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Arian Heidari Afshari is an Iranian Architect and Planner who is currently doing his PhD research at Politecnico Di Milano, Italy. After graduating from School of Architecture, IAUK University in Iran, he completed Masters in Architecture from Politecnico Di Milano in 2012 and continued his study in MSc. in Urban Planning and Policy Design before moving to the PhD department of Architecture, Urban and Interior Design. He is a lecturer in Theory and History courses of contemporary architecture and urban design and during last five years, he has been involved in teaching and tutoring activities mostly in the school of Architecture and Society at Politecnico Di Milano. He has taught a variety of subjects from Architectural Theory and Practice in Architecture and Planning studios in both Italian and international graduate and undergraduate levels.

Arian has also participated in numerous research projects include *post traumatic study of Bam earthquake* and *conservation proposal for Kerman historical Bazar complex* in Iran, *Recycle Italy, Ri-formare Milano* and *Roma 20-25* in Italy as well as national and international Architecture and urban design competitions. He has several international publications to his credit such as book chapters, journal articles and conference papers. His academic research is focused on critically reflecting on the ambiguous notion of in-between spaces in peri-urban realm of contemporary territory and their generic and specific cross-cultural architecture and urban patterns. In the last two years, he has also practiced small scale architectural design which is under construction in Iran.