

<u>April 14-15, 2016</u>

In the 500 years since the publication of Thomas More's Utopia, the project of imagining an ideal society has emerged as simultaneously regenerative and devastating on multiple fronts: for the concept of the polity, for the composition of social fabrics, and for the formation of buildings, cities, and territories. By examining a series of sites - from the building envelope to the plantation, from infrastructural projects to global ecologies - this year's Cambridge Talks aims to provide a spectrum of cases that collectively approach utopia's modern guise.

Thursday, April 14

3:00 pm PhD Colloquium

Respondents:

Ana Miljački
Massachusetts Institute
of Technology
Sonja Dümpelmann
Harvard University

Friday, April 15

9:30 am
Introduction

9:45 am
Panel: Embodied Utopia

Luis Casteñeda
Syracuse University
Joyce Chaplin
Harvard University
Erika Naginski
Harvard University

Respondent:

<u>Catherine Ingraham</u> Pratt Institute 1:30 pm Panel: Total Utopia

Daniel Barber
University of
Pennsylvania
Sara Pritchard
Cornell University
Abby Spinak
Harvard University

Respondent:

<u>John May</u> Harvard University

4:30 pm Keynote Lecture

<u>Damian White</u> Rhode Island School of Design

Discussants:

K. Michael HaysNeil BrennerHarvard University

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