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Lecture

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**The Crisis before “The Crisis”:
Violence and Urban Neoliberalisation in Athens**

The "Greek crisis" was officially inaugurated on May 2010 with the loan the Greek government took from the IMF-European Union-European Central Bank troika; the largest a country had ever taken (€10 bn). Since then, the social implications of this crisis have been dramatic. The form and the scale of social phenomena observed today in Greece and particularly in Athens are unprecedented for the recent history of the country. Nevertheless, a diachronic examination of some socio-spatial aspects of Athens reveals that the social character of the current crisis has been taking shape for some time.

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