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Visit to H.R.H.Prince Sultan Bin Salman at 'Uzaybat Farm 2-5 November 2018.

H.R.H. Prince Sultan Bin Salman invited Prof. Dr. Saleh Lamei to attend the meeting held at 'Uzaybat Farm.

His R.H. presented his different activities on Earthen Heritage in Saudi Arabia and the preparation of the new publication on Earthen Architectural projects.



Visit of Master Degree students, Conservation Department, Damascus University; Cairo 2- 11 October 2018.

A group of 32 Students, Department of Architecture at Damascus University, master degree in conservation, visited different Archaeological and Historic sites in Cairo. They were welcomed by Prof. Lamei and our Centre team during the tour and Prof. Lamei gave several lectures at the Egyptian Engineering Society.

- 1-Rehabilitation of Villa Qāzdughlī (Casdagli) -Garden City.
- 2-Heritage for peace- Hala Sultan Tekke, Larnaca, Cyprus.
- 3-Restoration of Al-Azhar mosque- Cairo.

They visited the Giza pyramids area, Saqqara area, Egyptian and Islamic Museum, Pharaonic village, Aga Khan Restoration Projects, Historic Cairo.



Visiting Al Hakim Mosque



Evening lecture at the Egyptian Engineering Society

Prof. Saleh Lamei is appointed Consultant for Heritage, Ministry of Culture, K.S.A.

The Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques H.M. King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud announced the creation of a new Culture Ministry and Prince Badr bin Abdullah bin Mohammed bin Farhan Al-Saud was appointed Minister of Culture.

H.H. the Minister of Culture met Prof. Saleh Lamei who was honored to be consultant of Cultural Heritage, at the Ministry of Culture for the year 2018-2019.



Consultation of Al-Muftaha village – Asir area

The Vernacular house at Muftaha village was highly deteriorated and will be reconstructed to its original features. CIAH is working as a consultant for the project execution.

Consultation of Beit al Balad

Beit al Balad built as a residential house for Banagah family in the early 20th century; used by the British legation's headquarters in Jeddah, 1915-1930. Beit Al Balad will be restored and reused as Jeddah Cultural Centre. The scope of work for conservation was done by CIAH.



Al Muftaha village Abha city



Beit al Balad museum- Jeddah

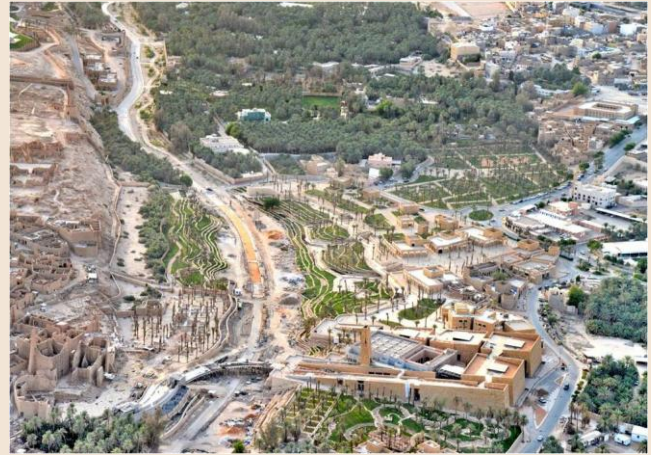
Inauguration of At-Turaif historic District, World Heritage Site, Dir'iyah- CIAH Prestigious project, K.S.A.

The Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques H.M.King Salman inaugurated the conservation of Al-Turaif district in the Historic Dir'iyah on 9 December 2018. The heads of states and leaders of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) attended the inauguration ceremony,

The UNESCO World Heritage Committee included the historic district of Dir'iyah in the World Heritage List in its 34th meeting in Brasilia, Brazil, according to the following criteria:

Criterion (iv): The citadel of at-Turaif is representative of a diversified and fortified urban ensemble within an oasis.

Criterion (v): The site of at-Turaif District in ad-Dir'iyah illustrates a significant phase in the human settlement of the central Arabian plateau, when in the mid-18th century Ad-Dir'iyah became the capital of an independent Arab State and an important religious centre.



Project Layout

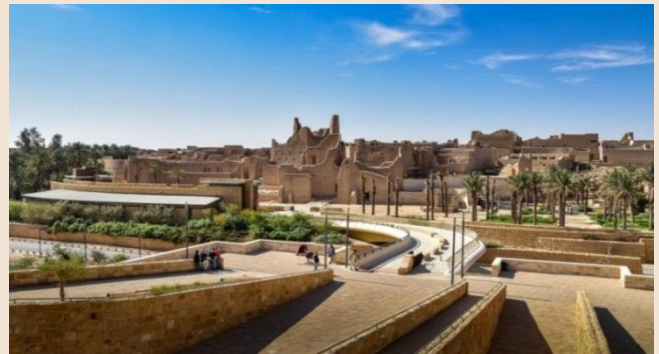
At-Turaif District in Ad-Dir'iyah is an outstanding example of traditional human settlement in a desert environment.

Criterion (vi): The At-Turaif District was the first historic centre with a unifying power in the Arabian Peninsula

The 58 Acres site was transformed into a living museum including visitor's reception areas, exhibition galleries and market place for traditional Saudi crafts.

The urban core includes mud brick dwellings which were rehabilitated. The Souk (Arabian market) shops demonstrating traditional foods, and handicrafts.

The Center for conservation of the Islamic Architectural heritage **CIAH** was entrusted to prepare the conservation works of earthen buildings as a member of the international Consulting offices.



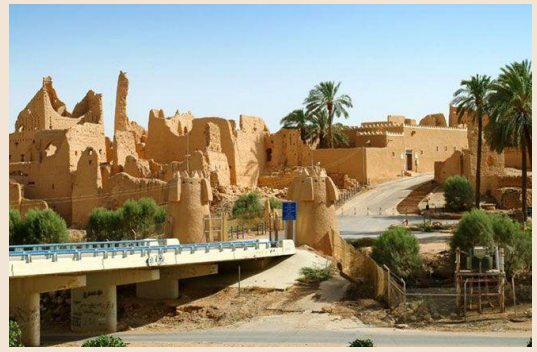
Site Facade General View



Imam Muhammad Bin Sa'ud Mosque



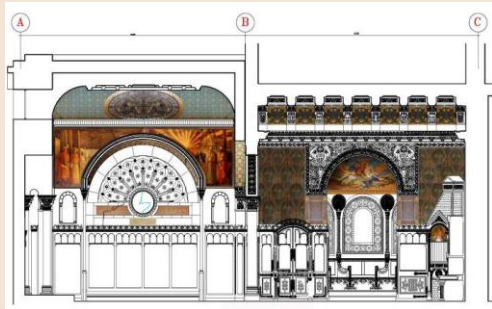
Salwa Palace Shoring works



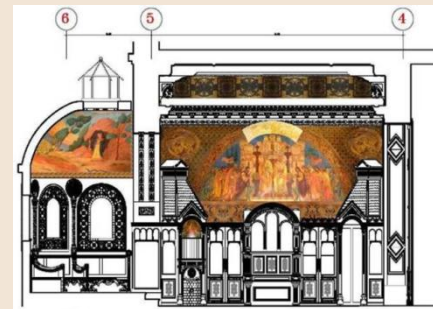
This project becomes a significant tourist asset and a reviving museum of Riyadh History.

Lecture at RHINE NILE Rotary Club: Conservation of Cairo Urban Golden Age, Villa Qazdughli, Garden City.

Prof. Saleh Lamei gave a lecture at Rhine Nile Rotary Club– Egypt on the Conservation of Cairo Urban Golden Age- Villa Qazdughli- Garden City. The property covers lot number 1, Simon Bolivar square. The palace was established at the beginning of the twentieth century, and was designed by the Austrian architect Edward Matasek .The property was bought by Emanuel Qāzdughlī around 1909. From 1943 -47 was residence of the American Embassy. 1948 until recently was used as a governmental school.



Section of the reception area



Section of the reception area



West Elevation



South Elevation



North façade and garden



Main entrance Hall



Reception room – ground floor



Reception room – ground floor



Lamei during Lecture
Club

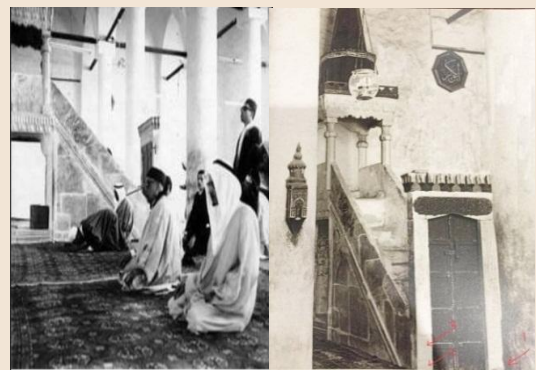


Members of Rhine Nile Rotary Club

Restoration of Sultan Qa'itbay Minbar, Al-Madinah Al-Munawarah-K.S.A.

Sultan Al-Ashraf Qa'itbay, born in 826 A.H. / 1422 A.D-D. 901 A.H. / 1496 A.D. was Mamlouk of Sultan al-Ashraf Barsbay and then he was emancipated by Sultan al-Zaher Jaqmaq.

He was named Dawidar during Sultan Inal era. Became Sultan on 6 Rajab 872 AH / 31 January 1468 AD.



The restoration project has been prepared according to old minbar photos after it was transferred from Prophet mosque and relocated in the Quba' Mosque.

Missing parts will be redesigned according to manuscripts and photos taken from Quba' mosque.

The existing different elements have been documented by measuring on situ as well as by photogrammetry.

Execution works will take about 3 months and will be supervise by CIAH



Existing minbar elements

