

CLAUDIA SINATRA

URBAN DESIGNER | RESEARCHER

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EXPERIENCE

2022 - CURRENT |

RESEARCHER & LECTURER

@ ETHZ D-BAUG | INSTITUTE FOR SPATIAL AND LANDSCAPE DEVELOPMENT (IRL) | SPATIAL PLANNING AND URBAN POLICY (SPUR) | ZURICH, CH

Teaching at the international Masters programme in Spatial Development and Infrastructure Systems. Supervision of Thesis. Collaboration on various projects related to research and education internal tasks.

2017 - 2023 |

URBAN DESIGNER & PLANNER

@ PLANWERKSTADT AG | ZURICH, CH

Project lead and development of planning tools and strategic spatial concepts from territorial to areal scales. Organising design and facilitating dialogue among project actors.

2017 |

SNSF SCOPES EXTERNAL RESEARCHER

@ ETHZ D-ARCH | CHAIR OF ARCHITECTURE AND URBAN DESIGN | ZURICH, CH

Support in preparing documentation for the SNSF SCOPES project with a specific focus on the Reactivate Sarajevo case study.

2016 - 2017 |

URBAN DEVELOPMENT RESEARCHER

@ GLOBAL CENTRE OF COMPETENCE CITIES (COC CITIES) SIEMENS | LONDON, UK

Developing strategic concepts and assessing opportunities for sustainable urban development to inform masterplans and policy making.

2014 - 2016 |

ARCHITECT & URBAN DESIGNER

@ SPACEAGENCY | LONDON, UK

Team lead and design development for international projects in the field of Strategic Design, Masterplanning, Environmental Graphics & Placemaking.

2012 - ONGOING |

DESIGNER & RESEARCHER

@ FREELANCE | IT + UK + CH

Undertaking a wide range of independent research and design projects in the field of Urbanism, Graphic Design and Photography.

EDUCATION

2013 - 2014 |

MSc. CITY DESIGN AND SOCIAL SCIENCE

@ LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE (LSE CITIES) | LONDON, UK
Multidisciplinary programme (Cities Programme) based at the Sociology Department | Distinction awarded for the MSc Dissertation '*Learning from a Southern Street. Socio-Spatial Practices in Palermo's Street Markets and a New Vocabulary of Planning*'.

2010 - 2011 |

EXCHANGE (1 YEAR)

@ TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY MUNICH (TUM) | MUNICH, DE

Exchange during architectural studies with focus on Housing, Territorial Planning and Urban Design.

2006 - 2012 |

MARCH. HONS. (BSc.+MSc.)

@ UNIVERSITY OF FERRARA (UNIFE) | FERRARA, IT

Architectural studies from Bachelor to Masters level, Major in Urban Design and Planning | Highest final grade awarded with honours | March Dissertation '*Complex(C)ity. The Network Metropolis of Global London. A Multifunctional Centrality in Ilford*'.

FELLOWSHIPS

2013 - 2014 |

SCHOLARSHIP

EUROPEAN SOCIAL FUNDS FOR EXCELLENCE AND HIGHER EDUCATION 2007-13

M4-2013 Sicilia Futuro supporting Excellence and Higher Education.

2010 - 2011 |

SCHOLARSHIP

MOBILITY FUND FOR EUROPEAN EXCHANGE

UNIFE Scholarship supporting Erasmus Programme.

QUALIFICATIONS

2012 - 2013 |

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION ARCHITECT SIA | RIBA EQUIVALENT

@ UNIVERSITY OF CATANIA (UNICT) | CATANIA, IT
Diploma in Architectural Professional Practice for chartered membership at the Italian Architects Board (Ordine Architetti Conservatori Paesaggisti e Pianificatori, OACPP Catania, n. matr. 2881).

AFFILIATIONS

LARES 

GENDER- UND ALLTAGSGERECHTES PLANEN & BAUEN

FRAU + SIA 

REGIONALGRUPPE ZURICH

ACADEMY OF URBANISM 

YOUNG URBANIST NETWORK

OACPP CATANIA until 2024 

SIA | RIBA EQUIVALENT

TALKS & LECTURES

2023 | INVITED SPEAKER

@ ZETHNO | ZURICH, CH

Speaker at the Panel Discussion 'Future of the City, City of the Future'

INVITED SPEAKER

@ ZEROCEM | ZURICH, CH

Speaker at the Roundtable 'Climate, cities and Post-colonialism'

GUEST CRITIC

@ ETHZ | ZURICH, CH

Guest Critic for the Design Studio Midterm Review 'Home' | Chair of Architecture & Design Prof. Emanuel Christ & Prof. Christoph Gantenbein.

2022 | GUEST CRITIC

@ ETHZ | ZURICH, CH

Guest Critic for the Design Studio Midterm Review 'Studio Altstetten' | Chair of Architecture & Urban Transformation Prof. Freek Persyn.

MODERATOR

@ ETHZ | ZURICH, CH

Moderator for the Panel 'Film, Architecture, and Urban practice' | International Symposium on Film, Architecture and Urban Studies.

2021 | GUEST CRITIC

@ ETHZ | ZURICH, CH

Guest Critic for the Design Studio Final Review 'Trust - Building Values' | Chair of Affective Architecture Prof. An Fonteyne.

2020 | Recurring Yearly GUEST LECTURER

@ ETHZ | ZURICH, CH

Guest Lecturer for the Lecture Series 'Urban Stories - London' | Chair of Architecture & Urban Design Prof. Hubert Klumpner.

2012 | GUEST LECTURER

@ UNIFE | FERRARA, IT

Guest Lecturer for the Urban Regeneration Lab | Chair of Urban Design Prof. Nicola Marzot.

WORKSHOPS

2023 | TUTOR UN-DRAWING HOMES

@ PARITY TALKS VIII | ZURICH, CH

Student workshop run with Indiana Collective reimagining living spaces to accommodate diverse families, to promote a more equitable sharing of care-work, by leveraging everyday experiences.

2023 | TUTOR ACTIVISM. FEMINISM. CARE. TWO GAMES FOR ALTERNATIVE CITY-MAKING

@ PARITY TALKS VIII

In a game session participants become active co-creators of city development, aiming to understand the frictions in the urban economic system in which we live, discussing the struggles of spatial production, and exploring alternative forms of decision-making for social justice.

2014 | TUTOR ARETE' INTERNATIONAL DESIGN WORKSHOP

@ OACPP | CATANIA, IT

Student workshop run by the Italian Architects Board on the regeneration of industrial ruins in eastern Sicily.

EXHIBITIONS

2023 | LOOP JAM ENTROPOCITY @ LOOP | ZURICH, CH

Invited participation in a one-day art residency and subsequent exhibition based on improvisation between the artists, their works and the space. My contribution aimed to create a dialogue between the two recurring mediums of my practice and their contents: photography of the ordinary city and illustration of inner landscapes of emotions.

2022 | DOES THE BLUE SKY LIE? TESTIMONIES OF AIR'S TOXICITIES

@ KHOJ STUDIOS | DELHI, IN

Taking the form of a promotional kiosk selling apartments built by the fictional entity, Blue Skies-For Profit Homes, the work critiques the imagination of a "world-class" city where luxury homes become the only antidote to air pollution.

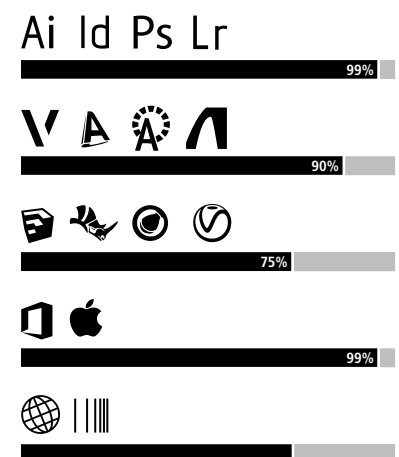
LANGUAGES

C2+ ITALIAN
Bilingual proficiency

C1 ENGLISH | GERMAN | SPANISH
Full professional proficiency

A2 FRENCH
Elementary proficiency

SOFTWARE



SKILLS

-  Flexible and multitasking
-  Collaborative team player
-  Attention to detail
-  Effective at organising work
-  Problem-solving attitude
-  Self-direction and sense of initiative
-  Working successfully under pressure
-  Excellent at meeting deadlines

SELECTED PROJECTS

RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS

2023 | **E-BIKE CITY** @ ETH ZÜRICH

D-BAUG Lighthouse Project - Subproject G studying on mobility behaviour change and implementation of an e-bike-city Personal focus on visualisation methods to support surveys capturing public acceptance of street redesign | With: SPUR

GLOSSARY OF SPATIAL PLANNING TERMS

@ ETH ZÜRICH

An educational resource designed at the ETH Institute of Spatial and Landscape Planning IRL to help navigate the terminology used in Swiss spatial planning and its translation to English.

2018 | **SOCIAL LIFE TRIUMPHS IN SICILY'S EMPTY UTOPIAN ARTSCAPE** @ FAILED ARCHITECTURE

Author | 2,000 word critical article on the reconstruction of Gibellina (IT) and photographic essay.

2015 | **DYNAMIC REFLECTIONS ON SARAJEVO**

IN 'RECONSTRUCTING SARAJEVO: NEGOTIATING SOCIO-POLITICAL COMPLEXITY'
@ THE OVE ARUP FOUNDATION, LSE CITIES

Co-author | 5,000 word critical illustrated essay | With: Elisabeth De Wolf, Serena Girani, Paula Szejnfeld Sirkis

2014 | **SOCIO-SPATIAL ANALYSIS OF COMMUNITY WAREHOUSES IN MANOR HOUSE**

@ LONDON BOROUGH OF HARINGEY

Co-author | 5,000 word study report to inform local planning frameworks | With: Riad Azar, Elisabeth De Wolf, Serena Girani, Drew Malmuth, Paula Szejnfeld Sirkis

LEARNING FROM A SOUTHERN STREET @ LSE CITIES

Author | 10,000 word critical illustrated essay | MSc Dissertation LSE Cities: socio-spatial research drawing lessons from informal practices in Palermo's street markets to create a new vocabulary of planning

RELATIONAL GRAIN @ LSE CITIES

Co-author 5,000 word critical illustrated essay | Socio-spatial research and toolbox re-conceptualising London density standards through social value | Published in 'Resourceful City' Studio Publication LSE Cities | With: Li Jie Choo, Bronwyn Kotzen, Benno Rembeck.

DESIGN & PLANNING

2023 | **FEM-O-POLY** (ONGOING SINCE 2021) @ ZÜRICH, CH

Design of an urban participatory game based on feminist economy of care and its consequences for planning and building | With: FrauMünsterhof21 project collective.

2022 | **SPATIAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (REK) & COMMUNAL STRUCTURE PLAN** @ LANGNAU AM ALBIS, CH

Concept for the future spatial development of Langnau a. A. commissioned by the Municipality leading to the preparation of the Communal Structure Plan (Kommunaler Richtplan) until the cantonal revision phase | With: Planwerkstadt, KEN Architects, Studio Vulkan | Client: Langnau a.A. Municipality

2021 | **STATION NIEDERHASLI** @ NIEDERHASLI, CH

Organisation of an Urban Design Competition for the transformation of the industrial area around the train station of Niederhasli | Client: HIAG, SBB Immobilien | With: Planwerkstadt.

2020 | **DIELSDORF CENTRAL PARK TEST PLANNING** @ DIELSORF, CH

Testing scenarios for the development of a site centred around a large public green space | Client: Dielsdorf Municipality | With: Planwerkstadt, BHSF Architekten, Bryum.

2019 | **GUIDELINE FOR QUALITY ASSURANCE OF DESIGN PLANS** @ CANTON AARGAU, CH

Toolbox for municipalities, private developers and project consultants on how to turn spatial concepts into a legally implementable design plans, while ensuring high-quality transformation | Client: Canton Aargau | With: Planwerkstadt.

2018 | **DISTRICT EX MACELLO** @ LOCARNO, CH

Concept for the regeneration of a former industrial area in Locarno | Client: City of Locarno | With: Planwerkstadt, Stücheli Pestalozzi Schiratzki Architekten, ghiggi paesaggi - landschaft und städtebau.

2017 | **SRI LANKA WESTERN REGION MEGAPOLIS** @ COLOMBO, LK

Research for best practices and policy analysis to assess urban development opportunities | Client: Ministry of Western Region, Government of Sri Lanka | With CoC Cities.

SMART CITIES ITALY @ ITALY

Concept strategy to foster infrastructure-led urban development | Client: Siemens Italy | With CoC Cities.

2016 | **SINGAPORE GREEN CORRIDOR** @ SINGAPORE

Urban design and placemaking concept for integrating a former railway corridor to the urban fabric and local communities | Client: Urban Redevelopment Authority | With: Spaceagency, OLIN Partnership, OMA, DP Architects.

DUBAI EXPO 2020 MASTERPLAN @ DUBAI, UAE

Wayfinding system and public realm furniture design | Client: Expo 2020 | With: Spaceagency, AECOM.

2015 | **ASTANA EXPO 2017 MASTERPLAN & NATIONAL PAVILION** @ ASTANA, KAZ

Wayfinding system and installation design | Client: IT Engineering | With: Spaceagency, KCA International.

ORBITAL HIGHWAY ARTSCAPE @ DOHA, QA

Wayfinding strategy and environmental graphics highlighting places of interests along Orbital Highway | Client: Ashghal | With: Spaceagency, OMA.

2012 | **COMPLEX(C)ITY** @ LONDON, UK

Urban Design and research proposal for a multi-functional centrality | MArch Dissertation University of Ferrara | Co-author 15,000 word critical illustrated essay (IT & EN), 11x A1 illustrated boards, architectural model.