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P r o f i l e

Architect _ urban and social design strategist _ Specialized in Urban Development

Founder of **urbanita** www.urban-ita.com an interdisciplinary studio focused on urban regeneration and social innovation.

After national and international experiences in **Rome, Barcelona, Dublin and New York** in architecture and interior design, I started to work on urban development in cities as **Seoul, Bronx (NY), Beirut, Phnom Penh and London** promoting participatory/ collaborative processes into urban design.

At the moment **urbanita** has jobs and partnerships in [Palermo](#), [Rome](#), [London](#) and [Milan](#).

E d u c a t i o n

2014 - 2015 **MSc Building and Urban Design in Development**

UCL _ The Bartlett _ Development Planning Unit, **London, United Kingdom**

Thesis: *'Unfold the unknown: exploring mapping as social enriching project for [in]formal urbanism: the case of Rome'*

2010 - 2012 **MArch _ Architecture and Urban Design _ cum laude**

"Sapienza" University of Rome _ School of Architecture, **Rome, Italy**

Thesis: *urban - ity _ An urban strategy for Rome*

Fall - Spring 2008-2009 **Erasmus Program** [grant 2008-09]

UPC _ Universitat Politecnica Catalunya _ ETSAV **Barcelona, Spain**

2006 - 2009 **B. Architecture Interior and Exhibition Design**

"Sapienza" University of Rome _ School of Architecture, **Rome, Italy**

Continuing Education | Certificates

Spring 2016 **Design Kit: The Course for Human-Centered Design**

IDEO.org , Acumen _ MOOC _ novoed

Winter 2015 to Summer 2016 **Strategic Management and Innovation Specialization**

Copenhagen Business School _ MOOC _ Coursera

from 25 March to 5 May 2015 **Maps and the Geospatial Revolution**

The Pennsylvania State University _ MOOC _ Coursera

Spring Term 2014 **The Well-Tempered House _ Green Building Design Certification**

The Cooper Union _ Continuing Education _ New York

R e s e a r c h A c t i v i t i e s

26-27-28 Feb, 2016 **Global Service Jam Roma _ Rome, Italy** [Award 'Most feasible service']

Global Service Jam 2016

9-10 Nov, 2015 **Collaborative local governance for the sharing economy _ Milan, Italy**

Sharitaly - LabGov

from 25 Sept to 3 Oct, 2015 **City as a Service Intensive School** [scholarship "Women Entrepreneurs"] _ **Erice, Sicily**

UN-Habitat _ World Urban Campaign's Palermo Urban Thinkers Campus _ PUSH.

from 7 to 14 Sept, 2014 **International Workshop_dpuSummerLab 2014: Patchwork City _ Beirut, Lebanon**

The Bartlett _ Development Planning Unit _ University College London

<https://www.bartlett.ucl.ac.uk/dpu/programmes/summerlab/2014-series/beirut>

from 27 Jun to 3 Jul, 2014 **International Workshop_ARCOSS_ArchitectureAndContemporarySocialServices_Rome**

DiAP "Sapienza" University of Rome and Regione Lazio

from 4 to 12 Jan, 2013 **International Workshop Urban Design _ Seoul, South Korea** [Fellowship]

School of Architecture "Sapienza" University of Rome, Rome Italy

Junggu Office, Seoul | School of Architecture, Myongji University, Seoul, South Korea

- from 30 Nov to 2 Dec 2012 **Coming Soon! Explorations in Urban Renewal from the Physical to the Virtual_ NYC, US**
the project of the workshop creates a local narrative on current and future development of West Farms, Bronx by Stephanie Rothenberg
Parson, The New School_ Sheila C. Johnson Design Center's _ New York
- from June to July 2012 **Workshop Internazionale di Progettazione Architettonica _ Rome , Italy** [Fellowship]
School of Architecture "Sapienza" University of Rome, Rome Italy
School of Architecture, Myongji University, Seoul, Republic of Korea

Professional Experience

- May/June 2016 **GovJam Roma 2016 _ Roma, Italy**
Organizer/promoter as *urbanita*
- May 2015 **Anlong Kngan Settlement - ACHR, CAN, CAN-CAM, CDF, UCL _ PhnomPenh, Cambodia**
Urban Developer _ Strategies and participatory design
- Feb 2015 **UISP Project - Local Democracy Agency Zavidovici NGO _ Brescia, Italy**
Urban Developer _ Strategies and Re-design 'Unione Italiana Sport per Tutti' Headquarters visibility
- from Jan 2013 to Apr 2014 **Space4Architecture _ Manhattan, New York**
Architect _ Executive Architecture - Retail; Design_ Render, 3D, 2D _ Executive drawings
- from 2010 to 2012 **Arch. Federica Rocco's firm _ Rome, Italy**
Architect Collaborator _ Architecture and Interior design _ Render, 2D _ Executive drawings

Teaching Activities

- Mar 2016 - Jun 2016 **Assistant Professor Lab II Architecture_ Sapienza University of Rome _ Rome, Italy**
Academic Tutor _ Teaching and Tutoring undergraduate students
- 16-19 Dec 2015 **Winter School: Siciania, Cucina di talenti _ Menfi (AG), Italy**
Mentor [as PUSH., *urbanita*]
- 27-28-29 Nov 2015 **Sant'Anna Jamming: Il workshop _ Palermo, Italy**
Organizer and Mentor [partners: PUSH., AISA, *urbanita*]
- Jen 2011 - Jen 2012 **SORt office, School of Architecture_ Sapienza University of Rome _ Rome, Italy**
Fellowship _ Tutoring students
- Jen 2011 - Jen 2012 **Project "Un Ponte tra scuola e Università" _ Sapienza University of Rome _ Rome, Italy**
Fellowship _ Mentor, tutor for Freshmen, Sapienza presentation to High school

Work In Progress

- 2017 - 2020 **Escola Itinerante Ambiental _ Capacity Building Erasmus+ (proposal)**
team member of Sapienza University of Rome (Project Leader)
- April/May 2016 **Funding the Cooperative City _ by Eutropian**
as *urbanita* _ call promotion, workshop organization (Rome's workshop) and publication
- publication : spring 2016 **SURF_AS Strategie Urbane, Reti, Forme dell'Abitare Sostenibile**
contributor researcher _ Sapienza, University of Rome

Conferences

- 06-07 Nov 2015 **The city as a commons IASC-LabGov _ Bologna, Italy**
'Mapping as Infrastructure of Commons'
- 09-10-11 Oct 2015 **Urban Thinkers Campus: City as a service _ Palermo, Italy**
UN-Habitat _ World Urban Campaign's Palermo Urban Thinkers Campus _ PUSH.

Memberships

- LABSUS_Laboratorio per la sussidiarietà**
Member
- IASC _ The International Association for the Study of the Commons**
Member _ CommonsNet - IASC community platform

Other Skills

- IT** expert IT and graphic skills: Adobe CC, GIS, CAD, 3D
- Language** Italian (native), English (fluent), Spanish (fluent), Portuguese (beginner)
- Interests** half marathon runner (London '13, New York '14, Brooklyn '14); training for triathlon.