



Faculty Positions in Urban and Territorial Design and Theory of Architecture and the Environment

at the Ecole polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL)

EPFL's School of Architecture, Civil and Environmental Engineering (ENAC) invites applications for two faculty positions in Architecture. The positions are open at the levels of Associate Professor or Full Professor.

The Institute of Architecture and the City (IA) is hiring Professors in the areas of **Urban and Territorial Design** and Theory of **Architecture and the Environment** to address the systemic challenges posed by the continued climate crisis, rapid urbanization, and the threat of collapsing eco-systems. Architecture and urban/territorial design must acquire an insightful understanding of their mission as transformed and transforming disciplines with the ability and responsibility to bring up progressive and inclusive visions and solutions for our present, operating as catalysts within the ecological transition that is vital for life on earth. IA being part of a science and technology research university provides a pointed potential to engage further Architecture's disciplinary capacities in design and synthesis.

Urban and Territorial Design: The appointee will be an architect/urbanist with the ability to work in an innovative, trans-scalar and integrated manner with the multilayered nature of our living environments, from the city to the territory. S/he addresses questions related to ecology, economy, law, digitalization, mobility, demography, work or housing. S/he will explore novel methods and strategies, as well as technologies and digital tools to tackle the challenges posed by urbanization and climate change and link design in situated environmental conditions with territorial scale regional development.

Theory of Architecture and the Environment: ENAC reaches out to hire an internationally outstanding theoretician with a holistic and distinctive view of the epistemological challenges arising for the disciplines working with the built and living environment. S/he has an agenda to push architectural theory as an active and operative practice capable of enabling socio-cultural impact and enhancing transfer of knowledge, while positioning her/himself at the frontiers of a new and inclusive trans-disciplinary understanding of architecture and the environment in a cross-cultural approach between design, technology, science and the social.

The Institute of Architecture and the City at ENAC EPFL is an internationally leading institution in architecture, urban /territorial design and home of one of the three university level architecture schools in Switzerland. With its main campus located in Lausanne and its developing antennae in neighbouring cantons in Switzerland, EPFL is a growing and well-funded institution fostering excellence and diversity. It is well equipped with experimental and computational infrastructure, and offers a fertile environment for research collaboration between different disciplines. The EPFL environment is multilingual and multicultural, with English serving as a common interface. EPFL offers internationally competitive start-up resources, salaries, and benefits.

The following documents are requested in PDF format: cover letter including a statement of motivation, curriculum vitae, publications list, concise statements of research and teaching interests (3-5 pages) as well as the names and addresses, including emails, of at least five references (who may be contacted at a later stage). Applications should be uploaded to the EPFL recruitment web site:

<https://facultyrecruiting.epfl.ch/position/21823491>

Formal evaluation of the applications will begin on **15 June 2020**.

Further enquiries should be made to the Chair of the Search Committee:

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It is committed to increasing the diversity of its faculty.
It strongly encourages women to apply.