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Nationality: **Cypriot**

Date of birth: **1979**

Gender: **Female**

Languages: **Turkish (native)**

English (advanced)

French (intermediate)

Specializations

Environmental Psychology

Emotional Geographies

Place Attachment

Sense of Place

Meaning in Architecture

Urban Peacebuilding

Ecocity and Eco-architecture

Interests

Eco-activism

Fine arts

Story writing

Graphic design

Science fiction

Cyberpunk

Technology

Education

Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program, Pratt Institute, New York, USA, 2020

Academy of Arts, Architecture and Design in Prague, Postdoctoral Research, Czech Republic, 2011

Eastern Mediterranean University, PhD, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2009

Eastern Mediterranean University, M.Arch., Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2002

Eastern Mediterranean University, B.Arch., Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2000

Academic and Professional Positions

Programme Director of Master of Science in Architecture: Department of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2023-Present

Technical Editor: EMU Journal of Faculty of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2021-2024

Associate Professor: Department of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2020-Present

Visiting Scholar: Pratt Institute, School of Architecture, New York, USA, 2020

Associate Editor: Journal of Cyprus Studies, Eastern Mediterranean University Center for Cyprus Studies, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2019-2021

Board Member: Research Center for Interdisciplinary Studies in Built Environment (ISBE) of Faculty of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2019-2026

Board Member: The Urban Research & Development Center (URDC) of Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2013-2017

Vice Chair: Department of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2013-2016

Board Member: Housing Education, Research & Advisory Center of Faculty of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2012-2019

Programme Director of Master of Science in Architecture: Department of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2012-2013

Assistant Professor: Department of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2011-2020

Vice Director: The Urban Research & Development Center (URDC) of Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2011-2013

Visiting Scholar: Academy of Arts, Architecture and Design in Prague, Czech Republic, 2010- 2011

Part-time Instructor: Department of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2007-2010

Freelance Architect, 2005-2008

Research Assistant: Department of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2001-2007

Teaching Experience

Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU)

FARC 113 Introduction to Design (Foundation)

ARCH114 Human and Socio-Cultural Factors in Design (Core)

ARCH291 Architectural Design Studio I (Core)

ARCH292 Architectural Design Studio II (Core)

ARCH327 Superheroes of Architecture (Elective course)

ARCH355 Process of Urban Design (Core)

ARCH391 Architectural Design Studio III (Core)
ARCH450 The Wall (Elective course)
ARCH491 Architectural Design Studio V (Core)
ARCH492 Graduation Project (Core)
ARCH501 Interdisciplinary Workshop I (Postgraduate course)
ARCH/UDES/KORS598 Seminar (Postgraduate course)
UDES501 & UDES502 Urban Design Studio I & II (Postgraduate course)

Teaching at Other Institutions

ARCH 401/402/403 Advanced Design Studio (Core), Pratt Institute, New York, USA
A3 Architecture Research Studio (Core), Academy of Arts, Architecture and Design in Prague, Czech Republic

Master's Thesis Supervision

Supervisor of Aybike Solak, "New Technology Ecosystems and Changing Behavior Towards Architecture: A Study on Generation Z Architecture Students", Eastern Mediterranean University, Department of Architecture, Famagusta, North Cyprus, September 2025

Supervisor of Garreth Iain Rous, "From Fantasy Realms to Built Realities: Multisensory Insights from Dungeons and Dragons for Architectural Design", Eastern Mediterranean University, Department of Architecture, Famagusta, North Cyprus, February 2025

Supervisor of Rawan Hamed, "Modernism Through the Lens of Jacques Tati's Playtime and Jacques Lacan's Modules on the Structure of the Psyche", Eastern Mediterranean University, Department of Architecture, Famagusta, North Cyprus, August 2023

Supervisor of Özge Selen Koç, "Mapping and Measuring Place Attachment to the Coastline of Famagusta", Eastern Mediterranean University, Department of Architecture, Famagusta, North Cyprus, August 2020

Supervisor of Jason Winn, "Deriving a Narrative Infrastructure from Community Stories in Famagusta Walled City", Eastern Mediterranean University, Department of Architecture, Famagusta, North Cyprus, January 2019

Co-supervisor of Kamiar Yazdani, "Problems of Technology and Its Consequent Meaning in Architecture: Practical Implications on Derivative List of Meditations", Eastern Mediterranean University, Department of Architecture, Famagusta, North Cyprus, September 2016

Supervisor of Nasim Salamat, "Measuring Sense of Interior Space through Symbolic Elements of Thematic Hotels in Baфра", Eastern Mediterranean University, Department of Interior Architecture, Famagusta, North Cyprus, January 2016

Supervisor of Nermin Gündoğdu, "A Study on User Responses to Their Residential Interiors", Eastern Mediterranean University, Department of Interior Architecture, Famagusta, North Cyprus, December 2014

Supervisor of Shadab Salmani, "Attachment of Foreign Students to the City of Famagusta", Eastern Mediterranean University, Department of Architecture, Famagusta, North Cyprus, June 2014

Supervisor of Canan Pembe Sarı, "An Insight to People's Aesthetic Responses to Their Returned Environment", Eastern Mediterranean University, Department of Architecture, Famagusta, North Cyprus, August 2012

PhD Thesis Supervision

Supervisor of Özge Selen Koç, The Multi-Scalar Urban Ecosystem Model for Environmental Justice, Eastern Mediterranean University, Faculty of Communication, Famagusta, North Cyprus, February 2026

Supervisor of Nafia Akdeniz, "An Ethnography of Place Attachment Communication: Varosha Narratives as Mnemonic Resistance", Eastern Mediterranean University, Faculty of Communication, Famagusta, North Cyprus, March 2021

Publications

Articles in SSCI / WoS Indexed Journals

Boğaç, C. & Koç, Ö. S. (2025). Shattered grounds, unbroken place identity: The emotional geography of Hatay post-earthquake. *Emotion, Space and Society*, ISSN: 1755-4586, Vol:56, pp.1-14.

Boğaç, C. (2024). A new theorization of non-binary urban geographies: introducing the 'urban grotesque', *Geografiska Annaler: Series B, Human Geography*, ISSN (printed): 0435-3684, ISSN (online): 1468-0467, DOI: 10.1080/04353684.2024.2405682

Boğaç, C. (2020). The process of developing an emotional nexus between the self and an uncanny geography: An autoethnography. *Emotion, Space and Society*, ISSN: 1755-4586, Vol:36, pp. 1-8

Boğaç, C. (2009). Place attachment in a Foreign Settlement. *Journal of Environmental Psychology*, ISSN: 0272-4944, 29. 2. pp.267–278

Articles in International Area Indexed Journals (Avery, DAAI)

Boğaç, C. (2025). Mimarlıkta "Anlam" Kaygısı (Concern with "Meaning" in Architecture). *Yapı Journal*, ISSN 1300-3437, Issue:499, pp.32-36, (Design and Applied Arts Index - DAAI).

Boğaç, C. (2024). Mimarlık Çıkmazı: Duygular ve Yer Dönüşümleri (The Architectural Impasse: Emotions and Transformations of Place). *Yapı Journal*, ISSN 1300-3437, Issue: 491, pp.32-36, (Design and Applied Arts Index - DAAI).

Boğaç, C. (2022). Platonik Yer Aşk: New York Üzerine (Platonic Love of Place: On New York). *Mimarlık Journal*, ISSN 1300-4212, Issue:428, pp.58-61 (Avery Index)

Articles in Scholarly Journals

Boğaç, C. (2023). Praxis of Urban Peacebuilding in Famagusta Cyprus. *Journal of Urban Research and Development*, ISSN (printed): 2822-2806, ISSN (online): 2718-0697, Vol. 4, No:1, pp.5-15

Boğaç, C. (2022). To Breathe upon a city. *Mapping Meaning, the Journal*, Issue 5 (Fall 2022), ISSN: 978-9925-572-86-1, pp.21-33.

Boğaç, C., Hançer, P. (2022). A Transformational Process of Integration: Ecocity and Eco Architecture. *Mapping Meaning, the Journal*, Issue 5 (Fall 2022), ISSN: 978-9925-572-86-1, pp.129-149.

Boğaç, C. (2017). Kent Ölçeğinde Barış Düzeni Kurabilme Pratiği: Mağusa Ekoşehir Projesi (Peace Building at the City Scale: The Famagusta Ecocity Project). *Mimarca*, March 2017, ISSN: 1306-3138, Issue: 83, pp.35- 43

Boğaç, C. (2012). Nefes Alıp Veren Bir Kent Manifestosu (Manifesto of a Breathing City). *İdeal Kent Dergisi*, Issue: 5, January 2012, ISSN 1307-9905, pp.220-225 (Conceptual essay / manifesto published in a peer-reviewed journal)

Articles in Independent Journals

Boğaç, C. (2021). Acı piyasaının yeni natürmortu: Maraş (The new still life of the pain market: Varosha). *Gaile Magazine (Yenidüzen Newspaper)*, 27 December 2021, Year: 11, Issue:448 e-journal

Boğaç, C. (2018). Zamansız çocuk- evsiz beden (Timeless Child- homeless body). *Gaile Magazine (Yenidüzen Newspaper)*, 02 December 2018, p.23

Boğaç, C. (2016). Yalanın Pornografisi (Pornography of Lie). *Gaile Magazine (Yenidüzen Newspaper)*, Issue 364, 10 April 2016, pp.12-13

Boğaç, C. (2015). Kadınlar Arasında: Şer (Between Women: Evil). *Gaile Magazine (Yenidüzen Newspaper)*, Issue 346, 29 November 2015, pp.2-3

Symposium & Congress Full Papers

Boğaç, C. (in press). Rethinking Housing for the Post-Anthropocene. In: *Proceedings of ICDIMSE 2.0 (2025)*, 26-28 June 2025, Chennai, India.

Boğaç, C. (2019). 'Love of place: Emotional engagements and psychological process', *Environmental Psychology: Humans in their surrounding world*, 4th EFPSA Conference, Kampus Hybernská, Prague Czech Republic, ISBN 978-80-263-1554-4, pp.13-18

Boğaç, C., Vehbi, B. O., Besim, D. Y., Bilsel, N. (2019). İnsan Belleğinde Mimarlık Hafızasının Oluşum Sürecinde Çocukluk Evresi: Kuzey Kıbrıs İçin Tespit ve Öneriler (Comments and Suggestions for Developing Architectural Memory in North Cyprus; Focusing on Childhood Period), 5. Mimarlık Eğitimi Kurultayı, Nicosia: Söylem Matbaası, pp.37-48

Akbil, E., Boğaç, C., Uluçay, B. (2014). Mimarlığın Özü: Ortak Zemin Arayışı (The Essence of Architecture: The Search for Common Ground), III. Mimarlık ve Eğitim Kurultayı: "Mimarlık ve Meslek Alanında Bütünleşme ve Dayanışma", Kıbrıs Türk Mimarlar Odası, Nicosia, North Cyprus, 31 January 2014, pp.52-56

Boğaç, C. (2012). Sosyal Değerlerin Kentsel Konut Mimarisi Üzerinden Dışavurumu: Gazimağusa Yeniboğaziçi Köyü Örneği (The Expression of Social Values through Urban Housing: The Case of Yeniboğaziçi Village in Famagusta), *Konut Kurultayı III: "Kıbrıs'ta Konut: Planlama, Tasarım ve Uygulama"*, Doğu Akdeniz Üniversitesi Mimarlık Fakültesi & Kıbrıs Türk Mimarlar Odası, Nicosia, North Cyprus, 09-10 March 2012, pp.117-142

Boğaç, C. (2008). 'Architecture for Meaning: Expression of Social Values in Urban Architecture in Northern Cyprus', "Doctoral Studies on Housing" Joint Symposium organized by HERA-C and HREC, 20-22 May 2008, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, pp.124-128

Boğaç, C. and Güley, K. (2007). 'Museum of Time: A study of Gazimağusa', *Proceedings of Social Science History Association*, 32nd Annual SSHA Conference, Chicago, Illinois, USA, pp. 93-103, 15-18 November

Boğaç, C. (2005). 'Should Architecture Mean Anything? Explorations into Approaches to Study Environmental Meaning in Architecture', *Proceedings of Research Institute for the Built and Human Environment (BuHu)*, 5th International Postgraduate Research Conference in The Built and Human Environment, 11-15 April 2005, The University of Salford, UK, pp.312-320

Books

Boğaç, C. (2010). *Architecture for Meaning: Expression of Social Values through Urban Housing in Gazimağusa*, North Cyprus, LAP LAMBERT Academic Publishing, ISBN-10: 3838395549 / ISBN-13: 978-3838395548

Edited Books

Şahin, N. P., Atun, R. A., Dağlı, U. U., Hassanpour, B., Boğaç, C., Öngül, Z., Güley, K. (2022). *Unspoken Issues in Architectural Education*, International Conference, Symposium Proceeding Book. e-ISBN: 978-605-9595-55-1, Faculty of Architecture, EMU Press, Famagusta, North Cyprus.

Markides, E., Boğaç, C., Kelly, R. (2019). *The Famagusta Ecocity: A New Path for Peace in Cyprus*, The Famagusta Ecocity Publishing, Famagusta, Cyprus (Republic of Cyprus, Ministry of Education and Culture, Cyprus Library, Centre for The Registration of Books and Serials, ISBN 978-9925-572-86-1)

Uraz, T. U., Özmen, B., Pulhan, H., Boğaç, C. (2014). *Doctoral Studies on Housing*, Joint Symposium by HERA-C & HREC, Symposium Proceeding Book. Faculty of Architecture, ISBN:9789758401932, EMU Press, Famagusta, North Cyprus

Dağlı, U., Olgaç Türker, Ö., Faslı, M., Güley, K., Boğaç, C., Uluçay, P. (2007). *Medi-triology 2*, International Gazimağusa Symposium, Faculty of Architecture, EMU Press, Famagusta, North Cyprus

Book Reviews

Boğaç, C. (2026). *Hep Yuvaya Dönmek* (Book review of Ursula K. Le Guin). *Mimarca*, Issue 99, pp.184–187.

Boğaç, C. (2021). *Mekansal Mutasyonlar (Spatial Mutations)*. *Mimarca*, Issue 91, pp.144–149. (Published in the “Online: Digital Spaces” special issue, book review section, prepared by Abdullah Can and Münevver Özgür Özersay.)

Podcasts

Boğaç, C. (2020). *Mekansal Mutasyonlar (Spatial Mutations)*. Eastern Mediterranean University, Faculty of Architecture, *Evde Kal Serisi Podcast*, 29 April 2020, New York.

Boğaç, C. (2019). *Emotions within Architecture*. Eastern Mediterranean University Podcast, 29 July 2019, Famagusta.

Newspaper Articles

Boğaç, C. (2017). *Lefkoşa’da Bir Kent Heterotopyası (A City Heterotopia in Nicosia)*. *Detay Newspaper*, 13 July 2017, p.14

Boğaç, C. (2014). *Bilimkurgu ve Geleceğin Düşünüp Hissedebilen Evleri (Science Fiction and the Smart Houses of Future)*. *Detay Newspaper*, 21 December 2014, p.17

Boğaç, C. (2010). *Vikingler’in Kuzeydeki Masal Kenti: Bergen (The Vikings' North Fairytale City: Bergen)*. *MekanPerest Newspaper*, 01 August 2010, Issue 12, p.12

Boğaç, C., Önal Hoşkara, Ş., Özmen Mayer, B. & Rıza, M. (2010). *Dosya V: 21. Yüzyılda Kentlerin Yeni-Değişen Yüzü (File V: New-Changing Face of Cities in the 21st Century)*. *MekanPerest Newspaper*, 20 June 2010, Issue 9, pp.7-10

Boğaç, C. (2010). *İnsan Tanrıların Kırallığı: Sefaletle İnat Mükemmelliğin Sonsuzluğa Taşdığı Şehir Kahire (The Kingdom of Human Gods: City of Cairo that Perfection Carries to Eternity Against Poverty)*. *MekanPerest Newspaper*, 06 June 2010, Issue 8, p.12

Boğaç, C. (2010). *Anarko-Sosyalist Manifesto: Mülksüzler (Anarcho-Socialist Manifesto: Dispossessed)*. *MekanPerest Newspaper*, 23 May 2010, Issue 7, p.13

Boğaç, C. (2010). *Şövalyeler Diyarına Yolculuk: Kartpostal Anıları Malta (Journey to the Kingdom of the Knights: Postcard Memories from Malta)*. *MekanPerest Newspaper*, 21 March 2010, Issue 4, p.12

Short Stories

Boğaç, C. (2022). *Kum Fırtınası (Sandstorm)*. *Bakırdan*, Yıllık edebiyat, kültür, sanat e-dergisi, Sayı: 4, Uluslararası Kıbrıs Üniversitesi, 2022, pp.89-91

Boğaç, C. (2021). *Cennetin İlk Basamağı (First Step of the Heaven)*. *Mimarca Mekan Anlatım Metin Yarışması*. (Eds.) Devrim Yücel Besim & Abdullah Can, KTMMOB Mimarlar Odası, Nicosia, 2020, pp.90-95

Boğaç, C. (2016). *Sayıklamalar (Murmurs)*. *Gaile Magazine*, Issue:393, 13 November 2016, pp.10-11

Boğaç, C. (2011). *Yedi Asır (Seven Centuries)*. *Gaile Magazine*, Issue:141, 11 December 2011, pp.10-11

Boğaç, C. (2011). *Bir Aşk: Bin Ölüm (One Love: Thousand Deaths)*. *Gaile Magazine*, Issue:139, 20 November 2011, pp.8-9

Boğaç, C. (2006). *Bittiğimiz Yerden Zamanı Getirebilmek İçin Sana (To Bring Time from Where We End)*. *Çirkef Magazine*, Issue:7, December 2006, pp.26-27

Boğaç, C. (2003). *Kan Yaşamdan Öcünü Aldı (Blood Got Its Revenge from Life)*. *International Turkish Language and Translation Magazine, TURNALAR*, Issue:9, 2003, pp.50-52

Boğaç, C. (2001). Göç ve Tün (Gidemem) (Migration and Night (I cannot leave). International Turkish Language and Translation Magazine, TURNALAR, Issue: 4, 2001; pp.47-48

Boğaç, C. (1997). Melekler Mutsuz Mudur? (Are Angels Sad?). International Turkish Language and Translation Magazine, TURNALAR, Issue:1, 1997, pp.74-75

Other professional activities

Scientific Meeting Presentations

"Rethinking Housing for the Post-Anthropocene", 2nd International Conference on Design Innovations and Management for Sustainable Environment, ICDIMSE_2.0 2025, 26th – 28th June, 2025, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India (virtual and in person)

"Urban Peacebuilding in Times of a Pandemic", Roundtable presentation, The 10th Annual Eurasian Peace Science Conference, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel (virtual), 13 January 2022

"Love of place: Emotional engagements and psychological process", EFPSA 2019 Conference, Environmental psychology: Humans in their surrounding world, Organized by the European Federation of Psychology Students' Associations (EFPSA), Prague, Czech Republic, 21-24 November 2019

"Constructing a peace praxis", In Between: Visions from Contested Cities, Organized by the Davis Institute for International Relations from the Hebrew University, and the Center for Regional Initiatives (IPCRI) in partnership with Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, Jerusalem, Israel, 20-22 November 2019

"Attachment to the Frozen Crises", Joint Master Seminar S3: "Crisis Architecture – 2 / Relation Nature – City: Permanent crisis situation", Organized by: Hepia, part of the University of Applied Sciences and Arts Western Switzerland, Geneva, Switzerland, 01-05 December 2014

"The Fracture and Destruction of the Memory of a City and a New Hope: Famagusta Ecocity Project", Reviving Famagusta, From Ghost Town to Eco-city? Conference, London School of Economics, Organized by Hellenic Observatory European Institute and LSE Contemporary Turkish Studies, Shaw Library, London, UK, Friday 21 February 2014

"Museum of Time: A study of Gazimağusa", Social Science History Association, 32nd Annual SSHA Conference, Chicago, Illinois, USA, pp. 93-103, 15-18 November 2007 (with Kamil Güley)

İnsan Belleğinde Mimarlık Hafızasının Oluşum Sürecinde Çocukluk Evresi: Kuzey Kıbrıs İçin Tespit ve Öneriler (Comments and Suggestions for Developing Architectural Memory in North Cyprus; Focusing on Childhood Period), 5. Mimarlık Eğitimi Kurultayı, Nicosia: Söylem Matbaası, ISBN: 978-605-5845-07-0, pp.37-48, 28 October 2017 (print 2019) (with Beser Vehbi, Devrim Yücel Besim, Nilay Bilsel)

Mimarlığın Özü: Ortak Zemin Arayışı (The Essence of Architecture: The Search for Common Ground), III. Mimarlık ve Eğitim Kurultayı: "Mimarlık ve Meslek Alanında Bütünleşme ve Dayanışma", Kıbrıs Türk Mimarlar Odası, Nicosia, North Cyprus, 31 January 2014, pp.52-56 (With Emre Akbil and Pınar Uluçay)

Sosyal Değerlerin Kentsel Konut Mimarisi Üzerinden Dışavurumu: Gazimağusa Yeniboğaziçi Köyü Örneği (The Expression of Social Values through Urban Housing: The Case of Yeniboğaziçi Village in Famagusta), Konut Kurultayı III: "Kıbrıs'ta Konut: Planlama, Tasarım ve Uygulama", Doğu Akdeniz Üniversitesi Mimarlık Fakültesi & Kıbrıs Türk Mimarlar Odası, Nicosia, North Cyprus, 09-10 March 2012, pp.117-142

Keynotes

"Emotional Vortexes and Place Transmutations", Keynote Speech, the 8th International Conference on New Trends in Architecture and Interior Design 2022, organized by Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University, Cyprus, 16-17 May 2022

"Praxis of urban peacebuilding in Famagusta Cyprus", Keynote Speech, 2nd Regional Urban Morphology Conference, Cyprus Network of Urban Morphology, Cyprus (virtual), 7-8 April 2022

"The Famagusta Ecocity Project: Turning a Fragmented City and Ghost Town into a Vibrant and Unified Model of Ecology and Peace", 13th Annual Canova International Architect Encounter, Organized by Canova Association, Domodossola, Italy, 26-30 June 2014

Invited Talks

"Emotional Geographies and Urban Futures of Famagusta", Famagusta Dialogues, a joint initiative of the Departments of Architecture at Bilkent University and Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 23 January 2026

"AI for Architecture Students: Studio Skills and Future Practice", Department of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 22 December 2025

"Transforming Divides: Insights from the Urban Peace-Building Studio", Seminar, İstanbul Technical University, organized by İTÜ Department of Interior Architecture, İstanbul, Turkey, 13 October 2025

"AI in Architecture, Part III: Design", Seminar (interactive), Department of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2 July 2025

"AI in Architecture: Foundations in Research & Teaching", Seminar, Department of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2 July 2025

“Experience sharing- AI in Architecture: Enhancing Research, Teaching, and Design”, Seminar (interactive), Department of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 14 May 2025

“Echoes of Famagusta: Strategies for ecology and coexistence”, Seminar, İstanbul Technical University, organized by İTÜ Department of Architecture, Graduation Project Jury A, İstanbul, Turkey (virtual), 05 March 2025

“The Urban Grotesque: A New Theory for Non-Binary Urban Geographies”, Seminar, Second Annual Research Day, organised by Department of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 17 January 2025

“Pratt Enstitüsünde (NY) Mimarlık Eğitimine Bakış: Araştırma, Yaratıcılık, Çeşitlilik” (An Overview of Architectural Education at Pratt Institute (NY): Research, Creativity, Diversity), Seminar, Maltepe University Department of Architecture, İstanbul, Turkey (virtual), 20 November 2024

“Fostering community participation and eco-living strategies for Famagusta” , organised by United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus, MASDER, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 29 July 2024

“Famagusta Futures: Towards Ecological and Sustainable Peace”, Seminar, Bilkent Department of Urban Design and Landscape Architecture (Bilkent LAUD), Ankara, Turkey (virtual), 1 March 2024

“Cityscapes of feeling: Emotional Engagements and Urban Design”, EMU Urban Design Master Program Seminar Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus (virtual & in person), 27 December 2023

“The Vision of an Ecopolis”, Seminar, German University in Cairo, Cairo, Egypt (virtual), 9 November 2022

“Inspirelli Live Talk No.9: Students meet Advisors Awards meet Education”, Prague, Czech Republic (virtual) 17 March 2022

Special speaker of 75th anniversary of the Fulbright program, US Embassy Cyprus, Nicosia, 29 October 2021

“Yerle Duygusal Etkileşim: Araştırma Metotları ve Analiz” (Emotional Interaction with a Place: Research Methods and Analysis), Kent ve Mimarlık Yüksek Lisans Tez ve Araştırmaları Seminerleri, Özyeğin University, İstanbul, Turkey (virtual), 26 Mart 2021

“Urban peacebuilding with community”, Cyprus Issue, and the role that the European Union, Organized by Department of International Relations and Global Politics, The American University of Rome European House in Nicosia, Cyprus, 14 January 2019

“Divided Cities in Conflict- Urban Peacebuilding”, Organized by Konrad Adenauer Stiftung (KAS) Jerusalem, & Israel-Palestine Creative Regional Initiatives (IPCRI), Home for Cooperation, Nicosia, Cyprus, 14 October 2018

“The Famagusta Ecocity Project: The Story and the Principles” (together with Christina Elia and Fiona Mullen), The “Journey” International Summer School, Organized by Cyprus University of Technology and Climate-KIC, Limassol, Cyprus, 05 July 2017

Postgraduate Response for “Community, Collaboration & Communication in the Design Studio” paper by Noam Austerlitz & Avigail Sachs, International Architectural Education panel, Design Studios Teaching Practices, Organized by: Open House International Journal, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 14 April 2006

“Architecture and Utopia: Brutal City”, Student Meeting 8.5, Arkitopya, Organized by: Faculty of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2004

Organization Committee Work

Conferences

Organization Committee Member: ICDIMSE 2.0, The second International Conference on Design Innovations and Management for Sustainable Environment, Eastern Mediterranean University and Sathyabama Institute of Science and Technology, Chennai, India, 26-27 June 2025

Scientific Committee Member: GENDER & ART and Other Gender Studies, The 8th International Conference on Gender Studies, Center for Women’s Studies, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2022

Organization Committee Member & Secretariat: Second International Conference, Unspoken Issues in Architectural Education, Eastern Mediterranean University, Faculty of Architecture, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2022

Organization Committee Member: International Urban Design Conference: Young Researchers Forum@Re-Discovering Urban Design, Eastern Mediterranean University, Department of Architecture, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2020

Organization Committee Member: International Conference: “Meaning of Architecture for Communities in Transformation” INTBAU Cyprus, Nicosia, North Cyprus, 2013

Organization Committee Member: Housing Congress III: Housing in Cyprus: Planning, Design and Implementation in North Cyprus, Eastern Mediterranean University, Faculty of Architecture & Cyprus Chamber of Turkish Architects, Nicosia, North Cyprus, 2012

Organization Committee Member: AicE-Bs 2011 Famagusta, cE-Bs© Centre for Environment-Behaviour Studies, Faculty of Architecture, Planning & Surveying, Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM), Malaysia & Co- Host: EMU Urban Research & Development Centre, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2011

Organization Committee Member: Medi-triology 2, International Gazimağusa Symposium, Faculty of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2007

Academic & Educational Events

Organization Committee Member: "Returning to the Ground" workshop by Ergin K. Birinci, Ryszard Rychlicki and Karolina Ferenc, and seminars by Ergin K. Birinci, Ryszard Rychlicki and Karolina Ferenc, Can Cumalı and Çağlar İşbilir from Mono Earth, Inana Abdulli and Kesra Mansuri from Solidified. The education program is organized by Research Center for Interdisciplinary Studies in Built Environment (ISBE), Faculty of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, 02-04 December 2025

Project Developer and Leader: Fulbright Specialist Program Project entitled "Experiential Learning: Public Interest Design", in collaboration with invited Fulbright Specialist: Prof. Dr. Charlie Hailey, School of Architecture, University of Florida, USA, organized by Research Center for Interdisciplinary Studies in Built Environment (ISBE), Faculty of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, 30 November-18 December 2023

Organization Committee Member: MOBBİG (Turkish Republic and Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus Architecture Schools Department Chairs Communication Group) 43, Eastern Mediterranean University, Department of Architecture, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2016

Organization Committee Member: Housing Education, Research & Advisory Center (HERA-C), Housing Talks I, "A room of one's own", Invited speakers Hüseyin Özinal & Neşe Yaşın, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2014

Team Leader: Border-Land New Social Housing International Workshop at Master Level, Team Leader of PhD Helping Cruise, HERA-C Eastern Mediterranean University Famagusta/ North Cyprus & Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, USA, 2009

Organization Committee Member: International Summer School, Faculty of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2005

Organization Committee Member: MOBBİG (Turkish Republic and Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus Architecture Schools Department Chairs Communication Group) 16, Eastern Mediterranean University, Department of Architecture, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2003

Art & Design Events

Organization Committee Member: Eastern Mediterranean University 11th International Design Week (EMU INT-DW), Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2024

Organization Committee Member: Eastern Mediterranean University, 9th International Design Week (EMU INT-DW), Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2019

Organization Committee Member: Eastern Mediterranean University, 8th International Design Week (EMU INT-DW), Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2018

Assistant Coordinator: "Risky Travels" Sculpture Exhibition, Paphos 2017 European Capital of Culture, Cyprus, 2017

Coordinator (with Netice Yıldız): Exhibition "A section from Turkish Cypriot Artists Baki Boğaç, Feridun Işman, İnci Kansu, Güner Pir, Emel Samioğlu", For the occasion of MOBBİG 16, Faculty of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2003

Institutional Representation

Representing EMU Department of Architecture: MOBBİG (Turkish Republic and Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus Architecture Schools Department Chairs Communication Group) 39 'Çokluk', İstanbul Bilgi University, İstanbul, Turkey, November 2014

Representing Yeniboğaziçi Municipality: Cittaslow International Assembly, Vaals, Alphen-Chaam, Midden-Delfland, Netherlands, 18-22 June 2014

Representing Yeniboğaziçi Municipality: Cittaslow International Assembly, Seherihisar/ Turkey, 06-09 June 2013

Workshops

Workshop Executor (with Kokan Grchev, Pinar Uluçay Righelato, Eliz Erdenizci): "El Lissitzky's Proun Room - Living Thresholds: Re-Imagining Shared Spaces in Flux", 12th International Design Week, Eastern Mediterranean University, Faculty of Architecture, Famagusta/ North Cyprus, 2025

Workshop Executor (with Yonca Hürol, Kağan Günçe, Afet Coşkun and Nevter Zafer Cömer): "A Story of a House in the Walls", 7th International Design Week, Eastern Mediterranean University, Faculty of Architecture, Famagusta/ North Cyprus, 2017

Representative of The Famagusta Ecocity Project: "A Famagusta Workshop", Organized by EMU Department of Architecture for İstanbul Technical University, Department of Urban and Regional Planning, The project 3, Regional Analysis and Development Scenarios, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2014

Workshop Executor (with Asu Tozan): “Design by Nature: Biomimetics”, 4th International Design Week, Eastern Mediterranean University Faculty of Architecture, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2012

Workshop Executor (with Üstün Alsaç and Yonca Hürol): International Gazimağusa Symposium, Medi-Trilogy, Faculty of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2004

Workshop Participant: LabPlace İstanbul, Workshop executors: Pelin Tan, Zühre Sözeri, 1st İstanbul Architecture Festival organized by Arkitera Architecture Center, İstanbul, Turkey, 2004

Competitions

Participant (with Şebnem Önal Hoşkara, Esra Can Akbil, Mohsen S. Far, Amir Rashidi & Koorosh Ghotb- Group Entopia): Urban Intervention: The Howard S. Wright Design Ideas Competition for Public Space: INVOID FORUM Project, AIA Seattle, Next 50 Seattle Center 2012, Seattle Centre, Seattle, USA, 2012

Participant (with Yara Saifi, Deniz Sarı, Hacer Başarır & Barçın Boğaç): III. Sand Sculpture Festival, Departments of: Interior Architecture, Industrial Design, and Visual Arts & Visual Communication Design together with Activity Center, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2009

Participant (with Ahmet M. Saymanlier & Ali Tanrikul): Construction of Structures Using Wood, Bergen International Wood Festival, Bergen, Norway, 2006

Jury Memberships

Evaluation Committee Member: Fulbright Visiting Scholar Selection for 2023/2024, U.S. Embassy in Nicosia, Cyprus, 14 December 2022.

Evaluation Committee Member: Fulbright Visiting Scholar Selection for 2022/2023, U.S. Embassy in Nicosia, Cyprus, 15 December 2021.

Certified Juror: Inspireli Awards, Prague, Czech Republic, 2021-Present.

Evaluation Committee Member: Fulbright Visiting Scholar Selection for 2021/2022, U.S. Embassy in Nicosia, Cyprus, 10 December 2020.

Membership in Professional Associations

Society for International Development, SID-Lefkoşa Chapter, North Cyprus, 2011-Present

The International Network for Traditional Building, Architecture and Urbanism, INTBAU Cyprus Chapter, Cyprus, 2010- Present

Chamber of Cyprus Turkish Architects, North Cyprus, 2002-Present

Professional Honors & Awards

Research Grants

Fulbright Visiting Scholar grant (15,354 \$): “2019-20 Fulbright Visiting Scholars Program”, J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board, U.S. Embassy in Nicosia, Cyprus, 2019

Type C (BAP-C) Scientific Research Project (9.840 ₺), together with Jason Winn: “Deriving a Narrative Infrastructure from Community Stories in Famagusta Walled City”, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2018

EU research scholarship (15.000 €): “The Turkish Cypriot Community Programme for the Academic Year 2010/11”, European Commission, Prague, Czech Republic, 2010-2011

Project Grants

Bringing the Turkish Cypriot Community Closer to the European Union: Promotion of Youth Exchanges and Other People to People Contacts Grant (Reference: EuropeAid/126444/C/ACT/CY) (48,975 €), together with Münise Alibeyoğlu, Hakan Ağıt, Naz Ağıt and Gürkan Uluçhan, The European Commission, 2009

Research Awards

Publication Award 2025, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus

ULAKBİM (Turkish Academic Network and Information Center) International Scientific Publication Incentive Program Award 2025, TÜBİTAK, Ankara, Turkey

Research Incentive Award 2021, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus

Research Incentive Award 2020, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus

ULAKBİM (Turkish Academic Network and Information Center) International Scientific Publication Incentive Program Award 2020, TÜBİTAK, Ankara, Turkey

Publication Award 2020, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus

Design Award

Tax' Entitled Emblem and Slogan Competition, Mansion Prize: TRNC Ministry of Finance, Nicosia, North Cyprus, 2008

Art Awards

'Defne Magazine' Story Writing Competition, 3rd Prize: "Yedi Asır" (Seven Centuries), TRNC Ministry of Culture and Education, Nicosia, North Cyprus, 2010

Short- Story Writing Competition, 1st Prize: "Bir Aşk Bin Ölüm" (One Love: Thousand Deaths), Cyprus Writers Association and Cyprus Turkish Artists and Writers Association, Nicosia, North and South Cyprus, 2008

International Turkish Language and Translation Symposium, 'Promising Writer' Prize: "Melekler Mutsuz Mudur? (Are Angels Sad?), Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 1997

Poem Writing Competition, 'Promotion' Prize: "Nereden?" (From where?), Cyprus Art Association, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 1996

Story Writing Competition, 1st Prize: "Ve Öldürdüm" (And I Killed), RESO, Deniz Bank, Nicosia, North Cyprus, 1996

Poem Writing Competition, 1st Prize: "Kan Lekesi" (Blood Stain), TRNC Ministry of Culture and Education, Nicosia, North Cyprus, 1995

Theater Festival, Original Music 1st Prize (as a composer): "Parkta Bir Sonbahar Günüyüdü" (A Day at Park in Autumn), TRNC Ministry of Culture and Education, Theater Festival, Nicosia, North Cyprus, 1994

Poem Night, The Youngest Poet Prize: "Bulut'tan" (From the Cloud), Cyprus Art Association, Famagusta, North Cyprus, 1994

Community Services

Project Consultant: CittaSlow Network Participation Process, Geçitkale Municipality & EMU Faculty of Architecture, Geçitkale, North Cyprus, 2016-2018

Team member: The Famagusta Ecocity Project, Uniting through sustainability, Non-Profit Project (Initial Funding 33,842 \$ via Kickstarter, 25,000 \$ via Private Donations), Cyprus, 2014- Present

Project Consultant: CittaSlow Network Participation Process, Yeniboğaziçi Municipality & EMU Department of Architecture, Yeniboğaziçi, North Cyprus, 2012-2015

Sustainable Development Stakeholder Panel, Construction Working Group Member: Interpeace & Cyprus 2015 Initiative in partnership with the United Nations, Nicosia, Cyprus, 2010-2011

Assistant Project Coordinator & Graphic Designer: MekanPerest - Architecture, Environment and Construction Newspaper, Social responsibility project of Faculty of Architecture, Eastern Mediterranean University (Distributor: Havadis Newspaper), Famagusta, North Cyprus, 2010-2011

Project Coordinator: Advocating for Human Rights and Queer Spaces in Turkish Cypriot Community, The European Commission Funded Non-Profit Project (48,975 €), Nicosia, North Cyprus, London, UK, Brussels, Belgium, Manchester, UK, Malta, Malta, 2009-2011