



ORGANIZING INSTITUTIONS
University of Pisa | DESTeC | Master Degree in Architecture and Building Engineering

PROGRAMME

THE CITY AND THE WATER
International Summer School

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Pisa | August 24th – September 4th 2026

Centro Congressi LE BENEDETTINE

Piazza San Paolo a Ripa D'Arno, 16

Monday 24th August

16:00-16:30 | **Institutional Greetings**

Renato Iannelli - Director of Department of Energy, Systems, Territory, and Constructions Engineering | University of Pisa

Delegate international office and summer school | University of Pisa

Delegate of the Association of Architects of the Province of Pisa

Delegate of the Association of Engineers of the Province of Pisa

Elisa De Bernardi | Est Ovest Est - Social promotion association exchanges with China

16:30-17:30 | **Since 2014 "The City and the Water" as an opportunity for study and cultural exchanges**

Marco Giorgio Bevilacqua | University of Pisa

17:30-18:00 | **Presentation of the themes and organization of groups**

Giovanni Santi, Lucia Giorgetti, Giammarco Montalbano, Piergiuseppe Rechichi | University of Pisa

18:00-19:00 | Welcome Cocktail

Tuesday 25th August

09:00-09:30 | **Departure from Piazza San Paolo a Ripa d'Arno**

09:30-17:00 | **Sites inspection (City of Pisa, Botanical Garden, Migliarino-San Rossore National Park)**

Fabrizio Cinelli and Francesca Mugnai, and Summer School Staff | University of Pisa

17:00-18:00 | Return to **Ex-complesso delle Benedettine**

18:00-19:00 | **Teamwork**

Wednesday 26th August

09:00-10:30 | **Teamwork**

10:30-13:30 | **City, Landscape and Architecture: Cinema and the Threshold. Exploration of Liminal Spaces**

M. Cossi | CossiBros-Pisa italy

15:00-16:30 | **Architecture and Destruction: Natural Disasters Representation**

A. Meloni | University of Pisa

16:30-19:00 | **Analysis of Study Topics**

R. Bocchi | luav Venezia

Thursday 27th August

- 09:00-10:30 | **Landscapes Between Land and Water: Towards Adaptive Strategies**
R. Bocchi | Iuav Venezia
- 10:30-13:00 | **First Review**
Concepts exposition and discussion with the course director and the guest lecturers
- 15:00-17:00 | **Pisa Historical Evolution: Water and Defensive Systems**
M. G. Bevilacqua | University of Pisa
- 17:30-18:00 | Tea Break
- 18:00-19:00 | **Teamwork**

Friday 28th August

- 09:00-10:30 | **Teamwork**
- 10:30-12:30 | **The Resilience of the City : Nature Based Solutions Systems**
P. Carvalho | University of Aarhus (DK) - [Circle U European University Alliance](#)
- 15:00-17:00 | **Using urban narratives to inform design practice: Budva waterfront competition**
A. Djordjević | University of Belgrade (SRB) - [Circle U European University Alliance](#)

Saturday 29th August

- 09:00-11:00 | **Limits between Urban Spaces and Water: a Design Approach**
Jonida Meniku | (MSTeams) | Polytechnic University of Tirana
- 11:00-13:30 | **Second Review** Concepts exposition and discussion with the course director and the Scientific Committee

Sunday 30st August

Free day

Monday 31st September

- 09:00-10:30 | **Teamwork**
- 10:30-12:00 | **Heat Island Effect in Historical Urban Context: Urban Green Spaces's Strategies**
Barbara Gherri | University of Parma
- 12:00-13:00 | **Teamwork**
- 15:00-17:00 | **Urban and Metropolitan Risk Management in the Era of Climate Change**
Veronica Vitiello | University of Federico II Napoli
- 17:00-17:30 | Tea Break
- 17:30-19:00 | **Third Review** Concepts exposition and discussion with the course director and the Scientific Committee



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Tuesday 1st September

09:00-10:30 | ***Waterways between Architectures and Urban Spaces***

Livio Petriccione | University of Padua

10:30-13:30 | ***Sustainable thinking: Best Practices for Microclimate and Life Cycle***

Cecilia Ciacci | University of Florence

15:00-19:00 | **Teamwork**

Wednesday 2nd September

09:00-10:30 | ***New Paradigms in the Use of Water Resources to Improve Resilience Against Water Scarcity***

Renato Iannelli | University of Pisa

10:30-13:30 | **Fourth Review** Concepts exposition and discussion with the course director the Scientific Committee and the Dean of Master Degree in Architecture and Building Engineering of Pisa prof. Luca Lanini

15:00-19:00 | **Teamwork**

Thursday 3rd September

09:00-13:30 | **Teamwork**

15:00-18:00 | **Teamwork**

18:00-19:30 | **Delivery of the final drawings**

Friday 4th September

09:00-11:30 | **Exhibition Opening and Presentation of Results**

11:30-12:00 | End of the International Summer School 2025 "The City and the Water" and presentation of 2027 Edition

12:00-13:00 | Farwell Cocktail

N.B. The programme may be slightly modified according to the needs of students and teachers.



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Partnership:

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Association of Engineers of the Province of Pisa

Ecole Nationale d'Architecture Marrakech (Morocco)

Ar.Tec. – Scientific Society of Architectural Engineering

Est Ovest Est - Social promotion association that promotes cultural, artistic and sporting exchanges with China.

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