

## Geopolitics of urban landscape and technologisation

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<b>Lead-in / Abstract</b>	<p>Cultural, social, political and economic are folded into urban landscape. The critical geopolitical study of urban landscape is crucial to understand why and how the cultural, social, political and economic matter. To understand landscapes, <b>Don Mitchell</b> (2003) claims that we need both a theory of landscape and theories of capital circulation, of race and gender, and of geopolitics and power.</p> <p>The circuits of capital flow in urban landscape from industry to housing and to technology, leisure and speculation. The future city is not anymore the place of escape, to get lost within and to step aside. In technologised urban landscape one is targeted to the "right" spatial performance in consumption, leisure and work via devices of information and communication technologies. Urban landscape is not regulated only through authoritarian CCTV surveillance and controllable electronic personified location-based databases but also with more subtle modes of attraction, inclusion and exclusion. The traditional ontologically neat geographical division vanishes between place and space / here and there.</p> <p>Scale is crucial to understand the histories and geographies of particular places, landscapes and processes. In the presentation I use flexible 'scale-jumping' through critical geopolitics as an interpretative frame to indicate simultaneously present connections, flows and circuits in urban landscapes of Tallinn and of other places. The setting is presence but also deliberately post-postmodern when the cyborgs are "naturalised" through the everyday actor-networks between human beings, technology and urban landscape.</p>
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