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Date and time: Saturday 23 September 2023, 4pm – 7pm

Session One

Topic title	Reviving the Past Finding New Life
Topic summary	The presentation aims to emphasize the value of preserving the past while propelling it into the future, showcasing the successful adaptations that have breathed new life into these buildings. By intertwining the concepts of reviving the past and finding new life, this title captures the essence of the projects about the transformative journey undertaken.
Learning outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• the importance of preserving historical buildings and the value they bring to communities.• Exploring innovative approaches to revitalizing historical structures and giving them a fresh lease on life• Learning about successful examples of adaptive reuse projects that have breathed new life into old buildings.• Gaining inspiration and ideas for how to bridge the gap between preserving the past and embracing the future
Speaker name	Mouaz Abouzaid , Verform Design Studio

Speaker introduction


Abouzaid is a Cairo-born architect whose key focus is on simple and functional buildings which also emphasise context and aesthetics. He strives to create designs that both simplify and enhance the interaction of people and the built environment.

Abouzaid was voted Middle East Architect Young Architect of the Year twice in 2014 & 2016 and nominated for Architect of the Year in 2018. That same year he was appointed curator for the Egyptian National Pavilion at the Venice Biennale.

Speaker photo



Session Two: pre-recorded module

Topic title	Understanding Conservation Architecture
Topic summary	Do you have a passion for conservation architecture? Do you want to develop specialist knowledge and skills in the field? This session gives information on the role of the conservation architect, conservation accreditation and how it could be applied internally.
Learning outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is a Conservation Architect? • What is conservation accreditation and how could it be applied internationally? • Introduction to the RIBA Conservation Courses • ICOMOS international education and training guidelines • Outline of the RIBA Conservation course and what the different modules cover
Speaker name	Janie Price, Kennedy O’Callaghan Architects
<p>Speaker introduction</p> <p>Janie has led the RIBA conservation course since 2018. She has a diploma in building conservation from the AA and is accredited as SCA and AABC. She has been an assessor for the RIBA and CARE conservation registers and a member of the RIBA Conservation Group. As partner at Kennedy O’Callaghan Architects, she is experienced in a wide variety of conservation work at all stages, from medieval farmhouses, museums and palaces, design guidance in conservation areas, to conservation in Antarctica.</p> <p>Speaker photo</p> 	

Following the above session Belinda Irlam-Mowbray, Director Commercial Programmes and Delivery, will advise the audience of the forthcoming RIBA Conservation Course, delivered online via 6 view on demand modules. She will also seek feedback from the audience on the interest for an international RIBA Conservation Course and Cairo-specific site visit day to accompany the course.

Session Three:

Topic title	Climate Resilience
Topic summary	A talk based on the liberation of green building from industrial myths. Advocating how architects can be relevant in the age of AI by solving beyond the programme and plan given by clients. That without environmental and social impact, design remains exclusive and decoupled from the needs of humanity.
Learning outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• the case for climate resilience in the sector• creating affordable and accessible solution knowledge• delivering new ideas on the use of indigenous and local community• the future of architecture• how education and design can innovate
Speaker name	Sarah El Battouty

Speaker introduction

Sarah is a global award winning architect with almost 20 years' experience in the field of Green and Environmental Buildings and Sustainable Development. In her latest position she now serves as a Global Ambassador to the UNFCCC High Level Champions to act as a global ambassador for Race To Zero and Race To Resilience towards Climate Action at Cop27, 28 and beyond. She is the first designer, architect to be nominated for this global position.

Sarah is the founder of Egypt's unique Environmental Design, training and strategy company EConsult who have achieved the highest number of energy saving certified projects in Egypt by an Egyptian consultant. In 2014 Sarah was appointed as a senior Advisor to the Egyptian President focusing on sustainable community development.

Speaker photo



Session Four:

Topic title	Designing Sustainably
Topic summary	An overview of the factors to be incorporated as we equip ourselves to apply the core principles of sustainable development to the design of our buildings and cities.
Learning outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increase awareness of the core principles that are needed to be combined to form an integrated response in the delivery of sustainable design.• Identify how these core principles relate to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 2030.• Offer an understanding of how these principles are being applied and achieved in the built environment in Egypt.
Speaker name	Sandra Woodall , FRIBA, Tangram Architects

Speaker introduction

Sandra is a passionate environmentalist, architect, urbanist, educator, and mentor who has lived and worked in the MENA region for almost 30 years. She leads tangram architects' award-winning regional studio, described for over a decade as “a practice that pushes the boundaries of design, with sustainability at its’ core”. They have received many notable accolades, including six international sustainable design awards and in 2019, were recognised as the “MENA Architecture Firm of the Year”, by Middle East Economic Digest.

Sandra is a Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects, the Royal Society of Arts, an Academician at the UK’s Academy of Urbanism and beyond practice she teaches Sustainable Design to architecture and urbanism students at universities worldwide. She was recognised recently as a pioneer in sustainability and climate tech by the UAE Government.

Speaker photo

