

CHANGING CITIES VI I: Spatial, Design, Landscape, Heritage and Socio-Economic Dimensions

MAIN THEME: Artificial intelligence enhancing Cultural Heritage and Tourism Development in smart cities.

15 - 19June 2026 Spetses Island, Greece

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# **Registration Fees**

The fees give access to the following conference activities:

- 1) The whole scientific program.
- 2) A bag with conference material: e-book of Abstracts and e-book of Proceedings, with seperate ISBN numbers and indexed by ISI.
- 3) Conference lunches.
- 4) Welcome Reception with drinks and snacks, following the Opening Ceremony and keynote speeches on Monday evening 15th of June 2026

### Registration until 3rd of April 2026

450€
350€
250€
220€ \

Abstract submission is NOW OPEN. Deadline for abstract submission is Friday 30th of January 2026. The submitted abstracts will be reviewed and the authors will be notified in advance about the outcome of the evaluation. PAPER SUBMISSION IS OPTIONAL.

Abstracts will be published in the e-book of Abstracts and full papers will be published in the e-book of Conference Proceedings, with seperate ISBN numbers. Details for abstracts and full paper preparation and submission are provided to the authors on the conference website.

## Location and Conference venue

The "Anargyrios and Korgialenios School of Spetses Foundation" (AKSS) has been founded at the early 20th century (1920) by Sotirios Anargyros, an entrepreneur and national benefactor born on Spetses in 1849. Sotirios Anargyros decided to invest his fortune on the island's development, and among other big offers, he founded along with Marios Korialenis the Anargirios and Korgiallenios School, as a boarding school modelled off Eaton College with male students from prestigious and wealthy Greek families.





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# 7<sup>th</sup> Cities International Conference on "Changing"

# Artificial intelligence enhancing Cultural Heritage and Tourism Development in smart cities.

#### **Conference Synopsis & Objectives**

The series of international conferences on CHANGING CITIES started in 2013 and so far has delivered 6 international conferences, always in venues with unique characteristic natural landscape and cultural heritage, like the Greek Islands.

- CHANGING CITIES I: Spatial, Morphological, formal and socioeconomic dimensions, 18-21 June 2013, Skiathos Island, Greece.
- CHANGING CITIES II: Spatial, Design, Landscape and socioeconomic dimensions, 22-26 June 2015, Porto Heli, Peloponnese, Greece.
- CHANGING CITIES III: Spatial, Design, Landscape and socioeconomic dimensions, 26-30 June 2017, Syros Island, Greece.
- CHANGING CITIES IV: Spatial, Design, Landscape and socioeconomic dimensions, 23-28 June 2019, Chania, Crete Island, Greece.
- CHANGING CITIES V: Spatial, Design, Landscape, Heritage and socioeconomic dimensions, 20-25 June 2022, Corfu Island, Greece.
- CHANGING CITIES VI: Spatial, Design, Landscape, Heritage and socioeconomic dimensions, 24-28 June 2024, Rothes Island, Greece.

Il five conferences have been welcomed by the academic community of planners and architects worldwide, attracting about 300 papers and over 300 presenters from more than 50 countries from the Balkans, Northwest Europe, USA, Canada, Latin America (Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Mexico), Middle East and North Africa, Asia, Far East (China and Japan) and Oceania (Australia, New Zealand, New Guinea). On this basis, we believe the 7th Changing Cities conference will also be a successful academic event. This year, the conference puts an emphasis on Cities and Artificial Intelligence encouraging urban development.

The conference aspires to bring together urban planners and designers, spatial planners, architects, landscape designers, urban geographers, urban economists, urban sosciologists and urban policy makers and to all together investigate new challenges concerning cities and their future.

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#### The Conference's Main Theme

# Artificial intelligence enhancing Cultural Heritage and Tourism Development in smart cities.

The conference is organised by UNIVERSITY OF THESSALY, Lab of Urban Morphology and Design, Department of Planning & Regional Development, Volos, Greece, in collaboration with University of the Patras, Department of Architecture, Greece.

The conference aims at becoming an international forum of transaction of ideas on changing cities. This year, the conference puts an emphasis on Cities and Artificial Intelligence encouraging urban development.

#### As always, other conference thematic axis focus on:

- Resilient Cities.
- Smart Cities.
- Environmental Urban Planning,
- Green Architecture; Urban Design & New Technologies,
- Climate Change, Circular Economy and Sustainable Development,
- Urban Design in Planning,
- Sustainable Urban Planning & Development,
- Urban Redevelopment, Regeneration & Resilience,
- Urban Cultures & Public Open Spaces,
- Built Heritage Management & Historical Centres,
- Cultural Heritage Management,
- · Urban Landscapes, Landscape Planning & Design,
- · Transportation Planning and Policy in Cities,
- Place Marketing & City Branding,
- Urban Economies & Spatial Impacts,
- Planning Laws & Real Estate,
- Multicultural cities,
- · Shrinking Cities,
- Divided Cities
- Al cultural heritage
- Al and smart tourism destinations.

### **Keynote Speakers**

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Prof. Marichela Sepe Sapienza University, Italy



**Prof. Alcestis Rodi** University of Patras, Greece



**Prof. George Panetsos** University of Patras, Greece



**Prof. Dimitra-Diana Babalis** University of Firenze, Italy



Prof. Em. Achille Ippolito Sapienza University, Italy



**Prof. Yannis Aesopos** University of Patras, Greece



**Dr. Iris Gertnet-Moryossef** Hadassah Academic College



**Prof. Maro Sinou** University of West Attica,



Prof. Izabela Mironowicz Gdanks University, Poland



**Prof. Emeritus Konstantinos Moratis.**University of Athens, Greece



**Prof. Luca Salvati** University of Rome, Italy



**Prof. Emeritus Dimitra Nikolaou** University of Athens, Greece



**Prof. Maria Grigoriadi** University of Thrace, Greece



**Prof. Francesco Lo Piccolo** University of Palermo, Italy



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