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[Christopher B. Leinberger](#) is a land use strategist, professor, real estate developer, researcher, speaker and author, who balances business realities with social and environmental concerns. Mr. Leinberger is the:

- Charles Bendit Distinguished Scholar and Research Professor and Chair at the [Center for Real Estate and Urban Analysis](#) of the George Washington University School of Business
- Founding Partner of [Arcadia Land Company](#), a New Urbanism and transit-oriented development firm.
- Principal of [Walkable Urban Advisors, Inc.](#), a walkable urban market research, strategic planning and place management advisory firm.

Mr. Leinberger's career has included:

- Managing Director and owner of [RCLCo](#), one of the country's largest real estate advisory companies (1982-2000),
- Nonresident Senior Fellow at the [Metropolitan Policy Program](#) of The Brookings Institution, Washington DC (2005-2018),
- Professor and founding Director of the [Graduate Certificate in Real Estate Development](#) at the University of Michigan (2005-2012),
- President and founder of [LOCUS](#), *Responsible Real Estate Developers and Investors*, a program of [Smart Growth America](#), advocating for walkable urban, mixed-income place development and management (2008-2016).

His books include *The Option of Urbanism* (Island), *Strategic Planning for Real Estate Companies* (ULI) and chapters in 15 other books, most recently, *Companion to Real Estate Development* (Routledge) and *New Urbanism and Beyond* (Rizzoli). He has written for the *Atlantic*, *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Nation*, *Washington Monthly*, *American Conservative*, *Urban Land*, among other publications. He has been profiled by NPR's *All Things Considered* and *Marketplace*, CNN, *Washington Post*, among others.

Mr. Leinberger was named as one of [The 100 Most Influential Urbanists](#) of all time in a 2017 Planetizen poll.

He is a graduate of Swarthmore College, Coro Foundation Fellowship Program, and Harvard Business School. He and his wife live in Dupont Circle in Washington, DC.