

# Instant Cities: Emergent Trends in Architecture and Urbanism in the Arab World

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## Conference Program

### Day I (Tuesday – April 1, 2008)

Time	Activity	
8:30 – 9:30	Registration	
9:30 - 10:15	<b>Opening Ceremony</b>	
10:15 – 10:30	Coffee Break	
10:30- 12:30	<b>Session 1A: The Dubai Enigma</b>	<b>Session 1B: Contextual Architecture &amp; New Regionalism</b>
	Fast Track Cities – Dubai's Time Machine <b>Alessandro Gubitosi</b> , <i>University of Naples Federico II, Naples, Italy</i>	Contextualizing Globalization: Towards an Architectural Synthesis in the Gulf Region <b>Wael Al-Masri</b> , <i>Dar Al-Omran, Jordan</i>
	The Landscape of Dubai's Urbanism <b>Gareth Doherty</b> , <i>Harvard University Graduate School of Design, USA</i>	Contextual Architecture for India, Kuwait and Dubai Deira by Reima and Raili Pietilä <b>Aino Niskanen</b> , <i>Helsinki University of Technology, Finland</i>
	Finding the Invisible – Quantifying the 'urban beauty' of Dubai via content analysis of photographs <b>Rico Maggi &amp; Claudia Scholz</b> , <i>University of Lugano, Switzerland</i>	Tadao Ando and the Genius Loci: the contextual in Abu Dhabi Maritime Museum <b>Marwan Basmaji</b> , <i>University of Tokyo, Japan</i>
	Dubai in Istanbul: The Impact of Gulf Investments Beyond the Gulf <b>Zeynep Aygen</b> , <i>University of Portsmouth, UK</i>	Places à la Carte: The Packaging of Places and Urban Tourism <b>Lineu Castello</b> , <i>Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil</i>
Creating the "Arabian" Architectural Style <b>Mamdouh Mohamed Sakr</b> , <i>Independent Scholar, Egypt</i>	Damascus, a Late Comer to the World of Globalization: Have We Started on the Wrong Foot? <b>Rafee Ibrahim Hakky</b> , <i>University of Bahrain, Bahrain</i>	

12:30 – 13:30	Lunch Break	
13:30 - 15:30	<b>Session 2A: Emergent Urban Patterns &amp; Life Style</b>	<b>Session 2B: Neo-Traditional Design</b>
	<p>City Culture, Urbanity and the Creative Cities Debate: What makes Berlin (still) a Creative City? <b>Steffen Lehmann</b>, <i>The University of Newcastle, Australia</i></p> <p>Desert Bases: America's New Model for the Middle East <b>Mark L. Gillem</b>, <i>University of Oregon, USA</i></p> <p>Instant City: City as Recreation/Re-Creation <b>Isaac Lerner</b>, <i>Eastern Mediterranean University, Turkey</i></p> <p>The Creation of People's Lifestyle Expectations: Advertising New Mega Scale Projects <b>Shatha Malhis</b>, <i>Petra University, Jordan</i></p> <p>Understanding Urban Systems and Sprawl in the UAE: Case Studies from Ajman, Sharjah, Dubai and Abu Dhabi <b>Ali Taileb, Ali Arbaoui &amp; Bouzid Boudiaf</b>, <i>Ajman University of Science &amp; Technology Network, UAE</i></p>	<p>New Urbanism: Revitalizing Historic City Centers, Beirut Case <b>Khalid S. Al-Hagla</b>, <i>Alexandria University, Egypt</i></p> <p>Shape is the Trace of Time <b>Jenny Quillien</b>, <i>Laboratory of Anthropology, USA</i></p> <p>The Role of Environmental and Cultural Heritage in Rebuilding The Afghan Cities <b>Bashir A. Kazimee</b>, <i>Washington State University, USA</i></p> <p>Child-Friendly Cities: Iranian Perspective <b>Minoo Gharahbeiglu</b>, <i>Tabriz Islamic Art University, Iran</i></p> <p>Public Participation and Urban Development in Islamic Countries <b>Golrokh Sepasdar &amp; Magda Sibley</b>, <i>The University of Liverpool, UK</i></p>
15:30 – 15:45	Coffee Break	
15:45-16:45	<b>Keynote Address I</b> Thinking Through Cities: Identities, Modernities, Globalities, <b>Anthony D. King, USA</b>	
19:30 – 22:30	Conference Dinner (Optional)	

## Day II (Wednesday – April 2, 2008)

Time	Activity	
8:45 – 9:00	Coffee Beak	
9:15-11:15	<b>Session 3A: Cities, Representations and Branding</b>	<b>Session 3B: Ecological and Social Sustainability</b>
	Cultural City Branding <b>M Alaa Mandour</b> , Sultan Qaboos University, Oman	Dubai (Re)active Urbanisms <b>Sabine Müller &amp; Andreas Quednau</b> , Technische Universität Karlsruhe/ Technische Universität Berlin, Germany
	Icarus Landed: Re-presenting the Urban Realm <b>Brian M. Ambroziak</b> , University of Tennessee, USA	Re-inventing the Desert Landscape: New Tourist Typologies in Morocco's Grand Sud <b>Aziza Chaouni</b> , University of Toronto, Canada
	Rediscovering the Island: Scenes from the New Spaces of Capital in Doha, Qatar <b>Khaled Adham</b> , United Arab Emirates University, UAE	Sustainability: The challenge of urban development strategies in the Gulf <b>Florian Wiedmann</b> , University of Stuttgart, Germany
	The Stranger's Path: Exploring the Cultural Landscape of Urban Form <b>B.D. Wortham-Galvin &amp; Isaac Williams</b> , University of Maryland, USA	Urban Planning Strategy for Tubli Bay Area Focusing on Conservation and Protection Measures <b>Ahmed Mohamed Shalaby</b> , Cairo University, Egypt
	The Ephemeral Façade: The Fashion of Construction Wall Design and its Ephemeral Mode of Existence reflecting Korean Modernity <b>Seung Han Paek</b> , University of Cincinnati, USA	Proposal of Sustainable and Eco-exurban Communities at the Western Desert Development Corridor in Egypt <b>Ahmed Elseragy &amp; Amira Elnokaly</b> , Arab Academy for Science and Technology, Egypt
11:15 -11.30	Coffee Beak (on house)	
11:30 - 13:30	<b>Session 4A: Built Form and Identity (Re)Construction</b>	<b>Session 4B: Urbanism and Cultural Heritage</b>
	Strategic Design Guidance on Tall Buildings in the Arab Region <b>H Elkadi; S. Roulac ; K. McPhillips &amp; A. Shaheen</b> , University of Ulster, UK / Roulac Global Places, USA	Globalization, Economics and Museums: Saadiyat Island's Cultural District in Abu Dhabi, UAE <b>Seth Thompson</b> , American University of Sharjah, UAE
	What is the concern of Identity in the 21st century city? <b>Adina Hempel &amp; Mirco Urban</b> , Urban Architecture / Project, Hamburg, Germany	The Cultural Influence in the Design of Urban Environment <b>Fatima Abbas zadeh, Ahmad Bashri &amp; Nasser Mohseni</b> . University Technology Malaysia/ University of Azad Islamic, Mashhad, Iran

	<p>Dar es Salaam: Refurbishment of the Harbor Zone as a Tourist Attraction and Better Economy <b>Christine Kohlert, DEGW, Germany</b></p> <p>Fast Developing Cities &amp; Sustainable Strategies: Globalization and Vernacular Architecture &amp; Urbanism <b>Omid Rahaei &amp; Parvin Ghaemmaghami, Dezful Azad University / Iran University of Science and Technology, Iran</b></p> <p>The Transformations of Architectural Identity in Makkah <b>Wadia Ali Albarqawi, The University of Sydney, Australia</b></p>	<p>Islamic Architectural Heritage and the Socio-cultural Environment in the Gulf. <b>Roger Tyrrell &amp; Abbas Mu'azu, University of Portsmouth, UK</b></p> <p>On the Move Mapping Marginal Shifts <b>Mustapha Madi &amp; Dolly Daou . Dar al Handasah, Lebanon / University of South Australia, Australia</b></p>
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch Break	
14:30 -16:30	<p><b>Session 5A: Reflections on Architecture &amp; Urbanism</b></p> <p>The City of Confluence <b>Richard Marshall, Woods Bagot, Australia</b></p> <p>Architecture of Reconciliation <b>Roger Tyrrell &amp; Simon Astridge, University of Portsmouth, UK</b></p> <p>Cities of Light: A vision for Future Cities <b>Gehan Ahmed Nagy, The Higher Technological Institute, 10th of Ramadan city, Egypt</b></p> <p>Landscape Urbanism and the Politics of Control: Strange Bedfellows in the Middle East and Asia <b>Steven Velegrinis, Green Concepts LLC, Dubai/ University of Western Australia</b></p> <p>Segregating Jerusalem: The impact of Israeli Wall on Transforming Jerusalem North West Villages' Urban Structure. <b>Salem Thawaba &amp; Yazeed EIRifai, Birzeit University, Palestine</b></p>	<p><b>Session 5B: Urbanism, Infrastructure and Information Technology</b></p> <p>Virtual Urban Infrastructure: Towards a Practical Agenda for an Integrative 3D Model of Emerging Arab Metropolitan Cities <b>Abeer Shaheen, University of Ulster and Harvard University Graduate School of Design</b></p> <p>Identification of Suitable Areas for New Desert Hinterland Communities in Aswan - Egypt <b>Mohab Elrefaie, Ain Shams University, Egypt</b></p> <p>Tourist Navigation System - the Start/ End Journey: Space Syntax approach <b>Nabil Mohareb, UAE University, UAE</b></p> <p>Transportation Accessibility: The Case of Khartoum, Sudan <b>Khalid Fatih Elaleim Ibrahim, Sudan University of Science &amp; Technology, Sudan</b></p> <p>The Strategic Planning of Post Disaster Reconstruction <b>Aulia Sofyan, University of Queensland Australia, Australia</b></p>
16:30 – 16:45	Coffee Break	
16:45-17:45	<b>Keynote Address II</b>	

	Eco-Policies and Generative Programs for Sustainable Cities, <b>Besim S. Hakim, USA</b>
18:00-18:30	<b>Conference Closing Remarks</b>

### Day III (Thursday – April 3, 2008)

Time	Activity	Location
9:00 -13:30	<b>Dubai/Sharjah Tour</b>	
13:30 – 14:30	<b>Lunch (Optional)</b>	