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Each year, *plaNNext* aims to publish two volumes; one of which presents a collection of original works following an open call, and the other presents a selection of articles from the AESOP-YA conference of the previous year. Representing the latter, the 5th Volume of *plaNNext* stems from the 10th AESOP-YA Annual Conference, “*Spatial Governance: Bridging Theory and Practice*”, held in Ghent (Belgium), March 2016. Invited authors’ contributions went through a rigorous peer-review process in which, Prof. Yvonne Rydin – *keynote speaker of the annual conference* – from University College London and Dr. Dana Shevah - *member of YAN Coordination Team in 2016* – acted as guest editors.

This special edition presents a selection of articles elaborating different planning practice and spatial governance dynamics through a variety of case studies from Central and Western European, Central and Northern African and the Balkan countries. It bunches together critical views of young academics regarding the ways which current spatial governance practices continue to take place in different scales and to extend which they respond to contextual variations in different parts of the world.

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