

FOREWORD

As Department of Architecture we are happy to continue our education life we started in 1970 as Konya Government Architecture Engineering Academy and changed to be Selcuk University Faculty of Architecture now in 2012. Knowing this change as an opportunity we want to take a look at the horizon in this congress.

Almost 40 years passed from the time of Alvin Toffler's foresights about future like electronic house, scattered city. Now communication and IT technologies which Toffler took as basis go beyond his foresights. However did the reflections occur in the urban planning and architecture in the same dimension? Argumentative... Why? Where are we going? What do we teach to the next generations? These should be discussed...

As one of the leading professions in society could the architecture and urban design disciplines do their duties?

What is missing?

What is our – educators – role?

Are our governors and governance understanding, our law aware of this rapid and huge change?

How much are we ready for this phenomenon as we will inevitably come across with it in close future?

We must understand the character and future of this change and direct the process. The societies which fail to transform the institutes of industrial era into institutes of this new era in a controlled and rapid way are convicted to be drowned in this new wave.

What do we do and what should we do against the phenomenon of this new era capturing our lives as architecture circle and educational institutions? To share these ideas with you and search for the truths of common mind we reserved the theme of our first congress for "Architecture and Technology". Especially we wanted to realize this with local governments and in international level. With the hope of reaching results those will be useful for both our institutes of application and our academia aiming to catch the era and go far beyond the change...

With the belief that it will open new horizons for all of us welcome to ICONARCH –I. thank you for your contributions.

Kind Regards...

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