

## Editorial

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As the staff of A|Z ITU Journal of the Faculty of Architecture, we are very honored to inform you about an update in our publishing plan and that we have increased our annual number of issues from two to three. We hope to be able to bring about gradual changes in the near future for a successful indexation and more importantly, for further progress of the journal. This issue has a special dossier subject and nine articles in the theory section.

The dossier subject for this A|Z ITU Journal of the Faculty of Architecture issue is “Young Views on Urban Design” and it is edited by Nuran Zeren Gülersoy, İpek Akpınar and Fatma Pelin Öztürk Ekdi. The dossier part consists of nine selected papers presented at the “Young Views on Urban Design” Symposium. These papers focus on different layers of Istanbul, cover emerging topics of discussions on urban field not only in the academic arena but also in the everyday public life.

Besides the dossier section, this issue consists of nine articles in the theory section, addressing significant architectural issues:

The first article entitled ‘Appropriation in Souvenir Design and Production: A Study in Museum Shops’ is written by Kaya Ç. and Yağız B. This study examines the product attributes of souvenirs from the perspective of design. The aim of this study is to investigate the link between the physical attributes of souvenirs and their source material or references in order to describe the role of design in the commoditization process.

The second article entitled ‘Perceived Values of Web-based Collective Design Platforms from the Perspective of Industrial Designers in Reference to Quirky and OpenIDEO’ is written by Hajiamiri M. and Korkut F. This study reveals six values emphasized by the industrial designers concerning the web-based collective design platforms: Supportiveness, collectiveness, appreciativeness, responsiveness, trustworthiness, and tangibility of outcome.

These values give reference to some potential motivation factors or drivers for industrial designers’ participation in collective design platforms.

The third article entitled ‘Towards New Sources for Industrial Product Design Curriculum: Collectivism and Social Network’ is written by Gelmez K. and Bağlı H. This article includes two separate projects whose common ideas are experimentalism and up-to-dateness. These projects are conducted in the ‘Department of Industrial Product Design at Istanbul Technical University’. The first section stresses a collective design activity conducted in ‘Basic Design’ course and the second one discusses a newly introduced method of developing personas by using a social network website.

The fourth article entitled ‘Scenario-Based Land Use Estimation: The Case of Sakarya’ is written by Terzi F. This paper presents scenario-based modelling of urban land use, which stem from interactions of the urban functions of Sakarya, one of the most important cities for agricultural production and a vulnerable region in terms of natural resources and seismicity in Turkey. The purpose of the paper is to estimate the future land use pattern of Sakarya and discuss the environmental effects of alternative spatial policies.

The fifth article entitled ‘Proposals for Redevelopment of Haliç Shipyards from the perspective of Local Economic Development’ is written by Beygo C. This study aims to propose local economic development strategies for Haliç Dockyards in Golden Horn, Istanbul in order to increase the quality of life of the neighborhood residents. In the article, local development strategies, which are in harmony with the historical and cultural texture and the natural environment on the case of the historical Halic Dockyards located in the center of Istanbul Metropolitan Area (IMA), are developed.

The sixth article entitled ‘Institutionalization of disaster risk discourse in reproducing urban space in Istanbul’ is written by Eren M. Ö and Özçevik Ö. This study argues that, the ongoing “disaster risk discourse” defining the neoliberal urban transformation

in Turkey is a versatile tool serving for state's ideological, political and economical interests. The article is based on the findings of the research carried for the PhD Thesis on "Dynamics of Reproduction of Urban Space in Istanbul". This specific analysis is based on the contents of policy documents and decisions, media releases of public bodies, private companies and civil and opposition groups; and also interviews, which were carried out during the thesis research and conducted with real estate developers and representatives of opposition groups, are engaged in the study.

The seventh article entitled 'Women, Social Housing and Urban Spaces: Places to dwell and places where women are being attacked on their way home' is written by Tiftik C. and Turan İ. In this article, the subject is examined by first providing a brief literature review on gender issues and women in urban space, urban violence, defensible space and crime prevention by design. A case study is presented together with observations and determinations regarding Bezirganbahçe -a TOKİ (Bureau for Social Housing Administration) Social Housing Development in Istanbul, Turkey- and the case is analyzed in terms of security and safety measures within the context of urban violence and women.

The eighth article entitled 'On informal Developments' is written by Falay A. İ. M. This article gives information about informal and vernacular architecture and investigates informal

settlements in the case of Istanbul. In this study, existing housing settlements in Istanbul are categorized into several groups and it is claimed that informal settlements represent better architectural and urban qualities.

The ninth article entitled 'Post Disaster Shelter Design and CPoDS' is written by Torus B. and Şener S. M. This article deals with post disaster management and reconstruction that are complex processes having many phases and actors working in order to recover the damage. In this study, CPoDS (Container Post Disaster Shelters) is detailed, which is a tool in order to generate temporary shelters with containers. The generation is made by a productive system, which produces alternatives for different communities.

I hope the articles in this issue will provide a platform to discuss and develop new studies in the fields of architecture, technology, design and planning. I would like to thank all the people who have contributed to the success of this journal: the authors, the reviewers, the editors and the secretarial board. I want to express my sincere thanks to Çağatay Seçkin, Vice Dean, for his assistance in being a kind facilitator to our requests for publishing. I would like to express my special appreciation and thanks to Koray Gelmez, Buket Metin, Sibel Yasemin Özgan, Feride Şener Yılmaz, who have contributed to the editing and desktop publishing processes. I am happy to work with them.