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Educational background

- Doctor of Philosophy in Architecture (PhD / 2014)
The University of Manchester, United Kingdom
- Master of Science in Restoration of Historic Buildings (MSc / 2001)
Middle East Technical University, Turkey
- Bachelor of Architecture (BArch / 1994)
Middle East Technical University, Turkey

Academic experience

- Assistant Professor
Department of Architectural Engineering-University of Sharjah, UAE (Sept.2018-)
- Visiting Assistant Professor
Department of Architectural Engineering-University of Sharjah, UAE (Sept. 2016- Aug. 2018)
- Assistant Professor
Department of Architecture- Near East University, Cyprus (2015-2016)
- Assistant Professor
Department of Architecture -Cyprus International University, Cyprus (2014-2015)
- Lecturer
Department of Interior Design-American University in Dubai, UAE (2005-2010)
- Lecturer
Department of Architecture-Girne American University, Cyprus (1998-2002)

Research interests

History and theory of architecture; Islamic architecture in the colonial era; Colonial-era religious architecture in the non-Western world; Waqf's role in the formation and protection of built environments in Islamic cities; Evolution of architectural conservation philosophies and practices; Conservation and management of heritage sites and buildings in colonial and post-colonial world.

Memberships to international professional organizations

- Member of the Society of Architectural Historians (USA)
- Member of Europa Nostra (European Union)
- Member of Historians of Islamic Arts Association (USA)

Publications (2015-2020)

Journal Papers

- **Sabri, R.**, and Olagoke, O.A. (2020, in press), "Safeguarding the Colonial Era's Ecclesiastical Heritage: Towards a Sustainable Protection-Use Model," *Journal of Cultural Heritage Management and Sustainable Development*, Vol. ahead-of-print No. ahead-of print. DOI: 10.1108/JCHMSD-01-2020-0017 (ISI Web of Science / Scopus)
- **Sabri, R.**, Altan, H., AlGhareeb, D., and Alkhaja, N. (2020) "Heritage Reconstruction Planning, Sustainability Dimensions, and the Case of the Khaz'al Diwan in Kuwait," *Sustainability*, Vol.12, 8805; doi:10.3390/su12218805 (ISI Web of Science / Scopus)
- **Sabri, R.**, and Olagoke, O.A. (2020) "A Vanishing Legacy? Threats and Challenges in the Conservation of the Colonial Era's Anglican Ecclesiastical Heritage in Yorubaland," *Journal of Architectural Conservation*, Vol.26, No:2, pp.166-183, DOI: 10.1080/13556207.2020.1761684 (ISI Web of Science / Scopus)
- **Sabri, R.**, and Olagoke, O.A. (2019) "Rethinking the Conservation of Afro-Brazilian Mosque Legacy," *Journal of Architectural Conservation*, Vol.25, No:1-2, pp. 49-71, DOI:10.1080/13556207.2019.1595321 (ISI Web of Science / Scopus)
- **Sabri, R.**, and Olagoke, O.A. (2019) "Predicaments in the Management of Religious Heritage Buildings and Sites in Nigeria," *Conservation and Management of Archaeological Sites*, Vol.21, No.1, pp.45-65, DOI:10.1080/13505033.2019.1596521 (ISI Web of Science / Scopus)
- **Sabri, R.** (2019) "Greek Nationalism, Architectural Narratives, and A Gymnasium That Wasn't," *International Journal of Heritage Studies*, Vol.25, No:2, pp. 178-197, DOI:10.1080/13527258.2018.1431302 (ISI Web of Science / Scopus)
- **Sabri, R.** (2017) "From an Inconsequential Legacy to National Heritage: Revisiting the Conservation Approaches towards the Ottoman Built Legacy in British Colonial Cyprus," *Conservation and Management of Archaeological Sites*, Vol.19, No.1, pp.55-81, DOI :10.1080/13505033.2016.1290476 (ISI Web of Science / Scopus)
- **Sabri, R.** (2016) "The Genesis of Hybrid Architectural Preservation Practices in British Colonial Cyprus," *Architectural Research Quarterly*, Vol.20, No.3, pp.243-255, DOI:10.1017/S1359135516000269 (ISI Web of Science / Scopus)
- **Sabri, R.** (2015) "Transitions in the Ottoman Waqf's Traditional Building Upkeep and Maintenance System in Cyprus during the British Colonial Era (1878–1960) and the Emergence of Selective Architectural Conservation Practices," *International Journal of Heritage Studies*, Vol. 21, No. 5, pp.512–527, DOI: 10.1080/13527258.2014.968604 (ISI Web of Science / Scopus)

Book (monograph)

- **Sabri, R.** (2019) *The Imperial Politics of Architectural Conservation: The Case of Waqf in Cyprus*. Publisher: Palgrave Macmillan / Springer Nature (Heritage Studies in the Muslim World series) Hardcover ISBN 978-3-030-18231-1; eBook ISBN 978-3-030-18232-8; DOI: 10.1007/978-3-030-18232-8

Conference Proceeding

- **Sabri, R. & Altan, H.** (2018) "Investigating the Preservation of Vernacular Earthen Buildings of Louroujina (Akincilar) in North Cyprus". In: C.Mileto, F.V.López-Manzanares, L. García-Soriano, V. Cristini (Eds) *Vernacular and Earthen Architecture: Conservation and Sustainability*, pp.329-334. CRC Press (ISBN 9781138035461 - CAT# K31721) (Scopus indexed)

Research projects

- SEED grant principal investigator: University of Sharjah (2019- 2021) "Investigating the Potentials for Digital Applications in Heritage Management, Sharjah (UAE)"
- Cultural Heritage Advisor (2010)
United Nations Development Programme-Partnership for the Future in Cyprus (UNDP-PFF): "Cultural Heritage Inventory Project for North Cyprus"
- Vernacular Built Heritage Research and Documentation (team member, 2001-2003)
United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) in North Cyprus, "House, Form and Culture within the Context of Cypriot Traditional Settlements" project
- Archaeological Documentation, Conservation and Presentation (team member, 1993-1998)
"Arykanda Archaeological Excavation Project (Antalya-Turkey)"

University & community service (selected)

- Executive Board Member of Sharjah International Foundation for the History of Arab and Muslim Sciences (SIFHAMS) (Sept.2018-present)
- Lecturer of 'Distinguished Aspects of Islamic Architecture and Engineering' in SIFHAMS International Graduate Winter School on Scientific Tradition in Islamic Civilisation (12-24 January, 2020, University of Sharjah)
- Organizing committee member for the 3rd SIFHAMS International Scientific Forum 'Tradition of Art and Architecture in Islamic Civilisation', University of Sharjah, April-October 2019.
- Speaker at the 3rd SIFHAMS International Scientific Forum 'Tradition of Art and Architecture in Islamic Civilisation'. Topic: 'Ottoman Waqf in Architectural Conservation', 13 October 2019

- Member of the Steering Committee for the Master of Science in Conservation Management of Cultural Heritage, Architectural Engineering Department, University of Sharjah (2019-2020)
- Member of the committee for the preparation of Master of Science in Architecture program, University of Sharjah (2019-2020)
- Organizer of Workshop 'Architectural Conservation: Principles and Practice', University of Sharjah, Architectural Engineering Department, 14 April 2019
- Founding member of Europa Nostra Chapter in Cyprus (2015-)

Master thesis supervision

- **Main supervisor** (thesis completed in 2018), "The Use of Barajeel and Mashrabiya in Contemporary Architecture in Dubai"; Near East University-Cyprus.
- **Main supervisor** (thesis completed in 2016), "Developing Sustainable Strategies for the Rehabilitation of Makoko Slum in Lagos (Nigeria)"; Near East University-Cyprus.
- **Main supervisor** (thesis completed in 2015), "Value Assessment of British Colonial Era Architectural Heritage in Nigeria: Case Study of Church Buildings in Oshogbo"; Cyprus International University.
- **Main supervisor** (theses completed in 2015), "Evaluation of Interventions Aiming for the Conservation of Mevlevi Tekke in Nicosia (Cyprus)"; Cyprus International University.

Teaching & learning activities (selected)

Courses taught at the University of Sharjah (Sept.2016-present)

- History of Architecture –I
- History of Architecture –II
- Architectural Design –I
- Architectural Drawing –II
- Senior Project Design I & II (supervision)

Courses previously taught in other universities (selected)

- History of Islamic Architecture (post-graduate course)
- Theory of Conservation (post-graduate course)
- Conservation & Restoration Techniques (post-graduate course)
- Graduation Project (non-thesis master program)
- History of Architecture I-II-III
- Architectural Drawing I-II
- Basic Design I-II
- Architectural Design I-II, and VI (Graduation Project)