

2<sup>nd</sup> INTERNATIONAL FORUM  
ON ARCHITECTURE AND URBANISM



FRAGILE TERRITORIES  
NOVEMBER 8-10 | PESCARA

## IFAU 2018 – 2<sup>nd</sup> International Forum on Architecture and Urbanism

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### FRAGILE TERRITORIES

Landscapes\_Cities\_Architecture

After the first edition of the IFAU 2017 – International Forum on Architecture and Urbanism organised in December 2017 Tirana, the **Università degli Studi G. d’Annunzio Chieti-Pescara - Dipartimento di Architettura (DdA)** and the **Polytechnic University of Tirana – Faculty of Architecture and Urbanism (FAU)** are organising the second edition:

**IFAU 2018 – International Forum on Architecture and Urbanism** in Pescara, Italy on **November 8 - 10, 2018**, with the theme “**Fragile Territories**”.

**IFAU 2018 – 2<sup>nd</sup> International Forum on Architecture and Urbanism** aims to bring together leading academic scientists, researchers, and scholars to exchange and share their experiences and research results about all aspects related to **Landscapes, Cities and Architecture within FRAGILE TERRITORIES**. It also provides the premier interdisciplinary forum for researchers, practitioners, and educators to present and discuss the most recent innovations, trends, and concerns, practical challenges encountered and the solutions adopted for the **Fragile Territories in Cities in Transition**.

The Forum will concentrate on landscapes, cities and architecture located in contexts and territories that reveal their own fragility. The **second edition** is expanding the horizon by introducing a series of overlapping visions spanning the recently institutionalised Adriatic-Ionic Euroregion, now extended to the Balkan Region.

The nature of this fragility derives from multiple natures. There is a fragility of territories caused by natural phenomena (earthquakes, landslides, flooding, fires, drought, etc.) that lead to situations of seismic, hydrogeological and environmental risk characteristic of much of the Adriatic and Balkan regions. There is economic and social fragility, above all in inland territories, where living and working conditions remain precarious primarily due to depopulation, emigration and a widespread economic crisis. There is political and social fragility in territories that remain unstable and continue to suffer, even recently, from acts of war and terrorism. There is fragility in territories crossed by vast flows of migrants fleeing areas of conflict in search of an ordinary and peaceful life. There is religious, linguistic and ethnic fragility caused by atavistic and historic tensions in areas that have yet to establish a harmonious and shared existence between similar peoples of different faiths, languages and origins. There is a fragility of agricultural lands, many no longer able to compete with industrialised production and unable to maintain historic equilibriums between the landscape and what it produces. There is environmental fragility caused by pollution, growing amounts of waste and toxic emissions that irreversibly compromise natural and manmade habitats. There is cultural fragility in places where modernisation and globalisation have not developed in harmony with local

traditions and histories. Above all else, all of our cities suffer from the abandonment of central, peripheral and suburban areas that creates an increasingly more evident urban fragility that undermines the very meaning of places and cities. All of this is accompanied by the decommissioning of buildings, factories, manufacturing plants, warehouses and constructions of the most varied nature, which have lost their primary function and are left abandoned and waiting for a new life.

**These fragilities – and others – are the object of this Forum.**

The Forum will focus primarily on a comparison of disciplinary actions and research in the Adriatic-Ionian Euroregion (and beyond). The study will be extended to the entirety of the Balkan region, fast becoming a key territory for Europe and for relations between East and West and between North and South; more precisely between Europe and the Balkans. We must now think about a new cultural policy similar to the diagonal/transversal axis of the Adriatic that runs from the heart of Central Europe down into the East. This geographical transversality must become a cultural and political transversality capable of creating connections and integrating the experiences and knowledge developed on both shores of the Adriatic and, more in general, in territories where the Adriatic, the Ionian and the Danube serve as imaginary borders, and Venice and Istanbul the root poles of their culture.

Through contributions from colleagues and scholars at different Universities, the intention is to explore ***the history and evolution of public spaces, to study processes of spatial planning in territories and cities in transition, to define strategies for urban transformation and to confront issues raised by environmental and architectural sustainability***, all framed by an up-to-date and contemporary ***geourbanistic*** vision of the entire region. Culture and the strength of ideas are viewed as the principal tools for building bridges between knowledge and for rediscovering, in a new relationship between geography, urban planning and architecture, the key to interpreting the processes transforming territories and cities.

The Forum will be structured as a **CALL FOR PAPERS/CALL FOR POSTERS** subject to peer review by a team of professors from the promoting Universities.

All accepted Papers and Posters will be presented during the FORUM and included in a peer-reviewed volume complete with an ISBN code in the “Architectural Studies and Research” series published by Gangemi Editori. Only the authors of the **accepted Papers and Posters** will pay a **Registration Fee by October 15<sup>th</sup> 2018** following the indications stated below.

**The Forum will be organised in 4 THEMATIC SESSIONS:**

1. PUBLIC SPACES IN ADRIATIC AND IONIAN CITIES
2. FRAGILE TRANSITIONS: CITIES, PLANS AND PROJECTS OF URBAN RESILIENCE
3. PHENOMENA OF URBAN RE-GENERATION
4. SUSTAINABILITY FOR A NON-FRAGILE HABITAT

**DATES AND PLACE**

The **IFAU 2018 – International Forum on Architecture and Urbanism - FRAGILE TERRITORIES** will take place in PESCARA (Italy) at the Department of Architecture – Università G. d’Annunzio, Viale Pindaro 42, Pescara on **November 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018**.

**The CALL for IFAU 2018 will be officially announced by June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018.**

**The Forum has a wide Board of Scientific Advisors of very high level to guarantee the quality of the event. Internationally known Key-note speakers will be invited to the Forum for the lectures, together with academics and scholars who work within the field of research. The Detailed program of lectures and events will be published soon.**

**LANGUAGES**

English and Italian

## IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

Opening of the CALL	June 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2018
Abstracts submission for Papers and Posters	July 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2018
Notification of Acceptance Abstracts	July 20 <sup>th</sup> , 2018
Submission of Final Paper and Research Posters	September 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2018
Notification of Acceptance Final Papers and Posters	October 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2018
Registration Deadline	From October 5 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2018
Payment of Registration Fees	From October 5 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2018
Forum Dates	November 8 <sup>th</sup> - 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2018
Paper Submission for Publication	December 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2018

## PAYMENT OF CONFERENCE FEES

IFAU 2018 -INTERNATIONAL FORUM ON ARCHITECTURE AND URBANISM offers the following conditions for participation (each fee is valid for one person):

### Paper Presentations

Senior* early bird fee by July 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2018	200 EUR
Junior early bird fee by July 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2018	100 EUR
Senior* Ordinary fee by October 15th, 2018	250 EUR
Junior Ordinary fee by October 15th, 2018	150 EUR
Accompanying person early bird fee by July 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2018	80 EUR
Accompanying person fee by October 15th, 2018	100 EUR
Special fee**	100 EUR

### Poster Presentations (open also to students)

Senior* early bird fee by <b>July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	100 EUR
Junior early bird fee by <b>July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	80 EUR
Senior* Ordinary fee by October 15th, 2018	150 EUR
Junior Ordinary fee by October 15th, 2018	100 EUR
Accompanying person early bird fee by <b>July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b>	80 EUR
Accompanying person fee by October 15th, 2018	100 EUR
Special fee**	50 EUR
Students (registered)	No fee

*\*Senior are considered academic professors, members of public institutions, in Italy and abroad, of all age, and scholars over or 40 years old - please give proof of age (copy of I.D.)*

*\*\*Special fee for academics of the two organizer institutions of the Forum (when registering to the conference please add the certificate).*

**Note:** All bank charges MUST be paid by the payer

If the paper is presented at the conference by one author, the others are welcomed to the conference under the accompanying person fee or PhD student fee if they belong to that category.

**The participation fee includes:**

- Access to the conference and all parallel sessions
- Full electronic proceedings and book of abstracts
- Lunches and coffee breaks during the conference
- Official dinner is included only with an Ordinary Fee. Other participants the cost will be 25,00 EUR.
- Conference fee does **not** include travel and accommodation expenses.

For the first 5 juniors whose papers are accepted for the conference will be allowed to participate without conference fee.

If you would like your paper to be included into conference proceedings, please pay the fee no later than October 5<sup>th</sup> 2018.

**PAYMENT OF FEES**

All authors accepted abstract of Papers and Posters (Senior and Junior) could pay:

Early bird fee by **July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

Or:

Ordinary fee by **October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Payment instructions**

**Payment should be done through a bank draft to:**

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**REGISTRATION**

**Download the Template for Registration: [IFAU18 registration template](#)**

Please send your Registration Template, copy of payment and copy of I.D. or Student I.D to the following e-mail address: [info@ifau2018.com](mailto:info@ifau2018.com)

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All enquires must be submitted at: [info@ifau2018.com](mailto:info@ifau2018.com)

## SUBMISSIONS

The organizing committee invites authors to submit abstracts for Paper or Poster presentations on any of the five topics previously indicated and that will be soon further described.

### **ABSTRACT SUBMISSION (Papers and Posters)**

Authors are invited to submit Abstracts for Papers and Posters by **July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018**.

**Abstracts of Papers** should be text only, up to 300 words long, written in Italian or English, using the template. Aside from the abstract, please provide at least 3 keywords and choose the session of the conference that fits the subject of your paper.

**Download:** [IFAU18\\_paper\\_abstract\\_template](#)

Name the file as follows:

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*(name and surname are of the first author)*

Please send your abstract to the following e-mail address: [info@ifau2018.com](mailto:info@ifau2018.com)

**Abstracts of Posters** should include research work presented as a text – maximum 300 words written in Italian or English – and should include drawings, images and diagrams, following the attached template. Aside from the abstract, please provide at least 3 keywords and choose the main topic of the conference that fits the subject of your research poster.

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Name the file as follows:

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Please send your abstract to the following address: [info@ifau2018.com](mailto:info@ifau2018.com)

**Authors will be informed about the acceptance of the Abstracts for Papers or Posters on July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018.**

### **FINAL SUBMISSION (Papers and Posters)**

Accepted authors are invited to submit the Final Papers or Posters by **September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018**.

**For Papers Download:** [IFAU18\\_paper\\_template](#)

Authors are asked to respect and use established font and styles, with a full Paper that will include text, images and diagrams and not exceed 8 pages (including bibliography and notes, etc.).

Name the file as follows:

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*(name and surname are of the first author)*

The final Papers will be reviewed by two members of the Scientific Committee in peer review.

Send your full paper to the following address: [info@ifau2018.com](mailto:info@ifau2018.com)

**Authors will be informed about the acceptance of the full papers on October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**For Posters Download:** [IFAU18\\_poster\\_template](#)

Posters involves visually presented research studies – **size A1 vertical** - will include a synthetic text written in Italian or English and could include drawings, images and diagrams to help readers and forum attendees to understand its content. The posters will be exhibited during the Forum. Posters must indicate:

- the main research goals
- the methodology

- the outcomes and the achievements and considerations.
- author/s, affiliations to Faculty or Departments and title of the Poster

Send the Poster in PDF format to the following address: [info@ifau2018.com](mailto:info@ifau2018.com)

Name the file as follows:

***IFAU 2018 \_poster \_name \_surname.pdf***

*(name and surname are of the first author)*

Posters will be validated by two members of the Scientific Committee.

**Authors will be informed about the acceptance of the Poster on October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

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