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## PROFILE

Dr Kamel-Ahmed is a lecturer and researcher in Architecture, with over fifteen years of experience in both academia and practice in North Africa, The Middle East and Europe, through which he developed a deep passion for cultural heritage and its role as a pillar for urban sustainable development of cities and communities.

Just after finishing his PhD, at The University of Nottingham, UK, in 2011, Ehab moved to China to establish the University of Nottingham's Architecture programme at the University's international campus in Ningbo, China, where he spent three years before he joined UCLan in June 2014.

Ehab is a registered architectural Engineer (in Egypt). Since 1998, he has worked on many urban and architectural design projects in the Middle East, North Africa, Asia, and Europe; leading design teams on several projects, and winning at various architectural and urban design competitions.

Ehab's research concerned with the interpretation management for the sustainable development of cultural heritage sites. His writings investigated Liverpool World Heritage Site (UK), Historic Cairo (Egypt), and The Imperial Street in Hangzhou (China), as well as criticising ICOMOS charters and UNESCO's criteria for World Heritage Sites' listing of cultural sites.

Currently, Ehab is researching the relation between heritage, memory, city cultures, and users' wellbeing, where his research investigates how design for culturally rich sites can learn from the past to create sustainable environments.

## TEACHING

Ehab's teaching spans between Theory and technology teaching, but his main focus is on teaching architectural design studio. He has lead design studios at both UCLan and The University of Nottingham, China Campus, for a sum of four years, while he has been teaching on numerous studios at six different universities since 1998.

## PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE

Dr Kamel has been practicing architectural and urban design since 1998. He worked on various scale projects, stretching over different building typologies; private residential houses and apartment buildings, residential complexes, resorts, recreational parks, commercial buildings, hospitals and health-care facilities, sports buildings, offices buildings, airports, educational buildings (schools and universities), urban squares, and city-scape designs. Taking different roles: Architect/designer, urban designer, design team-leader, and project manager. Ehab's work included Design, design management, construction and execution design and documentation, execution detailed/workshop drawings, and construction supervision

## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2011 – 2014	The University of Nottingham- China Campus (UNNC), Assistant Professor in Architecture, Ningbo, China
2011 – 2011	<i>Arab Academy for Science and Technology (AAST)</i> [RIBA Accredited], Design Studio Leader, Cairo, Egypt
2011 – 2011	<i>Ain Shams University (ASU)</i> , Master Degree Coordinator, Stuttgart/Cairo
2007 – 2010	<i>University of Nottingham (UNUK)</i> , PhD Researcher/Tutor in Architecture, Nottingham, UK
2005 – 2007	<i>Architectural Design, Research, and Studies Unit (ADRSU)</i> , Projects Manager, Cairo, Egypt
2005 – 2007	<i>Ain Shams University (ASU)</i> , Lecturer in Architectural Engineering, Cairo, Egypt
2003 – 2005	<i>MIMAR Consultants in Architecture &amp; Planning</i> , Senior Architect & Design Team-Leader, Cairo, Egypt
2000 – 2007	<i>Arab Academy for Science and Technology (AAST)</i> , Teaching Fellow in Architectural Engineering, Cairo, Egypt
1999 – 2000	<i>The Consultancy Bureau of Military Technical College</i> , Architectural Engineer, Cairo, Egypt
1998 – 1999	<i>Dali Architectural Consultants</i> , Architectural Engineer, Cairo, Egypt
1998 – 2005	<i>Ain Shams University (ASU)</i> , Teaching Fellow in Architectural Engineering, Cairo, Egypt



## Job Titles

Lecturer in Architecture & Research Degree Tutor

## Qualifications

**2011 PhD Architecture**  
(Management of Interpretation for Cultural World Heritage Sites), University of Nottingham, UK

**2005 MSc Architecture**  
Ain Shams University, Egypt

**1998 BSc Architectural**  
Ain Shams University, Egypt

## Professional Memberships

Egyptian Syndicate of Engineers (ESE)

RIBA- Affiliate Membership

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## RESEARCH GRANTS

**Research on the Urban Heat Island Effects on Future Urban Planning and Changes to Energy Consumption in Buildings in Ningbo**, Co-I (NBCC Grant 2012; 100,000RMB)

**Research on the Heat-Island Effects resulting from Urbanisation on Future Urban Planning & Building Performance in Ningbo City**.Co-I (Ningbo Natural Science Foundation Grant 2011; 30,000RMB)

**Full PhD Scholarship Grant** (Ministry of Higher Education, Egypt; £120,000)

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS & KEY OUTCOMES / PROJECTS

- **Kamel-Ahmed, Ehab** (2015). WHAT TO CONSERVE? Heritage, Memory, and Management of Meanings. *International Journal of Architectural Research: ArchNet-IJAR*, [S.I.], v. 9, n. 1, p. 67-76, mar. 2015. ISSN 1994 6961.
- **Kamel, E.**, & Ramadan, A. (2012). 'Integrated approach for year one architectural design-and-build studio'. *MAEC 2012: The Future of Architectural Education- 4-5 October*. Kuala Lumpur.
- Ramadan, A., & **Kamel, E.** (2012). 'Introducing Evidence-Based Design to Architectural Education: Bridging the Gap between Research and Practice.'. *MAEC 2012: The Future of Architectural Education- 4-5 October*. Kuala Lumpur.
- **Kamel, E.** (2011). *Decoding Cultural Landscapes: Guiding Principles for the Management of Interpretation in Cultural World Heritage Sites*. PhD Thesis. University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK.
- **Kamel, E.**, & Hale, J (2010). Conflicts of Identity, Conservation, and Meaning-Management of Cultural Heritage: Reading through ICOMOS Charters. In S. Lira & R. Amoeda (Eds.), *Constructing Intangible Heritage*. Barcelos, Portugal: Green Lines Institute for Sustainable Development, pp. 87-99. ISBN 978-989-95671-2-2
- **Kamel, E.**, Hale, J., & Hanks, L. (2009). The 'Conflict of Interpretations': Physical Conservation versus Storytelling and Meaning- An Analytical Study of WH Convention and ICOMOS Charters. In S. Lira, et al (Eds.), *Sharing Cultures 2009* (pp. 201-208). Barcelos, Portugal: Green Lines Institute for Sustainable Development. ISBN 978-989-95671-1-5
- **Kamel, E.**, & Hanks, L. (2009). 'Towards Self-Interpreting World Heritage Sites: a Proposal of Design Guiding-Principles for the Landscapes of Interpretive Sites.' *12th International Seminar of Forum UNESCO- University and Heritage*. Hanoi.
- **Kamel, E.** (2005). *Practical Values Affecting Architecture Formation*. MSc thesis, Ain Shams University, Cairo.
- Architectural Design & Management (2006). **Development of 16 villages, Delta Region, Egypt**
- Architectural Design (2006). **Media National Colledge, Medina, KSA**
- Architectural Design (2006). **Alkhoshain Hospital, Riyadh, KSA**
- Architectural Design (2006). **Iman Hospital, Demmam, KSA**
- Architectural & Urban Design (2005). **Amood Housing Competition (First Prize), Alrayth, KSA**
- Architectural & Urban Design (2005). **Shaban Housing Competition (First Prize), Tabook, KSA**
- Architectural & Urban Design (2005). **Hissa Housing Competition (Honorary Prize), Tabook, KSA**
- Architectural Design (2004). **King Khaled University Competition (Honorary Prize), Abha, KSA**
- Urban Design (2004). **Jeddah Entertainment Resort, Jeddah, KSA**
- Architectural & Urban Design (2003). **Marsa Alam Resort, Marsa Alam, Egypt**
- Architectural Design (2002). **Misr Bank Headquarters Competition (Honorary Prize), Cairo, Egypt**
- Client's Architect- Execution Design (2000-01). **Vodafone Egypt Headquarters, Cairo, Egypt**
- Architectural Design (1998). **Suez National Museum, Suez, Egypt**

## PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS & SEMINARS

- 21<sup>st</sup> Oct. 13 **Shifting Paradigms: a Holistic Heritage Management Strategy for Cultural Landscapes**  
(Paper presented at the *Second International Workshop: Critical Planning for Chinese Cities (CPCC) 2013*  
**Department of Urban Planning and Design, Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University, Suzhou, China**
- 4<sup>th</sup> Oct. 12 **Integrated approach for year one architectural design-and-build studio** (Paper presented at the *MAEC2012*)  
**University Putra Malaysia (UPM), Malaysia**
- 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Jul. 12 **Low Carbon Life- Summer School (by International Centre for Professional Development- ICPD)**  
(The Organizer of *Low Carbon Architecture* activities)  
**University of Nottingham Ningbo China, Ningbo, China**
- 29<sup>th</sup> Nov. 10 **Principles for Perceiving Cultural Heritage Significance**  
(Invited speaker at *Building with the Past* lecture series)  
**University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK**
- 9<sup>th</sup> Jun. 10 **Conflicts between Place Identity and Heritage Conservation: an introduction to Meaning Management of Cultural Heritage** (*Architectural Humanities Research Group* lecture series)  
**University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK**
- 15<sup>th</sup> Oct. 09 **Places Searching for their Stories: The Case of Historic Cairo [Best talk]**  
(Paper presented at the *1st Annual Conference of Egyptian Scholars in UK*)  
**Egyptian Cultural and Educational Bureau (ECB), London, UK**
- 25<sup>th</sup> Sep. 09 **Historic Context and Cultural Content: A Case Study of Historic Cairo**  
(Paper presented at the *Conservation: Principles, Dilemmas and Uncomfortable Truths' Symposium* 24-25 September 2009)  
**Royal Academy of Arts, London, UK**
- 17<sup>th</sup> Jul. 09 **Understanding the World Heritage List's Selection Criteria: Re-reading the World's Cultural Heritage Map**  
(Paper presented at *AESOP 2009- Why Can't the Future be more like the Past?* 15-18 July 2009)  
**University of Liverpool, Liverpool, UK**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Jul. 09 **A Proposal for an Interactive Interpretive Web Mapping System for Heritage Sites**  
(Poster presentation at the *ISAAC International Conference: Promoting Cultural Heritage Tourism through Integrated e-Services* 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2009)  
**Amsterdam, The Netherlands.**