Expression of Interest for 12th Terra Conference

TERRA2015

15-18 June 2015,
Konya, Turkey
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1. Location and feasibility of venue
2. Relevance of location to earthen architectural, archaeological and cultural landscape heritage
3. Tentative schedule
4. Proposed partners, collaborators and sponsoring organizations
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7. Suggestions for the main theme of the conference and the relevance of its scientific and social aim as a tool for the development of communities, as well as on a territorial basis
Statement of Purpose

In Anatolia, the traces of earthen heritage date back to 8 000 BC. and the earthen architecture is still in use; some of them in good shape and contribute to the visual vitality of historic Turkish towns.
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Earth was a traditional building material widely used throughout the history in Turkey, till 1960s. Unfortunately the vernacular earthen architecture faces extinction due to the interest in industrialized construction material and techniques.

Architecture Foundation of Turkey (MIV) would like to host and organize Terra 2015 Conference in Turkey

- To raise public awareness on
  - the value of the earthen heritage
  - the healthy living with earthen architecture

- To provide an international and multi-disciplinary meeting for researchers and practitioners to present and discuss the past and future of earthen heritage

- To gain information from the applied traditional and archeological earthen architecture of the venue
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Location of the conference: Konya - TURKEY
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Location

It is possible to reach Konya
- from Istanbul by plane, by train and by bus
- from Ankara by train and by bus.

Turkish Airlines, Anadolu Jet and Pegasus Airlines offer flights from Istanbul to Konya Airport, located about 18 km out of city.

In the summer period it's also possible to fly from various European countries, such as Netherlands, Germany, Norway and Denmark.

And there are two nightly sleeper trains a day from Istanbul.
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Connecting flight from Istanbul to Konya
Conference venue : KONYA

Location for the Conference is planned to be in Konya, one of oldest cities of Turkey, at the heart of the Anatolian plateau.

Konya was inhabited from prehistoric era and houses many vernacular and monumental earthen heritage of Hittites, Phrygians, Greeks, Lydians, Romans, Seljukians and Ottomans.
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Conference venue: KONYA
Mevlana Museum
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Conference venue: KONYA, Hilton Hotel (accommodation 1)
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Conference venue: KONYA, Rixos Hotel (accommodation 2)

Hilton Hotel and Rixos Hotel in Konya both has conference facilities for 500 people.
# Tentative Schedule

Proposed Conference date: 15-18 June 2015

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Proposed Main Theme

Earthen Architecture: Lessons from Past to Future

Proposed topics:
All studies on movable and immovable cultural assets and tangible and intangible earthen heritage as:

- Historical, Architectural and Archaeological researches
- Studies on Information and documentation systems
- Traditional construction techniques
- Evaluation of experimental methods and tests
- Structural behavior - static, dynamic and numerical analysis methods
- Researches on principles and methods of conservation
- Protection against environmental effects and disasters, evaluation of risk
- Preservative Conservation in museum
- Intervention, restoration and prevention techniques
- Heritage site planning and management
- Case Studies
Proposed Partners:

- Turkish Chamber of Architects,
- Turkish Chamber of Civil Engineers

mentioned their interest in being partner of MIV in Terra2015 Conference organization.

- We expect Getty GCI to support the Conference

Preliminary costs:
Estimated registration fee is 400 Euros that will include Conference proceedings, participation in all technical sessions, lunches, coffee breaks, reception, one day technical tour and Conference dinner.

Source of Funding
Foundation for Architecture, Turkey (MIV) is capable of funding the necessary expenses
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Workshop: 1
self help housing in Viranşehir-Urfa, and in Diyarbakır- South east of TR
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Workshop: 2
Cyprus 2012.04.08:
Shotcrete construction technique for rapid housing
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Technical tour: 2 sites

Neolithic Site of Çatalhöyük (10 thousand years of history)
It is located 60 km south of Konya, and easily be reached
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Technical tour: 2 sites
Monuments in use
ÇAVUS & HÖYÜK village:
Earthen architectural Heritage
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Technical tour: heritage in use
Çavuş village near Konya:
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Technical tour:
Çavuş Köyü, On the way to Antalya
The artist of TR, born in the village
(of film, poet, ceramic..)
New Established
“Unlimited thanks” village - 2011

http://www.sonsuzsukrankoyu.com.tr/
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Post Conference Tours

**Ankara-Kapadokya Tour (3 days, 2 nights)**
*Route*: Ankara-Nevşehir-Aksaray-Konya

1st day: by bus to Ankara, visit Museum of Anatolian Civilizations, ankara Citadel, go to Nevşehir, overnight in Nevşehir

2nd day: visit to Göreme fairy chimneys, Devrent valley, Yusuf Koç Church and monastery, St. John Church, Çavuşin Church, Göreme National Park, overnight in Ürgüp,

3rd day: visit underground city, Ihlara valley and return to Konya via Aksaray

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**Pamukkale Tour (2 Days, 1 night)**
*Route*: Konya -Denizli-Konya

1st day: by bus to Denizli, visit Hierapolis Ancient City, white travertine in Pamukkale, overnight in Denizli

2nd day: visit Aphrodisias Ancient City, return to Konya

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**Gaziantep – Ş.Urfa - Mardin Tour (4 days, 3 nights)**
*Route*: Konya-Gaziantep-Urfa-Mardin-Istanbul

1st day: by bus to Ankara visit the Museum of Anatolian Civilizations, Ankara Citadel, flight from Ankara to Gaziantep, overnight in Gaziantep

2nd day: visit Gaziantep Archeology Museum, Yesemek Open Air Museum, Hasan Süzer House, overnight in Gaziantep

3rd day: travel to S.Urfa via Birecik, visit S.Urfa city, citadel and Harran, overnight in S.Urfa

4th day: travel to mardin, Visit dar ül Zeferan Monastery, Mardin town, flight from Mardin to Istanbul
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Post Conference tour: Ankara-Kapadokya Tour (3 days, 2 nights)
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Post Conference tour: Pamukkale Tour (2 Days, 1 night)
Hierapolis and Aphrodisias Ancient Cities
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Post Conference tour: Gaziantep – Ş.Urfa - Mardin Tour (4 days, 3 nights)
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Deyrul Zeferan Monastery - Mardin