Celebrating the 10th Anniversary of MSc in Urban Design Program Department of Architecture Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU)

INTERNATIONAL URBAN DESIGN CONFERENCE Young Researchers Forum@Re-Discovering Urban Design (IUDC2020@YRF)

9-11 December 2020

Organized by: EMU Department of Architecture, Urban Design Master Programs in collaboration with EMU Urban Research and Development Center (URDC)



At the 10th anniversary of its Urban Design Graduate Program (MSc in Urban Design), EMU Department of Architecture is organizing an international virtual conference in collaboration with EMU Urban Research and Development Center (URDC). This international virtual conference, to be organised on 9-11 December 2020 is dedicated to 'Young Researchers Forum@Re-Discovering Urban Design' will include presentations related to ongoing and/or completed doctoral and/or master's research and/or post-doctoral research on urban design, with the aim to provide overarching views on urban design education and research. The International Urban Design Conference to be designed as 'Young Researchers Forum' will offer a rich discussion platform for all participants to present and share their research with senior mentors in urban design research, including but not limited to the following themes:

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- Urban Design Theory
- Urban Design Education
- Urban Regeneration
- Urban Conservation & Revitalization
- Urban Culture
- Urban Planning
- Urban Landscape
- Urban Morphology
- Urban Housing
- Urban Representations
- Urban Image & Identity
- Urban Public Space
- Urban Strategies
- Urban Sustainability & Sustainable Urban Design
- Urban Sociology
- Urban & Environmental Psychology

and to exchange of knowledge in the field or urban design, which may then lead to development of networks and future collaborations for young researchers, both with senior researchers and / or with other graduate students.

The conference will be distributed to three days depending on the number of submissions. Since the presentations and discussion sessions will be online, we will prefer to have two-three presentations for each session, which will all be distributed to specific days and times, believing that this will give more opportunities and flexibility to all participants for active participation into various sessions.

The conference will include valuable keynote presentations by **Prof. Deane Alan Simpson** (The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts, Denmark), **Prof. Alex Krieger** (Harvard University Graduate School of Design, USA) and **Prof. Nikos Salingaros** (University of Texas at San Antonio, USA) and with an **Alumni-Ied Panel Discussion**. Virtual city tours will also enrich the sessions, giving attendees an opportunity for digital readings of Cypriot cities and local urban spaces.

The peer-reviewed abstracts of all accepted presentations will be published in an open-access e-book of abstracts and all presented papers, after the process of a double-blind review process, will be published in the open-access Book of Proceedings and selected papers will be published in the *Journal of Urban Research and Development (JURD)* of EMU, either in a Special Issue or in the Summer and Winter 2021 Issues. At the end of the conference there will be an award for the Best Conference Paper.

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Important Dates

Call for Proposals	: 25 June 2020
Submission of Abstracts	: 24 August 2020
Notification of Acceptance	: 21 September 2020
Deadline for Participant Registration	: 1 December 2020
Submission of Full (Draft) Papers	: 1 December 2020
Submission of Presentations	: 1 December 2020
Conference	: 9-11 December 2020
Review of Full Papers	: 9 December 2020 – 9 January 2021
Submission of Final Papers	: 15 February 2021
Publications	: March – June 2021

Registration

Registration to the conference will include a fee of 50 USD for the participants and 25 USD for the guest audience.

Keynote Speakers

Alex Krieger, Professor of Urban Design, Chair of Department of Urban Planning & Design, Harvard Graduate School of Design, USA

Ombretta Romice, PhD, Senior Lecturer in Urban Design, Department of Architecture, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, UK

Nikos Salingaros, Professor of Mathematics, Architectural Theorist & Urbanist, Consultant on Biophilic Design & Human-scale Urbanism, University of Texas at San Antonio, USA

Deane Alan Simpson, Professor, Institute of Architecture, Urbanism, Landscape, The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts, School of Architecture, Design and Conservation, Denmark

Honorary Speaker

Derya Oktay, PhD, Professor of Architecture and Urban Design, Dean, Faculty of Architecture, Ondokuz Mayis University – Founder Director of URDC and Co-founder of Department of Architecture MS Urban Design Program