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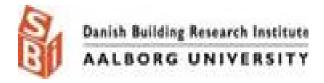
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Overcoming the crisis - integrating the urban environment

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Keywords

- Troubled housing estates
- Large housing estates
- Improvement schemes

- Housing policy
- Examples

Utopia lost! - The situation in the 1980s

- Urban renewal in the private sector
- Troubled SH estates
- Building programmes in place after WW2

 The universal model - CIAM, 1933; Congres Internationaux d'Architecture Moderne

Troubled housing estates in Denmark

Comprehensive schemes since 1985

- Physical improvements
- Social activities
- Residents involvement
- Communication, a better image
- Residents with more resources!
 new assignment rules

National Building Fund established 1966

Troubled estates in other countries

- An Europe wide issue
- The transition countries

Sweden, UK, Ireland, The Netherlands, Germany, France, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary etc.

The present situation in DK

 From focusing on stigmatisation and political image making to a renewed stage of investments in renovations and social efforts

 The social housing sector has become a lever for the government's plan for growth in order to boost employment

Examples



Vejleåparken in Ishøj

- ➤ Beginning of 1970's
- ➤ 2200 flats, two orgs.
- Stigma, poverty and social unrest
- ➤ Often not in employment
- ➤ No social worker
- Active day to day housing management
- Municipal involvement



Vejleparken before and after



Vejleåparken from the outside







Vejleåparken from the inside



Findings in Vejleåparken

- A very long runway
- Bureaucratic management
- Unclear internal communication lines
- Not at the forefront of situations
- Incompetent PR
- The municipality takes responsibility

TRANSITIONAL HEU



Declining "kolkhoz village" 200 m from the small town border

Elektronai, Lithuania 2013

- Housing built in 1961
- After the shutdown of the Ignalina nuclear power plant in 2009, the Elektronai power plant became the primary source of Lithuania's electrical power



Paris November 2005; Suburbs in Denmark week seven 2007; Husby outside Stockholm June 2013; violent youth riots in housing neighbourhoods typified by unemployment, large immigrant population, youth culture in conflict with society.



Questions

- Why do we have troubled housing estates?
- What is the definition of troubled housing estates?
- Who lives on troubled housing estates?
- Who owns and manages the troubled housing estates?

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- What have been the reasons behind improvement programmes for troubled housing estates?
- What kind of improvement programmes have been implemented and with what kind of outcome?
- Have improvement programmes changed the position of the estates on the local housing market?
- What are the changes in policies and results?

Final question

 What are the perspectives for policy initiatives in the field of troubled housing estates?