Seminar

Tuesday February 22nd 2022

16:00 | Aula Astengo and Online

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Open Source Dissemination and Radical Publishing

Most academic journals are owned by commercial publishing houses and organized according to journal rankings and impact

factors. In this way, publicly funded research stays locked behind paywalls and within university libraries. The Radical Housing Journal is among journals that stubbornly follows the principle of radical open access in always changing academic landscape. It was founded in 2016 as a transdisciplinary and transnational open-access platform for conceptualising housing experiences, geographies and politics as a fundamentally political question, inseparable from everyday practices of inhabiting space and challenging the forces that make the world unhomely and uninhabitable. Since then, the journal has published six peer-reviewed issues with a seventh on the way, bringing together scholars and activists across the globe and promoting a distinctive approach to geographies of housing and urban dwelling, based on situated and action-orientated ethos. In this seminar, we want to raise questions about radical publishing and open source dissemination and how these practices make possible radical forms of thinking about housing geographies, housing struggles and dwelling worldwide. We want to reflect on what does it mean when a journal is run by a collective not associated with any institution or publishing company. And to explore promises and challenges of self-organising for radical publishing and radical knowledge production including what is radical in all of this.

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