

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ARCHITECTURAL QUALITY

DEFINING ARCHITECTURAL QUALITY

Online Conference on 8–9 and 15–16 October 2022

Call for Contributions

What defines architectural quality? Is it based on physical facts? Do the architect's intentions and ideas provide the keys to the building's evaluation? Is it a matter of cultural context? Does it lie in the eye of the beholder? Or is it a combination of all of these?

How do architects, critics or historians define architectural quality? Are there any general methods and theories of architectural quality? Do we need these at all?

Following the International Conference on Architectural Criticism of October 2021, this conference seeks papers that offer definitions of architectural quality.

Abstracts

Abstracts (max. 500 words) should outline a definition of architectural quality, and name two case studies of realized buildings that exemplify the method's application. Abstracts should be submitted to icaq.abstract@gmail.com

Conference

Selection to the conference is based on the acceptance of the abstract. Authors will be invited to speak in one of four sessions together with four selected keynote lecturers during the online conference on 8–9 and 15–16 October 2022, hosted by the Escuela Técnica Superior de Arquitectura – Universidad de Navarra.

Keynote Lecturers

Silvia Arango, Bogotá, Colombia
William J. Curtis, Cajarc, France
Mpho Matsipa, Johannesburg, South Africa
Rahul Mehrotra, Mumbai, India

Organization

Wilfried Wang and José Manuel Pozo Muncio

Funding

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Conference Format

The online format of the four-session conference allows for active debate between the audience and lecturers. Presentations will be concentrated to allow for ample discussion time. Besides the four keynote lectures, there will be a maximum of 12 short papers. The entire conference will be recorded and placed on Youtube. The conference language will be English. Registration for free attendance will open on 2 September via icaq.register@gmail.com

Dates

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| Call for Abstracts | 25 April |
| Deadline for Abstracts | 1 July |
| Late Submission Deadline | 15 July |
| Notification of Acceptance | 29 July |
| Conference | 8–9, 15–16 October |
| Publication of Papers | Spring 2023 |

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