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Lectures to Postgraduate Architects & Engineers on Heritage Restoration and Conservation Domain – Damascus University - Syria, February & May of 2012.

Prof. Dr. Saleh Lamei gave lectures to Postgraduate Architects & Engineers on Heritage Restoration and Conservation Domain; the course organized by Faculty of Architecture, Damascus University, Syria.

The lecture series have been chosen to cover the full ranges of various restoration project techniques in which the lecturer is currently involved. The lectures included in the course:

- Conservation of Khan al-Efrang, Saida, Lebanon.
- Conservation of al-Qutaishiyya Mosque, Saida, Lebanon
- Restoration of Great Umayyad Mosque – Ba`lbek- Lebanon.
- Restoration of Erbil Citadel - Erbil– Iraq.
- Mathematical Analysis of the Principals of Islamic Architectural Design.
- Treatment Techniques for Earthquakes in Historic Buildings.
- Traditional Crafts and their use in Contemporary Architecture.

Saida Experts Evaluation Meeting and CIVVIH Conference.

During the month of May, Prof. Saleh Lamei presented a couple of papers at two different events. Prof. Lamei attended the Saida Experts Evaluation Meeting in Saida, Lebanon; 05-06/03/2012. The meeting was planned around a series of Thematic sessions including a blend of presentations. Prof. Lamei presented a paper titled "Conservation and Regeneration of the Old City of Saida in the context of the Management Plan". Moreover, Prof. Lamei presented a paper titled "Sidon: A Mediterranean City With a Testimony of History" at the International Committee on Historic Towns and Villages Conference CIVVIH, in Izmir, Turkey, 18-20/05/2012. The CIVVIH's main subject was focused on the Multilayered Historic Towns.



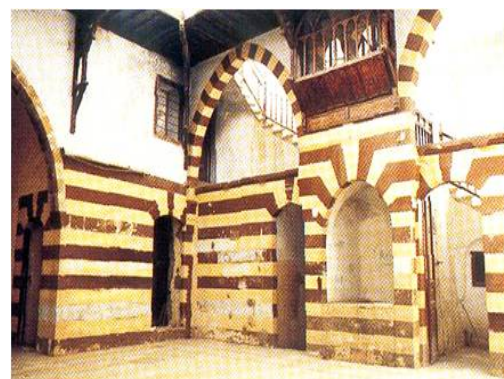
Side discussions with students and professors in Bait al-Bārūdī in Damascus, Syria.



Students' field trip with Prof. Lamei and Prof. al-Gabi in Bait al-Miṣrī, in Damascus, Syria.



Prof. Lamei while lecturing at the CIVVIH, in Izmir, Turkey.



The interior of the Palace of Debbane Sidon- Lebanon

Structural Assessment for the Stacks of Dār al- Kutub:

The CIAH crew led by Prof. Lamei and Prof. Osman completed a structural assessment project for the renowned Dār al-Kutub building in the district of Bāb al-Khalq, Cairo, Egypt. Dār al-Kutub hosts thousands of rare books and priceless manuscripts. The project main goal is to assess the stress caused by the stacks of books on the stability of the structure's foundations. Moreover, the project aims to maintain a more secure environment for the collection of the Museum of Islamic Art Dār al-Kutub through changing the configuration of the building's windows to prevent any unfortunate incident of breaking into it in this critical and unstable period of Egypt's history.



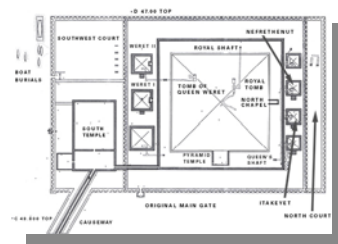
The Dahshour site conservation

CIAH presented a project proposal to the UNESCO, Cairo office, concerning the rapid risk assessment for Dahshour site conservation. UNESCO Cairo Office is implementing the Joint Program (JP) for the “Mobilization of the World Heritage Site of Dahshour for Community Development” under the leadership of United National Development Program (UNDP) and together with other UN Agencies, in particular International Labor Organization (ILO), United National World Tourism Organization (UNWTO), and United Nations Industrial development Organization (UNIDO).



The CIAH team visiting Dahshour.

The aim of the JP is to protect the area of Dahshour pyramids and its ecosystem while fostering sustainable development, cultural and ecological management and revenue generation in the surrounding community.

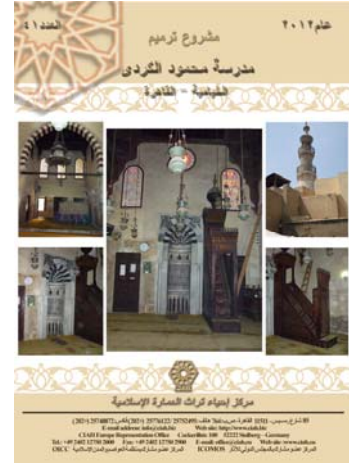
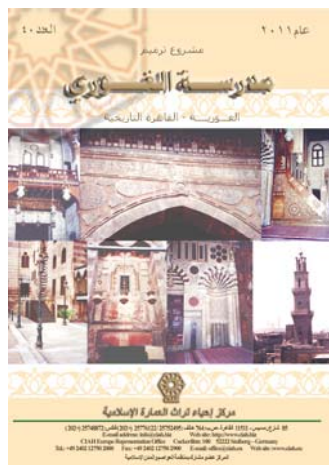
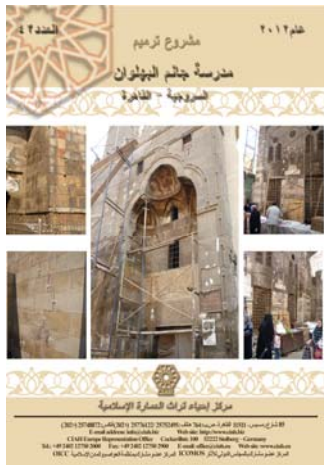


A plan for the Dahshour pyramidal complex.

CIAH New Publications Issues

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Site Supervision Works Executed by CIAH Conservation, Restoration & Rehabilitation of Historic Buildings, at-Turaif Area, Old Dir'iyya (Inscribed on World Heritage List, 2010).

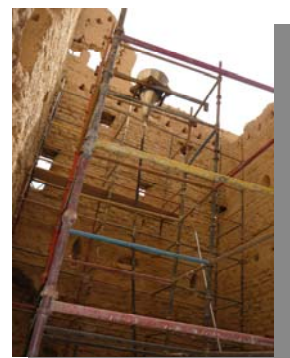
Conservation plan intend to modify the district into a major national, cultural and touristic center. Before alteration the complete site into modern open air museum, documentation and necessary diagnostic studies, as well as excavation works in archaeological sites have been done. Execution works began on September 2010 and will last for the next two years.



Omar Palace



Sa'd Palace



Salwa Palace