



## FORTIFICATIONS OF THE MEDITERRANEAN COAST

International Conference - **March 26th - 27th - 28th 2020, Escuela de Estudios Árabes, Granada (Spain)**

**FORTMED 2020\_Ganada** is the fifth edition of the International Conference on Fortifications of the Mediterranean Coast. The Conference will take place on March 26th, 27th and 28th 2020 in Granada, at the Laboratory of Archaeology and Architecture of the City (Laboratorio de Arqueología y Arquitectura de la Ciudad, LAAC) at the School of Arabic Studies (Escuela de Estudios Árabes, EEA), research centre that belongs to the Spanish National Research Council (Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas, CSIC).

The first four editions of the Conference were held: on October 15th, 16th and 17th 2015 at the University Institute of Heritage Restoration of the Universitat Politècnica de València; on November 10th, 11th and 12th 2016 at the Architecture Department of Università degli Studi di Firenze; on October 26th, 27th and 28th 2017 at the Escuela Técnica Superior de Arquitectura de la Universitat de Alacant and on October 18th, 19th and 20th 2018 at the Department of Architecture and Design of Politecnico di Torino, at the Valentino Castle.

The main **objective** of the Conference is to exchange and share knowledge, valorisation, management and exploitation of Culture and defensive Heritage that was developed on the Mediterranean coast, taking also into account the phenomena that took place overseas. The dissemination of the results is the crucial resource to achieve the objectives.

The Conference has an **interdisciplinary** aim where architects, engineers, archaeologists, historians, geographers, cartographers, heritage managers, tourism experts, specialists in restoration-conservation and promotion of heritage will participate. The idea is to provide more inclusive, real and up to date views, leading us to the highest point of the investigations on this matter in the twenty-first century.

The theme is centred on the fortifications of the Mediterranean (**Spain, France, Italy, Malta, Tunisia, Cipro, Greece, Albania, Algeria and Morocco**) from the Antiquity to the present day, although it does not exclude other Mediterranean countries and other fortifications from this era built overseas (Portugal, Cuba, Puerto Rico, Philippines, Panama...).

### Topics:

**Topic 1. Historical research.** Historical Cartography. Archivist. Treatises. Construction history. Biographies (Duke of Maqueda, Antonelli, Vespasiano Gonzaga, Acuña, Hayreddin Barbarossa Escrivá, los Fratin, Cermeño...).

**Topic 2. Theoretical concepts.** Military Engineering. Defence to "modern" way. New concepts. New ways to defend the kingdoms. Creating shields. The artillery. Utopian projects.

**Topic 3. Research on Built Heritage.** Architectural Heritage. Study, knowledge, dissemination. Castles, towers and fortifications. Intervention and Conservation of Architectural Heritage.

**Topic 4. Characterization of geomaterials.** Mineral-petrographic, geochemical and physical analysis. Study of the alteration processes. Historical and conservative archaeometric investigations. Operative proposals for restoration. Relationships between physical-technical properties of construction materials and their use: differences and similarities in the Mediterranean.

**Topic 5. Digital Heritage.** Digital survey, from 3D laser scanner to photogrammetry. Advanced 3D modeling techniques. Advances in graphical representation. Digital reconstructions. Virtual reality and augmented reality.

**Topic 6. Culture and Management.** Interpretation and adding value. Fortified heritage and citizen identity. Management of castles, towers and fortresses. Participatory management systems. Management and cultural tourism.

**Topic 7. Islamic Defensive Architecture.** Forts, fortresses, urban walls, castles, towers and watchtowers.

**Topic 8. Miscellany.** Other topics not included above, but compliant to the main topic of the Conference.

The Laboratory of Archaeology and Architecture of the City (Laboratorio de Arqueología y Arquitectura de la Ciudad, LAAC) at the School of Arabic Studies (Escuela de Estudios Árabes, EEA, CSIC), invites all academics and professionals interested in the debate on FORTIFICATIONS OF THE MEDITERRANEAN COAST to present their contributions at the FORTMED 2020 International Conference in Granada, both as **Full Paper** or as **Short Paper**.

All duly accepted papers will be published in the **Conference Proceedings** with ISBN, as volumes 10 and 11 of the series "Defensive Architecture of the Mediterranean", after paying registration fees by at least one author. The fee includes the proceedings book. Submissions received after the deadlines may not be included in the Conference Proceedings.

The **official languages** of the Conference in written and oral presentation will be English, Spanish, Italian and French. Simultaneous translation will NOT be performed at the Conference. For a better understanding, presentation texts must be written in English.

#### Awards

The Conference provides for the presentation of three awards:

- Best Full Paper.
- Best Short Paper.
- Best Student Paper.

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#### Conference Fees

##### Early Registration (until January 15th 2020)

- Full participant 190 €
- Members of Scientific Committee 130 €
- Student (under 30 years old) 130 €

##### Normal Registration (from January 16th to March 25th 2020)

- Full participant 250 €
- Members of Scientific Committee 180 €
- Students (under 30 years old) 180 €

##### Optional:

- Gala dinner 60 €

##### Registration fees include:

- Attendance to the Conference sessions (keynote, oral presentations, roundtable)
- Guided tour on Saturday 28th March 2020 (limited places)
- Books with ISBN of the Conference proceedings
- Official certificate of Conference attendance
- Official certificate of oral presentation, if any
- Official certificate of the award, if any
- Coffee breaks and lunches on 26th and 27th March 2020

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#### Important dates

- 1st January 2019 – Launch of the call for abstract
- 25th March 2019** – Deadline abstract submission
- 29th April 2019 – Abstract acceptance
- 7th October 2019** – Deadline paper submission for review
- 2nd December 2019 – Paper preliminary acceptance
- 16th December 2019 – Paper final acceptance

- 15th January 2020** – Deadline for reduced registration fee
- 1st February 2020** – Final date for payment of the registration fee in order to have the paper published in the proceedings
- 25th March 2020** – Deadline for normal registration fee

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