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### Education

- 2009-now: TU Berlin - **Ph.D. Candidate in Urban Planning** (The title of my thesis: Public place as a stage for social life/ the relationship between public place & social event), under supervision of Prof. Dr. Gabi Dolff-Bonekämper); as DAAD<sup>1</sup> Ph.D. Scholarship holder.
- 2005-2008: University of Shahid Beheshti (SBU), Tehran, Iran- **Ph.D. Student in Urban Design**. (I passed the “qualifying (comprehensive) examinations” in October 2008 and after being granted a Ph.D. full scholarship by DAAD I’d stopped Ph.D. in SBU and moved to Berlin).
- 1999- 2003: University of Shahid Beheshti, Tehran, Iran- **MA in Urban Design**.
- 1992-1999: Azad University of Mashhad, Iran- **MA in Architecture**.

### Academic Experience

- 2004-6: **Member of founder academic board** for establishing “Urban Planning Department” in Guilan University, Rasht, Iran- in Frame of Academic Protocol between TU-Berlin & Guilan University.
- 2006: (winter semester): **Teaching Assistant**- Faculty of Architecture & Urbanism, University of Shahid Beheshti- Course 2<sup>nd</sup> year Master of Urban Design- “Urban Psychology” seminar.
- 2004 & 5 & 6: (winter semester): **Lecturer**- Faculty of Architecture & Art, University of Guilan, Rasht, Iran- Course 1st year Bachelor of Urban Planning- “Urban Studies” seminar.
- 2002 & 3 & 4: (winter semester): **Teaching Assistant**- Faculty of Architecture & urbanism, University of Shahid Beheshti, Tehran, Iran - Course 1<sup>st</sup> year Master of Urban Design- “An Intellectual History of Urbanism”.
- 2003-4: **Lecturer** at Shahid Beheshti University, Unit of “Jahad Daneshgahi”, Tehran, Iran, Studio course of 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> year Diploma of Architecture- “Architectural Design”.
- 2002-3: **Lecturer** at Art University, Unit of “Jahad Daneshgahi”, Tehran, Iran, Studio course of 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> year Diploma of Architecture- “Architectural Drawing”.

<sup>1</sup> Deutscher Akademische Austausch Dienst <https://www.daad.de/en/>

## Publications and Presentations

- 2013: Publication of Article titled **“A Glimpse on a Non-Profit Organization for Women Working in the Building Enterprise, in Berlin”** in Iranian Architecture and Construction Quarterly, Issue 34, jointly by Shiva Shadavan, Tehran, spring, in Persian.
- 2013: Presenting in „Die Lange Nacht der Wissenschaften 2013 - Haus der Stadt<sup>2</sup>“, entitled: **“ Secretly public–heimlich öffentlich“**, TU Berlin, June 8, in English.
- 2013: Presenting in 3rd global conference “Urban Popcultures”, entitled: **“Carnival of Cultures in Berlin, a Multi-Culture Pop-Performance in Public Place“**, Prague, Czech Republic, May 12-14, in English.
- 2013: Presenting in HTW<sup>3</sup>-Berlin, department of International and Development Economics, entitled: **“Participatory Urban Regeneration Projects in degenerated Neighborhoods, the case of Tehran/Iran”**, jointly by Mahfarid Mansourian, April 9, in English.
- 2011: Presenting in International Conference “The Death + Life of Social Factors, Reexamining Behavioral and Cultural Research in Environmental Design”, entitled **“What we design and in what people live”**, University of California, Berekley, 29 April - 1 May, in English.
- 2008: Publication of Article titled **“Image Narrative of Public Realm”** in Iranian Architecture Quarterly, Issue 29+30- , jointly held by Vahidreza Ebrahimi Kargar Shirazi, September 10, in Persian.
- 2006: Presenting **“Comparison Study between Historic Centers Projects of Aleppo, Al-Madinah & Mashhad”** to the “ Society of Iranian Architects”, Tehran Artists House, jointly held by Vahidreza Ebrahimi Kargar Shirazi, July, in Persian.
- 2006: Publication of Article titled **“A Primary Question about Concept of City”** in Andisheye Iranshahr Quarterly, Issue Vol.2, and #6, Tehran, June 10, in Persian.
- 2006: Publication of book: Jahanshah Pakzad, **“Urban Design: Theoretical Foundations and Design Process”<sup>4</sup>**, Co-Writer & Researchers: Marzieh Torabi & Naghmeh Torkzadeh & Morvarid Ghasemi, Shahidi Publisher, October, in Persian.
- 2006: E-Publication of Seminar proceedings **“Sustainable development of emerging settlement patterns/** International workshop on issues assessment on two urban fabrics”, Editors: Adrian Atkinson, Ali Ghaffari Sedeh, Marzieh Torabi; Mashhad/ Iran, July 1-6, in English.
- 2005: Publication of book: Jahanshah Pakzad, **“Design Guides for Urban Spaces in Iran”<sup>5</sup>**, Co-Writers & Researchers: Marzieh Torabi & Naghmeh Torkzadeh & Morvarid Ghasemi, Housing Ministry Publisher, October, in Persian.
- 2005: Presentation of Article titled **“City and Natural Environment, Peaceful Symbiosis or Fight”** in International TU Berlin Summer School, Published in TU Berlin Summer School Proceedings<sup>6</sup>, September 7-19, in English.
- 2005: Presentation of Honored Article titled **“Mechanism of Meaning Component in Residential Quarter (Mahalleh) Design”** in “Community Development, Perspective

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.lndw.tu-berlin.de/programm/haus-der-stadt/>

<sup>3</sup> Hochschule für Technik und Wirtschaft Berlin <http://mide.htw-berlin.de/>

<sup>4</sup> ISBN: 964 – 96838 – 1- x

<sup>5</sup> ISBN: 964 – 94764 – 3- 1

<sup>6</sup> SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF SETTLEMENT PATTERNS PROCEEDINGS: INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE AND SUMMER SCHOOL, 7-19 SEPTEMBER 2005, BERLIN/ GERMANY. ISBN: 3 7983 1958 8

- of Tehran Sustainable Development” Conference, held by Municipality of Tehran, March, in Persian.
- 2005: Publication of Article titled **“The Role of Traffic Square in City”** in Municipalities Monthly (Shahrdariha), Issue 67, Tehran, December, in Persian.
- 2004: Presentation of Article titled **“Informal Economy, Opportunities & Limitations”** in International TU Berlin Summer School; Published in TU Berlin Summer School Proceedings<sup>7</sup>, August 31 – September 10, in English.
- 2003: Presentation of Article titled **“Collective Meaning transformation Process in Tehran”** in International TU Berlin Summer School, June 29 – July 7, in English.
- 2001: Publication of Article titled **“Sense of Place in New Towns, Case study: Fooladshahr”** in Municipalities Monthly (Shahrdariha), Issue 31, Tehran, December, in Persian.
- 2001: Publication of Article titled **“Peddlers in Urban Spaces, Complement or Intruder?”** in Municipalities Monthly (Shahrdariha), Issue 24, Tehran, April, in Persian.

### Research Experience

- 2012: Participating in STUBE<sup>8</sup> Weekend Seminar **“Gender, Migration, Culture”**, Berlin-Wannsee, August 31- September 2.
- 2011: Participating in STUBE Weekend Seminar **“Art, Media and Social Resistance”** in Hamburg, September 16-18.
- 2011: Participating in STUBE Weekend Seminar **“Democratization through School Education”** in Wallmow-Germany, May 19-22.
- 2010: Participating in Symposium **“Establishing a German-Iranian Student Dialogue”** in Berlin, September 17-19.
- 2010: Participating in INTBAU<sup>9</sup> **“Study Tour of Berlin”**, in Berlin & Potsdam & Dresden, September 9-12.
- 2007: Participation in International Workshop titled **“Strategies to a Sustainable Local Development: Urban Renewal and Informal transformations Process”** in Alger-Organized by URDN<sup>10</sup>, May 5 - 10.
- 2004: Research assistant for **“Revising the Syllabus of Master Degree in Urban Design”**, Shahid Beheshti University, Tehran.
- 2003: Master’s thesis in Urban Design titled **“Embodiment of Meaning in Urban Spaces, Mechanism of Meaning Component in Urban Spaces Design”**, Shahid Behesti University, Tehran, September.
- 1999- Master’s thesis in Architecture titled **“Comparison Study of Architecture & literature in Iran, The Role of Durable elements of them in Historic Continuing”** jointly held by Vahidreza Ebrahimi Kargar Shirazi, Islamic Azad University, Mashhad, Iran, September.

<sup>7</sup> URBAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN A GLOBALISING WORLD PROCEEDING: INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE AND SUMMER SCHOOL, 31 AUGUST - 10 SEPTEMBER 2004, BERLIN/ GERMANY. ISBN: 3 7983 1991 x

<sup>8</sup> Studienbegleitprogramm Berlin-Brandenburg <http://www.esgberlin.de/stube>

<sup>9</sup> International Network for Traditional Building , Architecture & Urbanism <http://www.intbau.org/>

<sup>10</sup> Urban and Rural Development Network, TU Berlin <http://urdn.tu-berlin.de/activities/seminars.php>

## Professional experience

- 2007- 8: Project manager and designer – urban design of 11 community centers in Tehran- ordered by Municipality of Tehran, Iran.
- 2007: Major adviser and designer- Amood consulting engineers, Tehran, Iran.
- 2004- 6: Urban designer & project manager- Gozineh Consulting engineers, Tehran, Iran.
- 2000- 5: Researcher & intern urban designer- Jahanshah Pakzad Urban Design Office, Tehran, Iran.
- 1998- 9: Expert of Architecture & Urbanism Department of Housing and Urban Planning Organization, Gorgan, Iran.

## Organization

- 2011 & 2012: The member of organizing team of WANACU office, organizing two “Short Training Courses”<sup>11</sup> for urban practitioners from Iran in TU Berlin.
- 2005-8: Country Coordinator<sup>12</sup> of “URDN-TU Berlin” for Iran.
- 2006: Co-organizer of “ International Seminar & Workshop on “ Issues Assessment of two Urban Neighborhoods in Mashhad” – Supported by DAAD, TU Berlin, Mashhad University, Shahid Beheshti University & Municipality of Mashhad.
- 2006: Co-organizer of the “First National URDN Coordinators Meeting” in Tehran.
- 2004-6: Member of Academic Board for Establishing “Urban Planning department” in Guilan University, Rasht, Iran- in Frame of Academic Protocol between TU-Berlin & Guilan University.

## Train

- 2014: Technische Universität, Berlin, Germany- Department V research, TU DOC Office<sup>13</sup> - “**Self-Marketing Seminar for young scientist**”, February 17-18.
- 2014: Technische Universität, Berlin, Germany- Department V research, TU DOC Office<sup>14</sup> - “**Good Scientific Practice workshop**”, January 30-31.
- 2013: Technische Universität, Berlin, Germany- Department V research, TU DOC Office<sup>15</sup> - “**Time, Self and Workload Management**”, December 2-3.
- 2007: Technische Universität, Berlin, Germany- Institute of Urban Planning- **Two months Short Course Study** focused on “The Role of Public Realms in Cities by Historical & Social Point of View”, 25 January – 10 April Sponsored by DAAD.
- 2006: Technische Universität, Berlin, Germany -**International Summer School**- Certification of participation- focused on “Governance and Urban & Regional Planning and Management”.
- 2006: Brandenburgische Technische Universität, Cottbus, Germany- **International Summer School** in Syria/ Damascus & Aleppo - Certification of participation- focused on “Urban Development of Historic Districts in Islamic/ Arab Town”, March 21-27.

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<sup>11</sup> June 20th - 26th 2012: "Urban Regeneration in Germany - Principles and Projects"  
[http://www.wanacu.tu-berlin.de/news\\_content/workshop\\_urban\\_regeneration\\_in\\_germany\\_-\\_principles\\_and\\_projects\\_20th-26th\\_june\\_2012/](http://www.wanacu.tu-berlin.de/news_content/workshop_urban_regeneration_in_germany_-_principles_and_projects_20th-26th_june_2012/) & October 17th - 27th 2011: "Potsdamer Platz: Construction and Management" [http://www.wanacu.tu-](http://www.wanacu.tu-berlin.de/news_content/wanacu_carried_out_training_course_for_iranian_delegation/)

[berlin.de/news\\_content/wanacu\\_carried\\_out\\_training\\_course\\_for\\_iranian\\_delegation/](http://www.wanacu.tu-berlin.de/news_content/wanacu_carried_out_training_course_for_iranian_delegation/)  
<sup>12</sup> <http://urdn.tu-berlin.de/general/local-participation/iran.php>

<sup>13</sup> <http://www.tu-doc.de>

<sup>14</sup> <http://www.tu-doc.de>

<sup>15</sup> <http://www.tu-doc.de>

- 2005: Technische Universität, Berlin, Germany- **International Summer School**- Certification of participation- focused on “Sustainability of Emerging Settlement Patterns”.
- 2004: Technische Universität, Berlin, Germany- **International Summer School**- Certification of participation- focused on “Globalization and Urban Economy”.
- 2003: Technische Universität, Berlin, Germany- **International Summer School**- Certification of participation- focused on “Capital City planning & Development under the Influence of Transformation Process, Globalization and New Technologies”.

### **Languages**

Persian (Mother Tongue), English (Fluent), German (Mediate)

### **Membership / Affiliations**

- Member of Iranian Construction Engineers Organization.
- Member of Iranian Standing Committee of “Women in Design, Architecture and Urban Studies”.
- Member of International Network of “Urban Rural Development Network” and Iran Coordinator, 2005-2007.
- Member of “MENASHDA”<sup>16</sup> International Network.
- Member of International Network of “INTBAU”.

### **Hobbies / Interest**

- Cycling
- Cooking
- Book and movie
- Observing and exploring the city as a flâneur
- Socializing with friends

**Date:** February 26, 2015

**Place:** Berlin

**Signature**

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<sup>16</sup> Middle East North Africa Sustainable Habitat Development Association <http://menashda.tu-berlin.de/>