

## INTRODUCTION

The Architecture Foundation Turkey (MIV) will be organizing the 2nd International Conference on Re-evaluating Contemporary Designs in Historical Context (2nd RE-ConD'15) on the 09-11 July 2025 in Istanbul. The Conference will be hosted by SEWC Turkey.

The historical environments that were forgotten in the beginning of the modernization period, regained importance in 1970s with the studies on relationship between the old and the new and started to be considered not only as a building stock, but also as a whole with their cultural, social, economic and legal aspects. Within the global market during 1990s, the historical environments once again experienced intense changes and transformations. In creating a place and revealing the identity of a city, it is understood that the historical environments deserve more than conservation actions. As a result, innovative designs and projects have become a current issue.

In this regard the conference is seeking to re-evaluate the attitudes to existing environments through discussing new architectural, structural and urban projects built or to be built in natural and/or cultural and/ or historical contexts, the way to participate to the space and harmonize the new projects in existing elements and resources and meet the contemporary requirements.

The conference will provide an international and interdisciplinary meeting for researchers and practitioners to present and discuss the necessity, concept and criteria of designing/constructing new structures/buildings and settlements in historical contexts and their environments. It will also bring together historians, art historians, archaeologists, architects, engineers, scientists, building surveyors, urban planners, and other specialists to exchange their analytical, experimental, historical and constructional experiences and studies in preservation of urban or rural contexts.

## IMPORTANT DATES

Submission of Abstracts	<b>Feb. 03, 2025</b>
Acceptance of abstracts	<b>March 10, 2025</b>
Submission of Full Papers	<b>April 14, 2025</b>
Acceptance of Full papers	<b>May 23, 2025</b>
Final Submission of Revised Papers & Copyright agreement	<b>June 13, 2025</b>
Last Date for Early Registration	<b>June 13, 2025</b>
Submission of Presentations	<b>June 30, 2025</b>

## CONFERENCE TOPICS

- 1- General Principles- Professional Responsibilities International Agreements on Designing New Buildings in Historic Environment**
  - a- Heritage Management plan, conservation policies
  - b- Legal/administrative views
  - c- Ethical and professional responsibilities
- 2- New and Historic Environment Relationships / Integration**
  - a- Archaeological, Rural, Urban settlements and Coastal areas
  - b- Cultural Landscape
  - c- Sustainability in New Design and Historic Relationship
- 3- Need for Contemporary Designs in Historic Environment**
  - a- Physical & Social Changes
  - b- Natural and Human Induced Damage / Destruction
  - c- Density Pressure / Population Growth
  - d- Infrastructure projects
  - e- Expression of cultural identity
  - f- Functional Changes (Tourism, Cultural)
- 4- Factors Affecting New Design in Historic Environment**
  - a. Leading factors (location, sense of place, identity, silhouette, mass and scale, style, façade proportions/ organization, color, material and structure etc.)
  - b. Design principles (adaptation, recall, interpretation, contrast, neutralization etc.)
  - c. Infrastructure Capacity / Problems
  - d. Accessibility
  - e. Safety / Security
- 4- Design Principles Affecting New Design in Historic Environment**
  - a- Invention Restoration & New Additions
  - b- Reuse (Function Change) of Historic Heritage Buildings / Sites
  - c- Revitalization of an Urban Settlement (Space)
- 5- Construction Principles and Materials**
  - a- Traditional or contemporary construction materials
  - b- Compatibility of construction materials/contrasts
  - c- Structural compatibility

## PRESENTATIONS

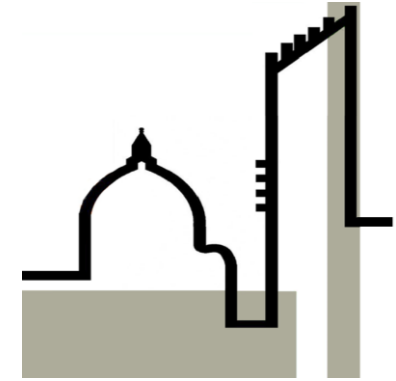
The official language of the Conference is English. All papers should be written and presented in English. Simultaneous translation will be provided only in Turkish. Both oral and poster presentations will take place in the Proceedings that will be available at the registration desk

## 2<sup>nd</sup> RE-ConD'25

### CALL FOR PAPERS

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON RE-EVALUATING CONTEMPORARY DESIGNS IN HISTORICAL CONTEXTS

09 –11 July 2025, Istanbul, Turkey



Organized by



TURKISH FOUNDATION FOR ARCHITECTURE (MIV)

Hosted by



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<https://re-cond.org>

## INVITED LECTURERS

Leading experts in chosen topics will be invited to deliver keynote speeches.

## STUDENT DESIGN COMPETITION

Students from all over the world is invited to participate in competition and to share their projects / proposals in the field of new / contemporary designs in historical contexts. An exhibition and a competition are formed and will be followed by an award ceremony.

The award categories are;

First prize, 1000 €

Second prize, 750 €

Third prize, 500 €

Please contact the Conference website for detail.

## EXHIBITION

Exhibition facilities related to the Conference are planned at the Conference venue. Please contact to Conference website for details

## SUBMISSION

Papers should focus on the necessity, concept and criteria of the new design in heritage contexts, on the topics outlined above. The abstract not exceeding 300 words with no tables and figures should be structured in three main sections:

- Introduction
- Developments
- Remarks and Conclusion

The abstract should be clear, aiming at giving a general overview of the paper. Submissions will be peer reviewed by the Scientific Committee of the Conference.

## ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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## REGISTRATION

Conference fee for participants will include Proceedings and participation in all technical sessions, lunches, coffee breaks, reception and Conference gala dinner.

For accompanying person, the fee will include participation in all technical sessions, lunches, coffee breaks, reception, and gala dinner. Following are the estimated registration fees.

**Until June 13, 2025 After June 13, 2025**

Participants	500 €	550 €
Accompanying	300 €	350 €
Student	200 €	250 €

For student registration participants must show their student identity card or any other relevant

## VENUE

Bahçeşehir University (BAU) Conference Halls,  
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