A Utopia in the Real City

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Abstract

From the idea of utopia created by Thomas More in 1956, which described an imaginary island with an ideal society living in a place endowed with characteristics of great urban organization, many utopias of cities were developed bγ philosophers, socialists, architects and urbanists to answer the issues analyzed from the observation of Industrial Revolution cities, rarely being realized. A negative diagnosis of society, from the description of the terrible living conditions to the evaluation of daily commuting problems and the reduction of leisure, is recurrent to proposals of utopic cities. In the formulation of an answer to a similar diagnosis, utopic cities have come close. From the review of some these utopias, the objective of this work is to discuss the vertical cities utopic models, developed by Swiss architect Le Corbusier, leading to the formulation of the Plan Voisin in Paris, a utopia in the real city, contrary to the previous utopic cities proposals, which are characterized by the no place, without the intention of relating the other real cities.

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