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The Congress for the New Urbanism is a non-profit association of designers, engineers, planners, and other specialists. Their common thread is a commitment to helping real estate developers and municipalities create or "retrofit" post-sprawl environments of compact, walkable, mixed-use neighborhoods. A CNU team of some 100 specialists from around the world, led by architect/planner Andres Duany, joined with a similar number of Mississippi practitioners to staff what was considered the largest, most ambitious design "charrette" in history: the week-long Mississippi Renewal Forum in October of 2005. Almost everything on this website and its archives, beginning with reports from the Forum itself, came out of that charrette or has been a reaction to its principal products. For more information, visit www.cnu.org.