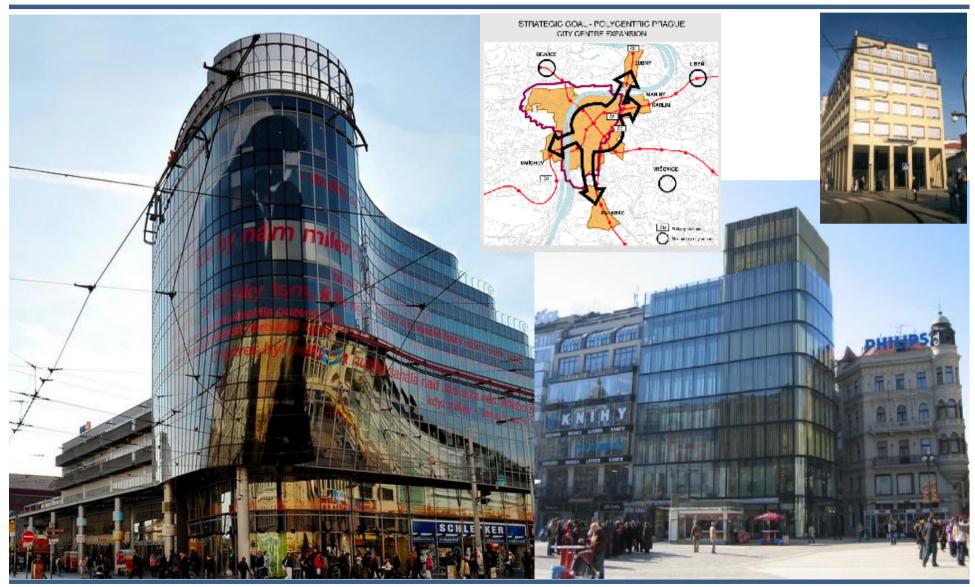
Prague: urban spatial transformations

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transformations in urban spatial structure

- focus on **processes** and transforming **localities**
- focus on the most radical changes and new landscapes formed under new conditions
- the reinvention, commercialization and spatial expansion of city centers
- the dynamic revitalization of some areas within the overall stagnation in inner cities
- the radical transformation of outer cities and urban hinterland through commercial and residential suburbanization

commercialization of city centre



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commercialization of the city centre

- Property restitution
- Demand for commercial premises associated with the growth in no. of firm headquarters, producer services, retail and tourism
- Supply of premises by western investors
- Office, retail, hotels
- Refurbished and new



commercialization / revitalization

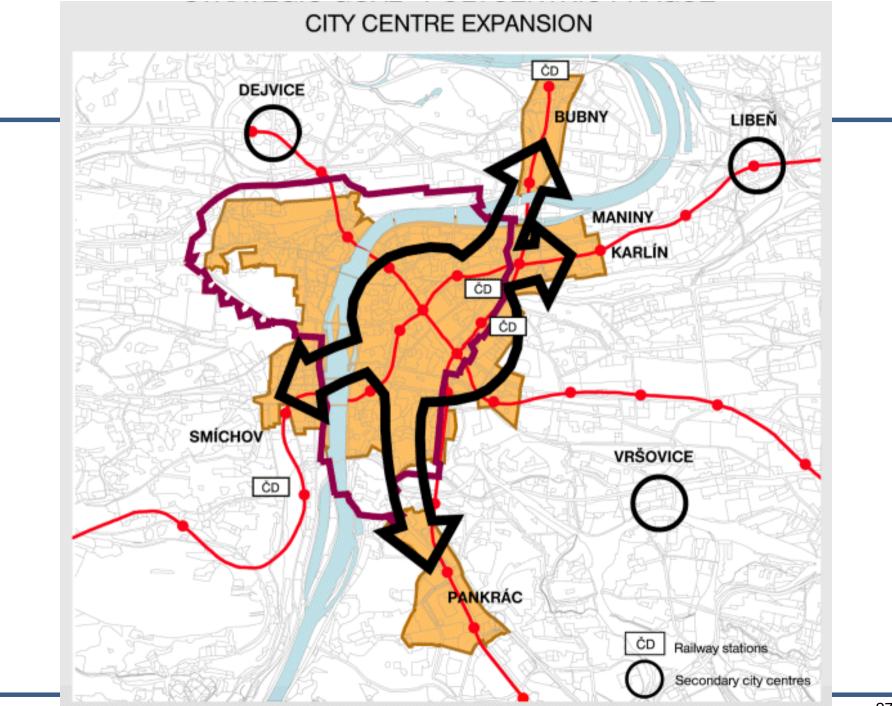


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impacts of commercialization

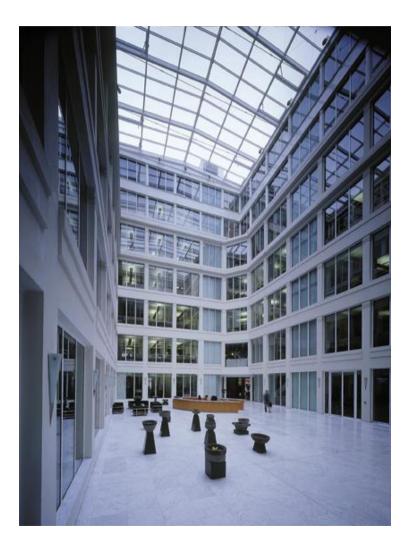
- More economically efficient land-use
- Physical revitalization
- Densification
- Depopulation
- Increased traffic
- Conflicts with historical heritage





revitalization in inner city

- New business nodes and small residential districts in inner city
- Gentrification (residential)
- Condominiums
- Gated communities
- Brownfield redevelopment
- Waterfront (re)development
- New retail and entertainment
- Out-of-centre office clusters



gentrification



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gentrification

- spatially selective
- foreigners-led business
- specific niche of Prague's property market
- no pioneer stage
- no social conflict





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condominium districts



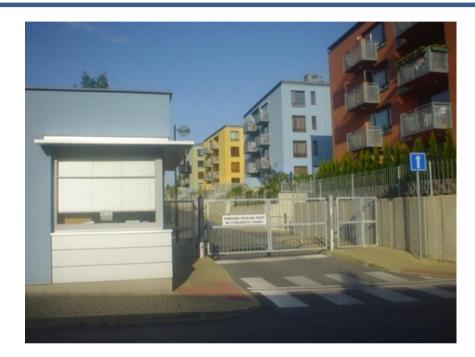
condominium districts

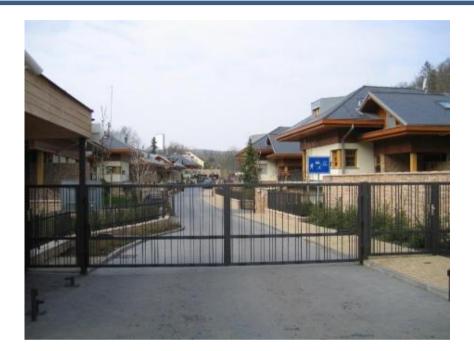
- Various locations
- In-fills of individual buildings to existing structure
- New residential districts
- Domestic yuppies and returned emigrants

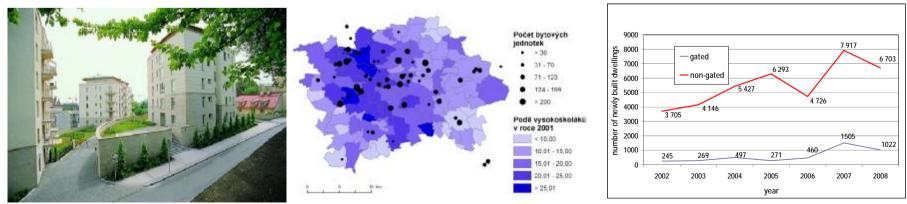


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gated communities



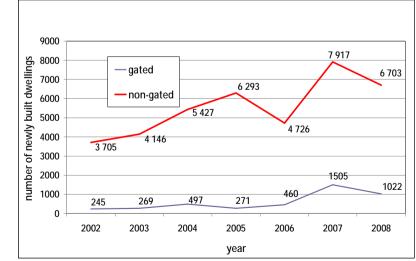




gated communities

- growth from 2002
- untill 2004 only luxury housing
- from 2004 middle class population
- from 2007-2008 explosion of gated communities in Prague (15 % of the total dwellings construction)
- investors and developers provide product for specific segment in the market – a niche of gated communities represented as a perfect place for living
- residents were willing to pay premium for living in an exclusive and secure environment





immigrant neighborhoods



new immigrant neighborhoods

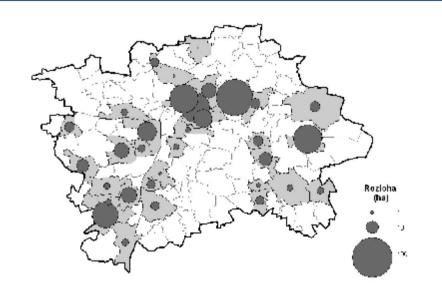
- from ethnically homogenous city to encountering cultural difference
- 15% foreign born population, socio-economically highly differentiated from managerial and professional class to guest workers in industries and services
- issue of segregation x inclusion
- everyday embodied convivial encounter x racism in symbolic representations and public discourses
- learning living in multicultural city and neighborhoods



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brownfield redevelopment



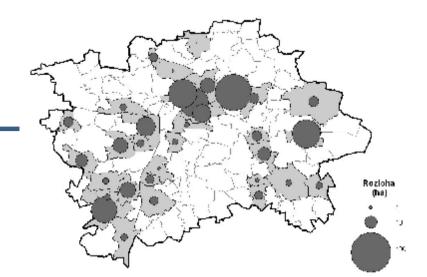




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brownfield redevelopment

- Unused or partial use: 11,7 % of built up area
- Commercial property driven regeneration: office and retail
- Spatially selective: close to the centre areas first
- Availability of land x ownership problems
- Public-private partnership and EU Structural Funds







waterfront (re)development



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waterfront (re)development

- New developments in 2000+ (office, housing)
- River-port redevelopment
- Post-industrial waterfront brownfield redevelopment



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new retail and entertainment nodes



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• Complexes containing shopping mall with hypermarket, multiplex cinema and other entertainment facilities



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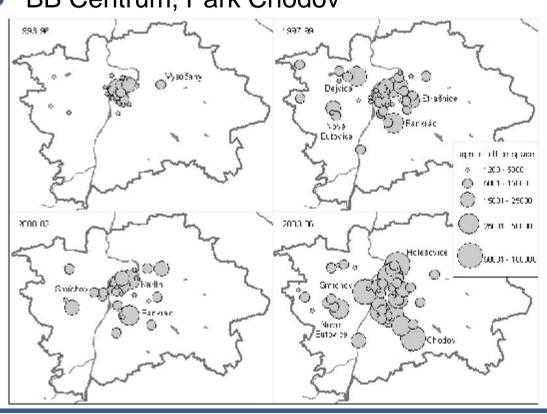
out-of-centre office clusters



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out-of-centre office clusters

- Decentralization since 1997
- Locations close to highways and airport
- Cheap, modern and flexible office spaces for expanding firms that do not need to be present in centre
- BB Centrum, Park Chodov



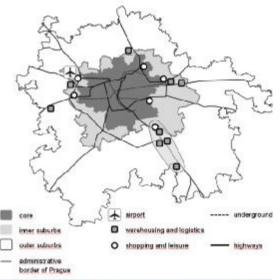


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suburbanization









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residential suburbanization

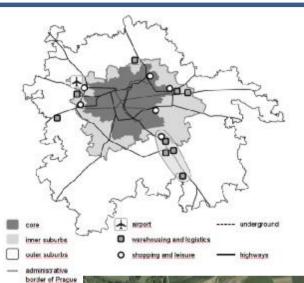
- Individual homebuilders as well as whole districts made by one developer
- High incomes in Prague / state supported mortgages
- Changing socio-spatial pattern in metropolitan area
- Social polarization in suburban localities



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non-residential suburbanization in city regions

- international firms expanding on Czech markets
- retail: regional shopping power centres on the edge of compact city – new central place between the city and expanding suburbs
- logistic parks: Prague: central location for western part of Czechia, Prague and Central Bohemia as major market in country
- **new industrial zones**: in regional cities while the capital city strengthens its role as command and control centre





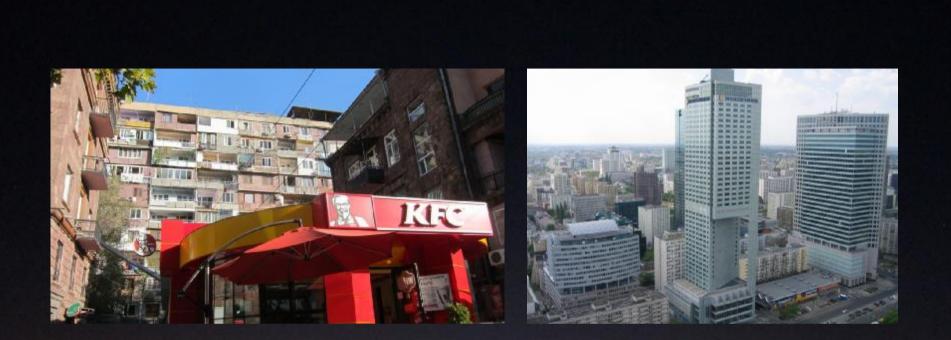


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Post-socialist cities, global capitalism and planetary urbanization



we are part of planetary urbanization and global urbanism
because we are part of global capitalism



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postsocialist urbanization global capitalist urbanization

- similar forms of market-led urban development around the world
- the spread of gated communities, suburbs, etc. is linked with the expansion of capitalism as a dominant socioeconomic order
- similarity in spatial outcomes: the social practices of firms, households, and governments under the conditions of neoliberal global capitalism
- in postsocialist CEE, the neoliberal free market capitalism has guided economic reforms and shaped social practices - created optimal conditions for suburbanization, gentrification, segregation, ...
- interplay between global neoliberal capitalism and local legacies

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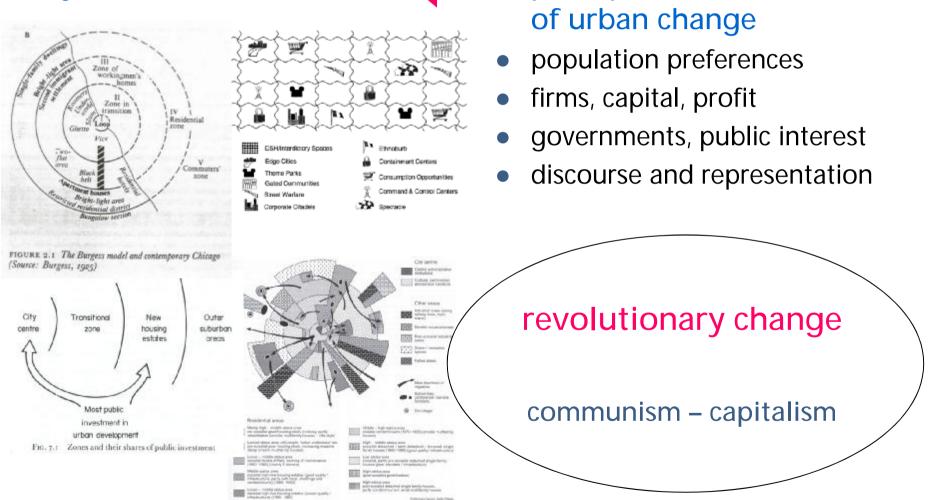
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TRANSFORMATION IS UNFINISHED PROJECT

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urban organization urban change and its dynamics

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principles and mechanisms

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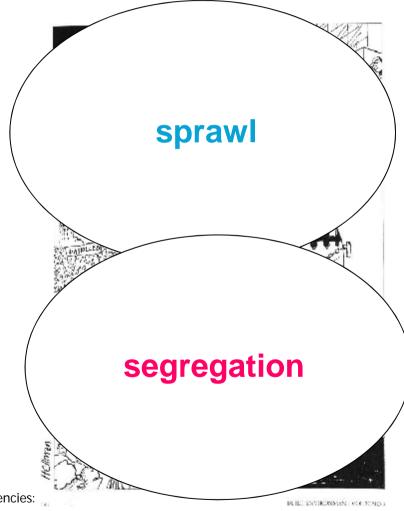
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- principles and mechanisms of urban change
 - population preferences
 - firms, capital, profit
 - governments, public interest
 - discourse and representation
 - societal development
 - social inequalities, inclusion and exclusion, social justice
 - sustainability
 - competitiveness and smart development
 - participation in governance (right to the city)

revolutionary changes and new path dependencies forward look of critical urban studies and practice

- new developments may lead to the formation of new path-dependent lock-ins
- the problematic developments may be avoided if alternative development paths are taken sooner rather than later
- anticipate, critically evaluate and provide normative suggestions about the development paths
- multiplicity of critical junctures: choices that will impact the urban development for years
- fostering possible alternative paths:
 - compact and less sprawling city
 - more socially mixed and cohesive and less segregated city

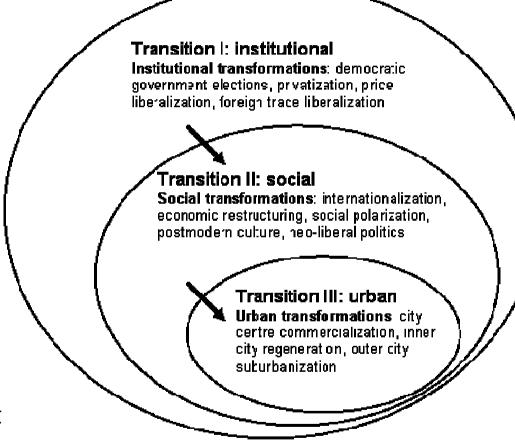


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transition and multiple transformations sequence of transformations

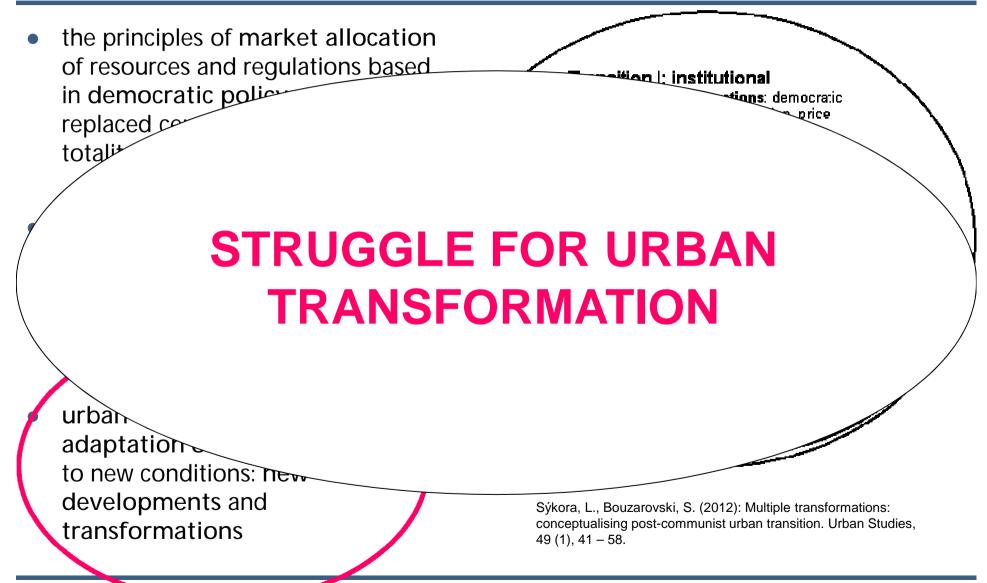
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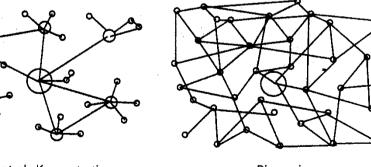
SUBURBANIZATION AND SPRAWL

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compact city, decentralized concentration or sprawl?

- good starting conditions: compact urban morphology after socialism
- can we **lean** from the experience elsewhere ?
- do not we lose our **chance** ?





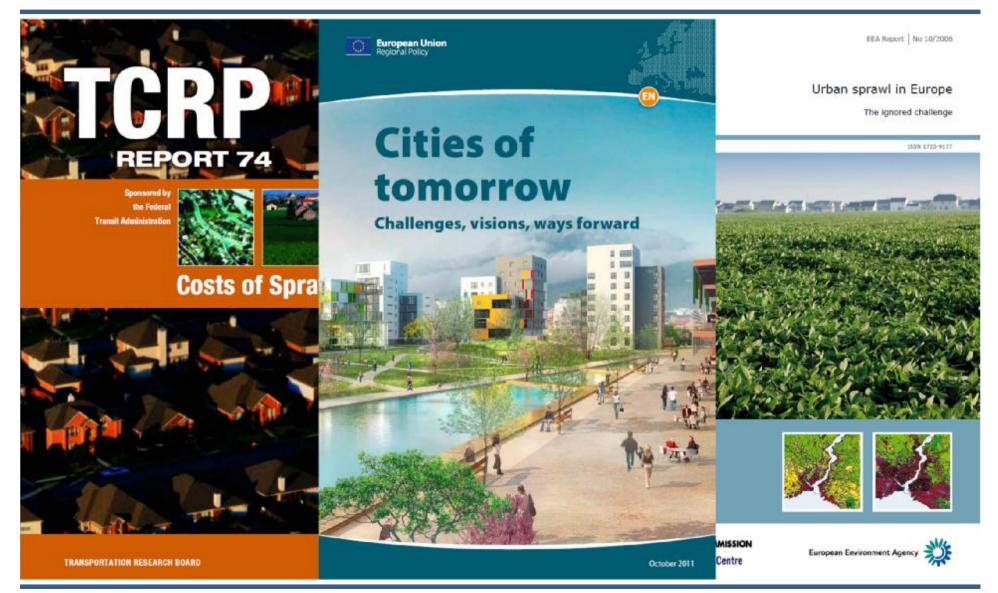
Dezentrale Konzentration

Dispersion

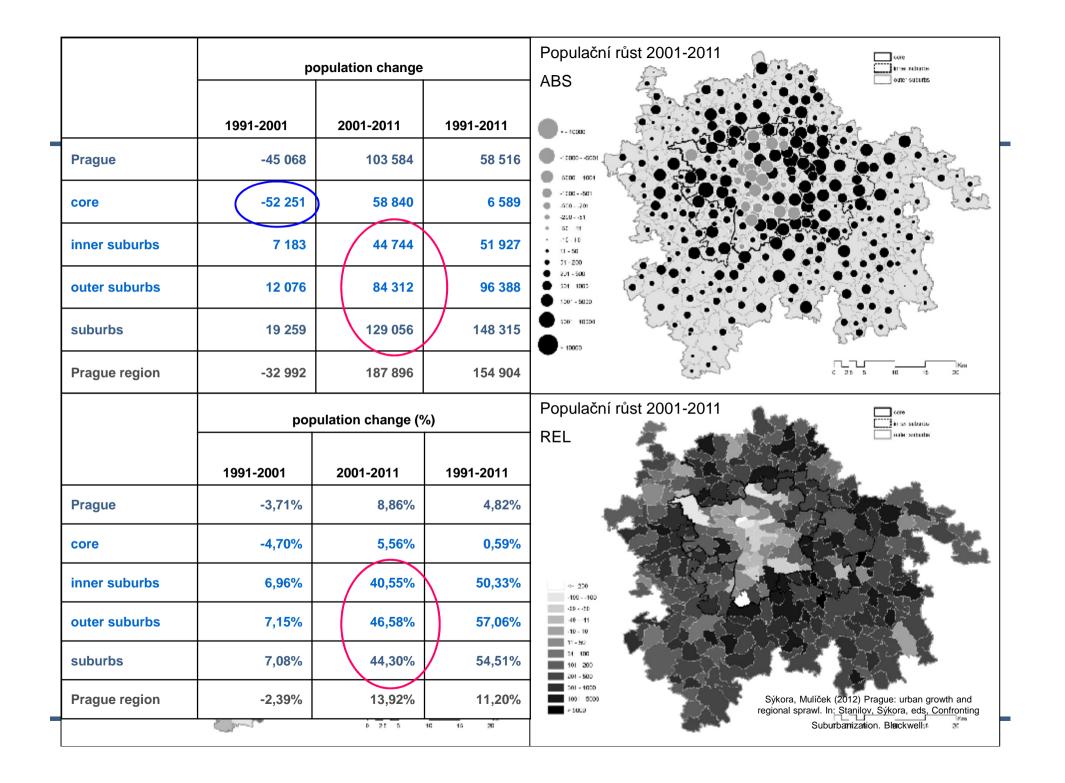
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SPRAWL economic, social and environmental consequences



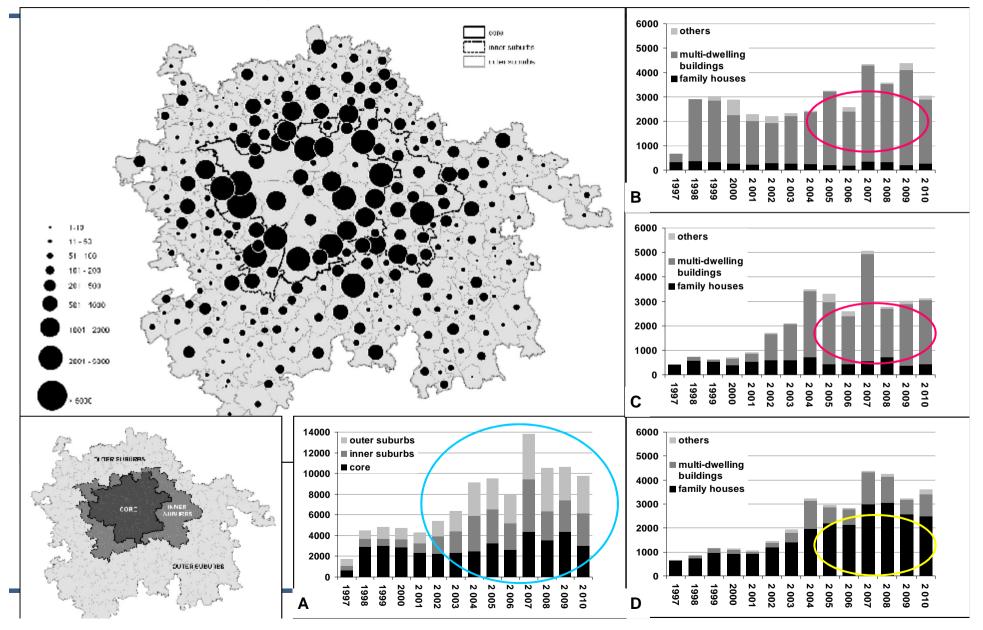
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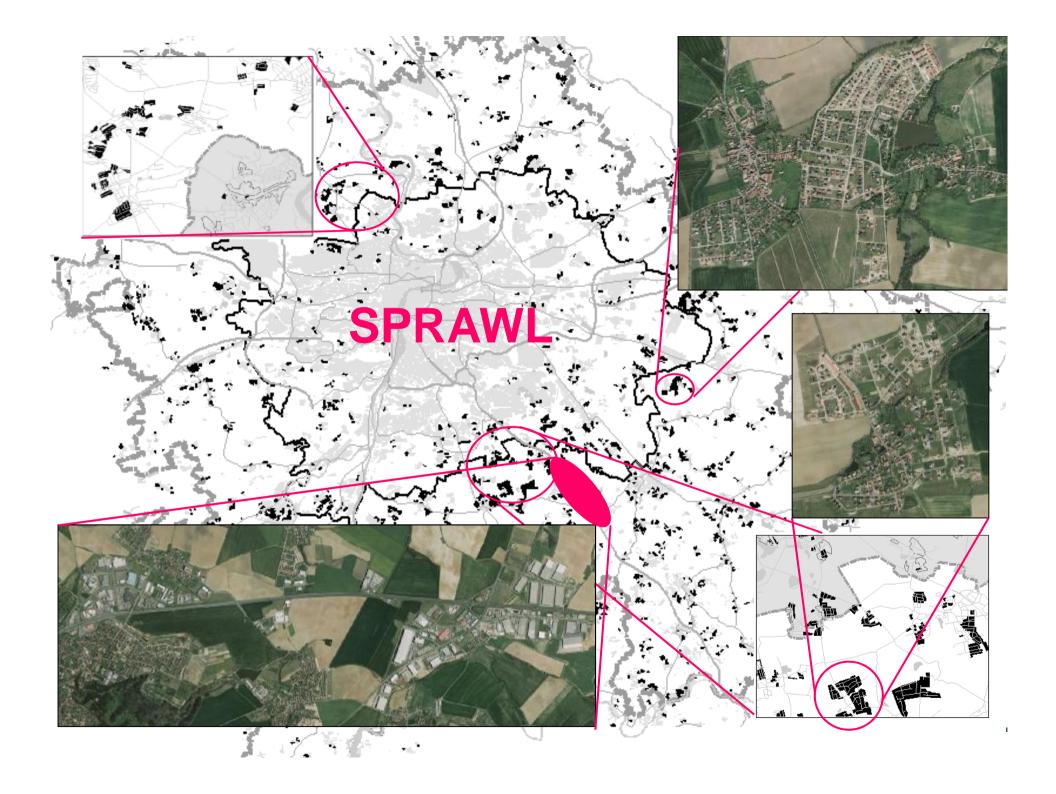


Housing construction

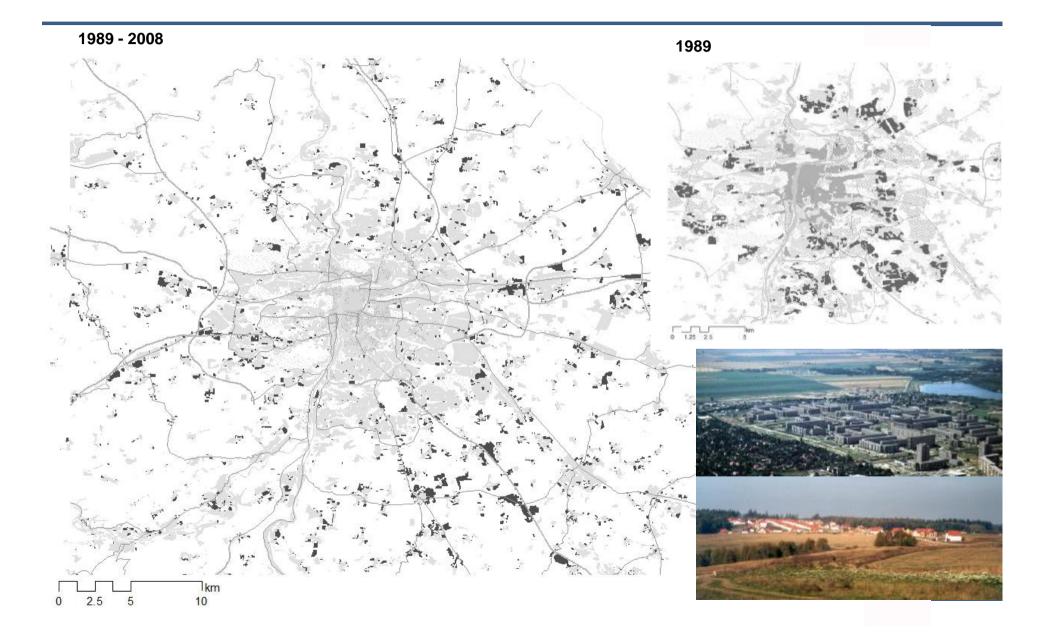
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completed dwellings 1997–2010



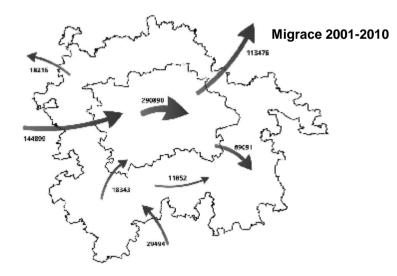


postsocialist sprawl – socialist housing estates

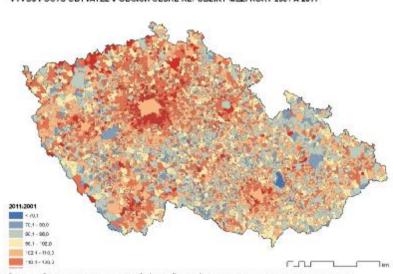


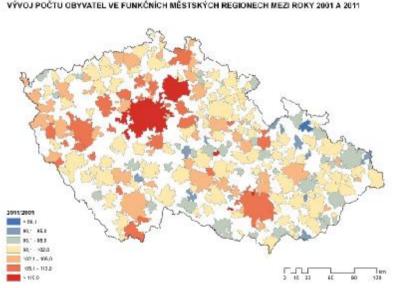
conditions are not causes of sprawl

- economic development and imigration purchasing power of large population
- **struktural imbalance** at housing market preference for single-family homes
- expansion of international firms
- economies of scale, scope and agglomeration – need for large and accessible plots for development



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market and territorial governance individual and public interests

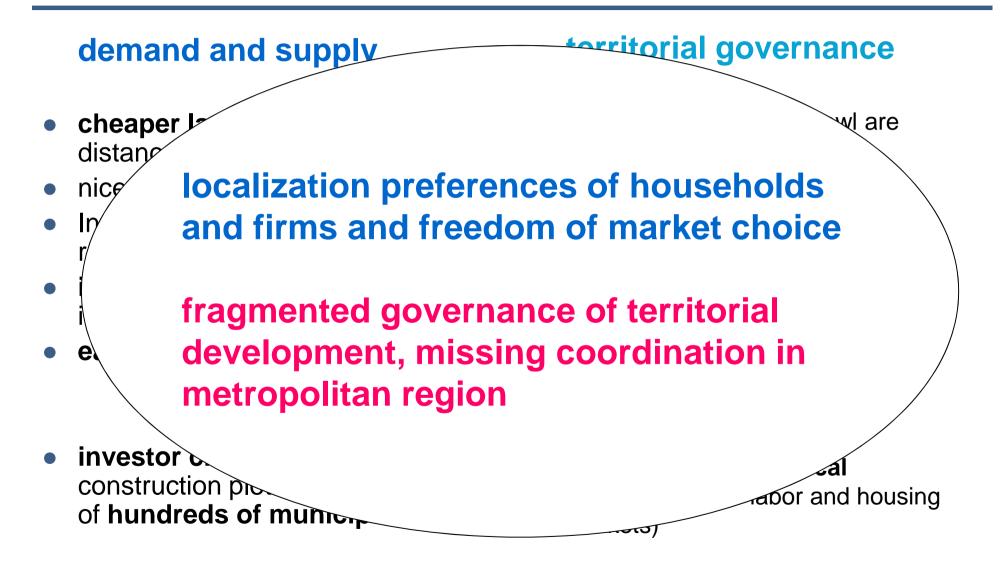
demand and supply

- **cheaper land** with growing distance
- nicer physical **environment**
- Interests of land owners to sell restituted properties
- interest of municipalities attract investors and population
- easier and faster construction
- **investor chooses** from supply of construction plots on the territories of **hundreds of municipalities**

territorial governance

- suburbanization and sprawl are regional processes
- development is controlled by municipalities: over 200 in city region – competition between municipalities and with Prague
- development is not controlled at regional or national levels
- decision-making does not conform to geographical organization (of labor and housing markets)

market and territorial governance individual and public interests

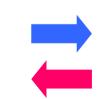


path dependency and teritorial "lock in"

- neoliberal capitalism
- fragmented local government
 - historic settlement structure
 - decentralization to municipalities
 - interests of local politicians
- passive national and regional governments

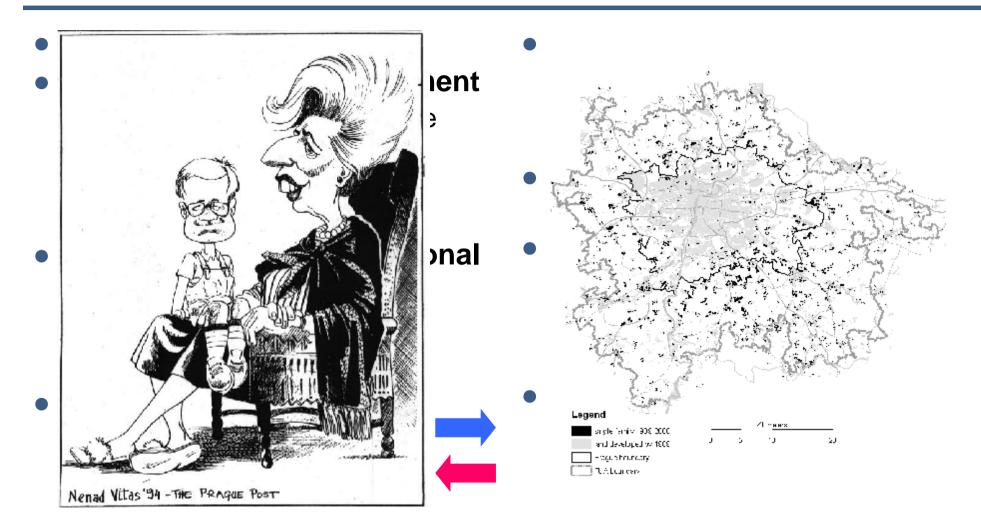
- suburbanization and sprawl long term spatially fixed investments and people in landscape
- high inertia of settlement structures
- **irreversible changes**, impacting future generations

 path dependency: institutions of territorial development



 path dependency: structure of urban and regional system

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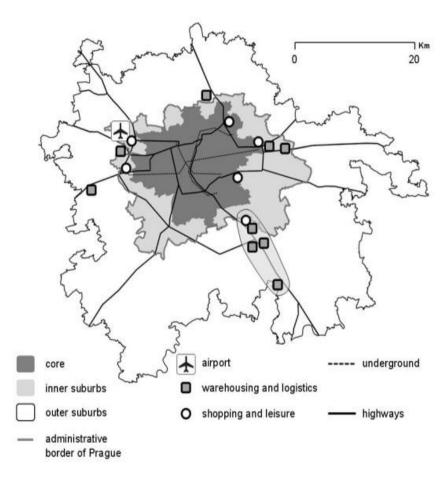
territorial "lock-in"

POLYCENTRICITY OR MONOCENTRIC CENTRALIZATION

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suburbanization and job deconcentration formation of polycentric metropolis (?)

- establishment and growth of new suburban employment centers (shopping parks, warehousing districts and industrial premises)
- job decentralization and transformation from monocentric cities with dependent rural hinterlands to poly-centric city regions
- plurality of hierarchical and reciprocal relations between the core city, new suburban job centers and commuting settlements in urban hinterlands

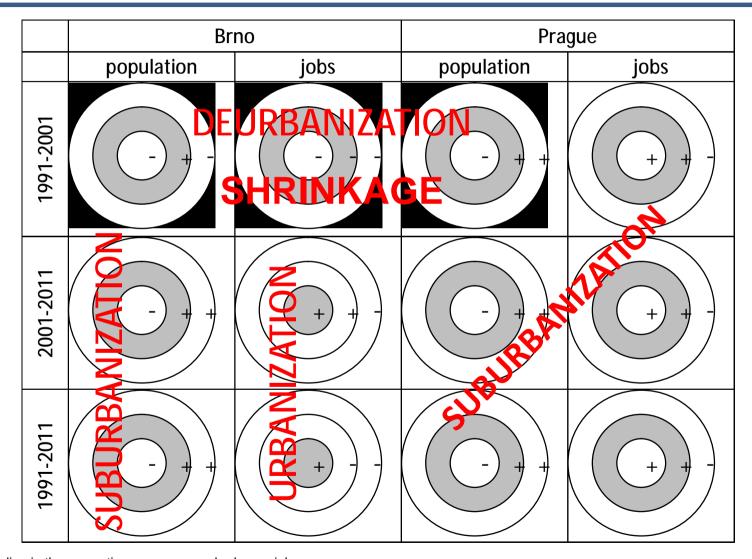


cores lose population and gain jobs

70.00% 60,00% 50,00% population jobs 40,00% 30,00% core suburbs 20.00% periphery 10,00% FUA ■ MR 0,00% Prague Brno Prague Brnd -10,00% -20,00% -30,00% -40,00%

1991-2011

Prague and Brno forms of urban development



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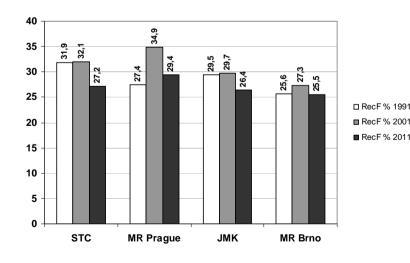
+/- growth/decline in the respective zone: core, suburbs, periphery grey in zone: zone with the highest relative growth / gain in its proportion on the region black in background: decline of the whole region

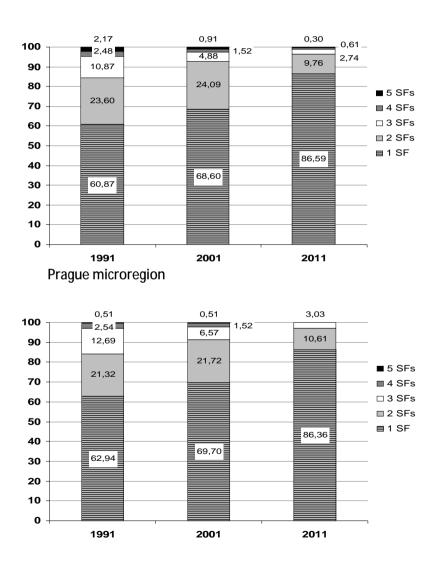
centralization of job markets increasing proportion of Praha / Brno on commuting flows

	1991	2001	2011
Praha MR all	60,88%	68,66%	72,46%
Brno MR all	56,24%	59,02%	64,03%
Praha MR destination	70,90%	77,06%	79,15%
Brno MR destination	64,68%	68,63%	71,66%
Praha FUA all	70,39%	74,64%	76,98%
Brno FUA all	65,15%	66,44%	70,41%
Praha FUA destination	77,49%	81,23%	82,08%
Brno FUA destination	71,94%	74,69%	77,03%

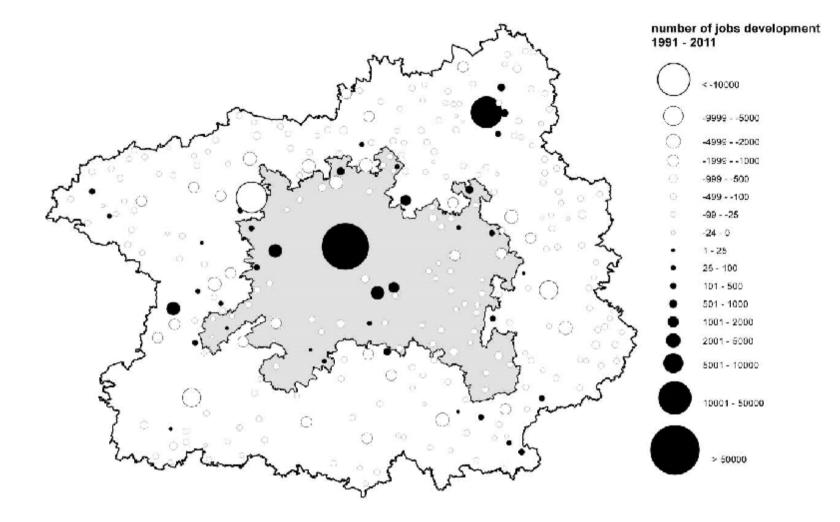
decreasing level of reciprocity and multidirectionality

- proportion of municipalities with larger number of outgoing significant flows is decreasing
- decline in the no. of centers, which are destinations of significant flows
- the share of reciprocal flows on total flows increased in 1991-2001, while decreased in 2001-2011





Prague 1991-2011 the geography of job growth and decline



two forces, two patterns, one outcome

- (A) few instances of new suburban job centers new capitalist suburban economy
- (B) many instances of job decline in former job centers socialist legacy confronted by capitalist economy

- large centers strengthen position small disappear from the map
- **spatial selectivity** of market processes under capitalism

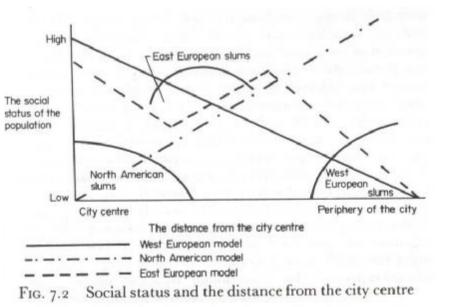
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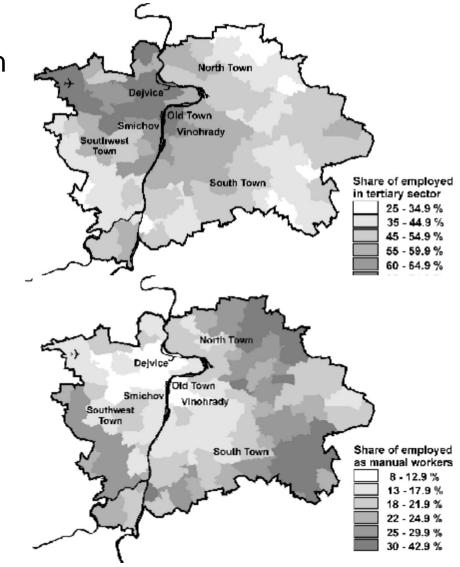
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socialist city

homogenous social spatial structure

- socio-economic status less important for spatial differences in comparison with demographic status
- **lower level of segregation** in comparison with western cities





post-socialist city and segregation expected changes in socio-spatial structure

- conditions for segregation
 - social inequality
 - differentiated housing supply
 - **liberal approach** to urban and housing development
- social polarization

segregation

- localities of segregation
 - gated communities
 - socially excluded localities
- segregation processes
 - gentrification
 - ghettoization
 - suburbanization



segregation new socio-spatial formations



consequences of segregation

- reproduction of inequalities, deprivation, poverty, concentrations of wealth – formation of closed worlds
- reproduction of socio-spatial disparities and segregation formation of parallel worlds



emerging immigrant and multiethnic places

- diverse situations in immigrant concentrations
 - places of ethnic economy with ethnic networks and institutions (Vietnamese entrepreneurs and residents in Praha-Libuš)
 - tourism and business oriented places with diverse groups of lifestyle and economic immigrants (Russian speaking investors, entrepreneurs, laborers and consumers in Karlovy Vary)
 - foreign labor residential concentrations in the vicinity of manufacturing plants (East European guest workers in Pardubice)



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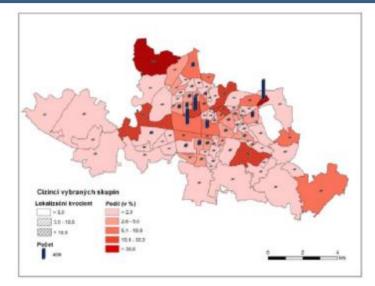
new immigrant neighborhoods Vietnamese in Praha-Libuš

- from ethnically homogenous city to encountering cultural difference
- 15% foreign born population, socio-economically highly differentiated from managerial and professional class to selfemployed and low wage workers
- no residential segregation
- everyday embodied convivial encounter x racism in symbolic representations and public discourses
- learning living in multicultural city and neighborhoods
- fighting **xenophobia**



concentrations of guest workers Hůrka in Pardubice

- former military **barracks**
- 800 inhabitants, 97 % foreigners from Central and Eastern Europe (Bulgaria, Slovakia, Poland, Rumania)
- manual workers in Foxconn precarious labor conditions
- poor housing and environment
- physically separated and socially segregated
- local interaction with majority:
 - **negative perception** of locality and inhabitants
 - xenophobic and racist discourse
 - **no open conflicts** in everyday interaction
 - immigrants perceive mutual contact **positively**, and do not experience systematic discrimination
- fighting poverty, segregation and xenophobia





summary: diverse situations

convivial encounters and racialised discourse

- unique and divese situations
 - segregation to incorporation
 - opportunities at the local economy
 - variagated composition of immigrants
- common issues
 - developing everyday convivial encounters
 - persistence of racialised discourses (negative perception and representations of immigrants by majority)
 - socially and culturally homogenous population is learning everyday encounter with difference

TRANSFORMATION IS UNFINISHED PROJECT

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WE LIVE IN CAPITALIST CITY IN CAPITALIST SOCIETY

BUT

IT IS NOT MATURE SOCIETY

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CHALLENGES SPRAWL

FRAGMENTED LOCALLY BASED PLANNING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

(MISSING) INTEGRATED METROPOLITAN GOVERNANCE, HORIZONTAL AN VERTICAL COORDINATION

CHALLENGES SEGREGATION

XENOFOBIA, STEREOTYPES, ASSIMILATION POLICIES BASED ON US KNOWING WHAT THEY SHOUL FULFILL

LIVING TOGETHER IN SOCIALLY AND ETHNICALLY DIVERSIFIED SOCIETY

VESTED INTERESTS OF POLITICIANS, INVESTORS, OWNERS, INHABITANTS IN SUSTAINING THE CURRENT MODE OF SOCIAL AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

PRACTICES OF DELEGITIMIZATION OF OTHERS AND OPPONENTS

MISSING CONSENSUS

INDIVIDUAL INTERESTS

PUBLIC INTEREST

EXCLUSIVE DISCOURSES AND ACTIONS OF INDIVIDUALS / PRESSURE GROUPS

MISSING LONG-TERM, HOLISTIC AND INCLUSIVE STRATEGIES

URBANIZATION IS NOT SIMPLY A REFLECTION OF THE PREFERENCES OF INDIVIDUAL HOUSEHOLDS AND FIRMS **OR INDIVIDUAL INTEREST GROUPS IT IS SOCIETAL CHOICE: MUTUAL RECOGNITION, RESPECT AND NEGOTIATION**

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critical urban practice and activism

- critical reflection of current social and urban development practices
- new left and issues of social and socio-spatial justice
- plurality and inclusiveness: ethnic and sexual minorities, right to the city ...
- thinking of and fighting for alternatives of capitalism
- new generation, new values x modernist concept of a single city
- bearing on knowledge and inspiration from the west different from Washington consensus issues
- alternative mechanism to "distributional rationality" of markets yet it
- contributes to the institutional thickness and institutional reform of "free market" capitalism of 1990s – fostering the stability of capitalist order

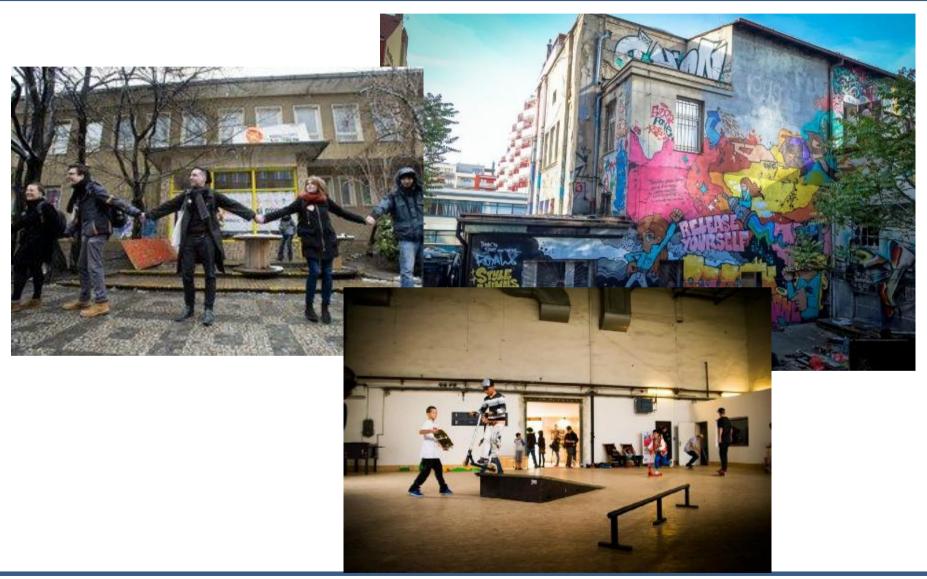
city of automobile – city of bicycle city of developers – city of citizens city of segregation – multicultural city of convivial encounter

socially excluded localities



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places of alternative culture



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WHERE ARE WE NOW ?

THE SECOND ROUND OF TRANSITION

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FIRST ROUND CONDITIONS AND PRINCIPLES OF CAPITALISM

SECOND ROUND WHAT KIND OF CITY ? WHAT KIND OF SOCIETY ?

seeking and practicing alternatives contestation - collaboration

- protest and resistance (against capitalism, elites, political establishment, ...)
- alternative cultural movements and spaces
- neighborhood **associations**
- urban grassroots movements and activism (housing, transportation, planning and development)
- participatory practices in planning and development
- new political movements and parties: growth of populist parties, green and left alternatives, neoliberal and neoconservative right
- involvement in the **local** and national **politics**
- local/national struggles for the power to design new urbanism and urban policies

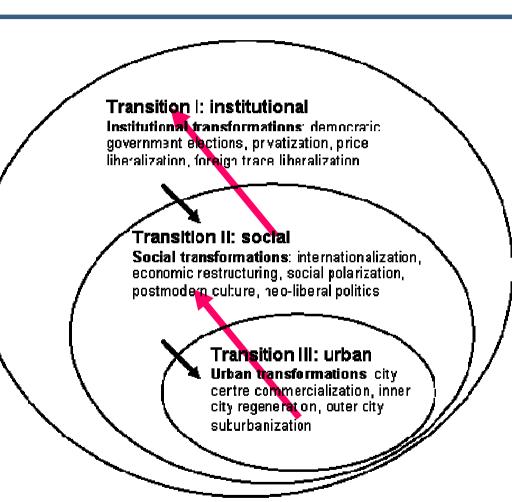
'clocks' metaphor

The total process of constitutional reform takes at least six months; a general sense that things are moving up as a result of economic reform is unlikely to spread before six years have passed; the third condition of the road to freedom is to provide the social foundations which transform the constitution and the economy from fair-weather into all-weather institutions which can withstand the storms generated within and without, and sixty years are barely enough to lay these foundations. ... The hour of the lawyer and the hour of the politician mean little without the hour of the citizen.

Dahrendorf, **R**. (1990) Reflections on the revolution in Europe: in a letter intended to have been sent to a gentleman in Warsaw, 1990. Chatto & Windus, London, p. 92-93.

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- formal and informal institutions that regulate capitalist society, (market) allocation and (democratic) policy-making: building institutional thickness and fostering reform
- practices of people, firms and organizations reflecting newly emerging capitalist realities: perception and evaluation of urban change
- urban spatial change under capitalist condition and socialist legacies



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