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Educational background:

Master Degree in Architecture, University of Palermo

PhD in Territorial Planning, I.U.A.V., Venice-Milan

## **My commitment**

During thirty years I have experienced the worlds of architecture, town design, city and regional planning, landscape planning and, more recently, peri-urban agriculture planning. Over time, my work developed until to focus on the concept of (and the commitment for) ‘a preservative innovation’. This concept advocates a coherent integration of the technical tools for the preservation of past and present city values (based on the evolving toolbox of architect-planner), and a set of measures for city innovation, responding to the changing needs of urban society in the frame of a sustainable modernisation strategy. Following this paradigm, I applied the method of ‘a preservative innovation’ in teaching, research, planning and design, with reference to three main fields: historic centres preservation, urban regeneration and peri-urban agriculture planning. More in detail, these following main criteria have inspired my approach as a scholar and a planner:

- a careful consideration of existing values (historic, natural, cultural);
- a constant attempt to update the disciplinary technical tools;
- a strong commitment to the social issues and public space.

## **Expertise categories**

Urban Design, Urban and territorial planning, Natural park and landscape planning, Historic cities and sites preservation, Urban and peri-urban agriculture planning, Urban projects, Sustainable development, Planning and design in developing countries.

These fields have been approached both in teaching and research activities as well as in professional practice.

## **Education**

His first job was at the École Polytechnique d'Architecture et d'Urbanisme of Algiers, enrolled as Assistant professor (1975-1978).

He taught official courses at B. Sc. Level, M. Sc. Level, PhD level.

He served as invited lecturer, scholar fellow, and visiting professor in many foreign High education Institutes (16 countries), giving seminars, short programs, training Workshops. He also participated as External Examiner of M.Sc. and PhD thesis in many Universities, in Italy and abroad.

He was team leader of international workshops focused on urban regeneration in several universities (Genoa, Granada, Bucarest, Istanbul).

He coordinated the establishment of the "Double Title" between the undergraduate programs of the Faculty of Architecture of Genoa and the Escuela Tecnica de Arquitectura of Granada.

From 2010 on he coordinated three EU programs (*Urban Project Workshop and Responsible Design*, <http://areeweb.polito.it/didattica/UPWARD/final2012.htm>; *Urban agriculture, a new challenge for Urban Project*, <http://areeweb.polito.it/didattica/UPWARD/>; and *Citygreening*, <http://areeweb.polito.it/erasmus-ip-citygreening/>) within the EU-Socrates Intensive Program LLP.

He organized two workshops, in Mashhad and Isfahan, on the topic “Harmonizing urban planning and urban agriculture”, with Shakhes Pajouh Research Institute, 2016-2017.

He tutored a number of B. Sc., M. Sc. and PhD thesis. Among these latter, as supervisor in the PhD course in ‘Urban and regional planning’:

- Interwar Bucharest: urban planning and society – The Urban General Plan in 1935 (Udrea Radu A., 2011);

- The main Issues of Chinese and Italian Historic Centers' Conservation Based on A Comparative Perspective (Jia Y., 2012)
- To live in the country side. Farming activity and urban practices in rural territory of the Piedmont Region. (Testa C., 2013);
- Reorienting Urban Planning for Integrating Historic Center of Aleppo (Syria) at the Metropolitan scale (B. Swaid, 2014);
- Profiles of Intermunicipality: development policies and practices of agriculture in periurban territories (Lazzarini L., 2015);
- The Role of Revitalization of the Historic Cities in Climate-friendly Urban Environment: the cases of Edirne and Sinop (Demiroz M., 2015);
- Issues of urban heritage preservation in recent Chinese experience, misunderstandings and controversial side effects (Mu Q. 2016);

## Research

Since 1990, he has been scientific responsible of a number of research programmes funded by national, regional and local institutions (Murst-Miur, Cnr, Unige, Polito) and private entities (CRT-San Paolo, Società Nereo), whose results has been presented on national and international symposia and seminars.

2005-2008 - Coordinator or the research section "Plans and projects for emerging countries", Research Laboratory of the Department Polis, Genoa University.

2008-2009 - Member of the PhD board 'Architettura e design' Faculty of architecture, Genoa University.

From 2010 on - Member of the PhD board 'Urban and regional development', Politecnico di Torino.

2011-2012 - Member of the Inter-Athenaeum Department Board (Diter).

2015 - Co-chair of the 7<sup>th</sup> Aesop Conference on Sustainable Food Planning, Turin, 2015

<http://www.aesoptorino2015.it/>

Recent researches (as Scientific responsible):

- 2007-2009. Effectiveness and limits of guidelines for landscape design (Operatività e limiti degli strumenti di indirizzo per il progetto di paesaggio). Funded by Italian Ministry of University and Research.
- 2007/2009. Urban rehabilitation and real estate market in Romania. Present state and trends. Co-funded by University of Genova and Società Nereo.
- 2010-2011. Wind energy in Morocco, relevant aspects from a planning perspective. Funded by Alfieri-CRT, Turin.
- 2010-2011. Agriculture and landscape, synergy and conflicts in the frame of Landscape EU Convention (Agricoltura e paesaggio, sinergie e conflitti nel quadro della CEP). Funded by Alfieri-CRT, Turin.
- 2010-2012. Guidelines for industrial landscapes in Sardinia (*Linee Guida per i paesaggi industriali in Sardegna*), (with C. Casatella e R. Gambino). Funded by Regione Sardegna.
- 2014. Soil Administration Models 4 Community Profit. (Resp. C.A. Barbieri). EU Life program.
- 2016. Policies and practices of urban agriculture in Turin, with Coldiretti Union of farmers.
- 2017. Historic cities' conservation and innovative development, funded by Wuhan planning & research and exhibition center, Wuhan (China).

## **Publishing activity**

2000. Co- Founder and co-director of the review “Piano Doc – Documents of town planning”.  
From 2005, Member of the scientific committee of “*Urbanistica PVS*”, Università La Sapienza, Rome.

He authored a number of research reports and scholarly articles (about 130, published in Italian, English, French, Spanish, Romanian, Arabic), issued in books, refereed journals and conference proceedings.

In his activity a special attention was given to processes of urban innovation in cities of emergent countries, resulting in specific *urban dossiers* on Palermo, Algiers, Santa Fe, Istanbul, Baghdad.

Updated list: <http://porto.polito.it/view/creators/Cina=27=3AGiuseppe=3A003920=3A.html>

## **Planning activity**

As Team Leader of a private company (<http://www.calstudio.it/>), he designed a number of projects and town planning schemes, both general and sector-based, in Italy and abroad. As such he is the author of Master plans, Operational schemes and Urban projects ranging from historical centres conservation (*Preservation plan of Albergheria district*, Palermo, 1994) to natural areas preservation (*Portofino Natural Park, General Plan*, 2005); and from town planning (*Structural Plan of Quarrata Municipality*, 2001) to urban project (*Rehabilitation of the Adhamyia area*, Baghdad, 2011). As an expert committed in the 'third mission' activities of Dist/Department, he is responsible for the planning project: “Conservation and innovative development of historic Eryao area in Wuhan”, 2017.

## **Memberships in professional organizations**

From 1982 – INU, National Institute of urban planning; From 1990 – Italia Nostra; From 1999 – ANCSA, National Association for the Preservation of Historical Centres; From 2000 – SIU, Italian society of urban planners; From 2012 – Italian society of territorialists (co-funder member); From 2014 – Aesop, member of the Sustainable Food Planning group

## **Teaching activity in china**

2013 - Visiting professor at Wuhan University (School of planning); Lecturer at China University of Geoscience, Wuhan; Lecturer at the Planning bureau of both the Municipalities of Qingdao and Wuhan.

2014 - Visiting professor at Wuhan University (School of Architecture and Design); Lecturer at Huazhong University of Science and Technology; Lecturer at Jiaotong University of Xi'an.

2015 – Key note speaker at Huazhong University of Science and Technology; Lecturer at the School of Architecture of Tsingua University of Beijing; teacher in a Workshop of urban planning for ‘A new west development in Cheng-du’, Polytechnic of Turin - Tsingua University.

2017 – Lecturer at Wuhan planning & research and exhibition center, Wuhan.