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Developer obligations: universal dilemmas, differing approaches

Planning agencies in many countries face similar dilemmas: How to meet the changing and rising needs for public services and amenities. Governments across the world are increasingly calling on developers to carry some of the burden. Professor Alterman will report on her path-breaking cross-national research about the different approaches to develop obligations and the similarities and difference in the legal challenges they encounter.

Speaker Bio:

Rachelle Alterman, a graduate of the University of Manitoba, was recently selected as one of 16 global "leaders in planning thought" whose academic autobiographies are published in "Encounters in Planning Thought" (Routledge publishers, 2017). She was selected for her pioneering contribution to the establishment of the interdiscipinary field of planning and law.

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Dr. Alterman is the Founding President of the International Academic Association on Planning, Law and Property Rights. Her research interests include comparative planning law and land use regulation, land policy and property rights, housing policy, and implementation analysis. She is highly published and cited, and is frequently invited for guest lectures in scores of countries. As a recognition of her special contribution to global planning scholarship and education, she was named Honorary Member of the Association of European Schools of Planning (among only 6 awarded this distinction, and the only non-European). She has also received the highest national academic awards in Israel.

Rachelle Alterman regularly shares her knowledge not only within Israel, but also internationally with UN Habitat, the World Bank, the OECD, as well as the Chinese, Catalan and Dutch government offices and research institutes in the planning field.

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