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A RIBA Chartered Architect and an active member of the American Institute of Architects, an award-winning, multidisciplinary and result-oriented Architect Engineer with a clear and compelling vision. With 13 years of extensive experience spent and engaged in the project and design management, concept, schematic, detailed design and project delivery of high-end, fast track and complex projects across a number of sectors ranging from hospitality to mixed-use/residential in diverse countries that include the UAE, USA, Singapore, Italy, Cyprus & Greece. A proven leader in providing direction to teams, planning, managing and overseeing all proposals, value design engineering, concept designing and inter-disciplinary management. A versatile go-getter with an insatiable drive for success and a whatever-it-takes philosophy.

## EDUCATION

- Executive Education - Online Professional Certificate for AIA Architects, Harvard University, Massachusetts, USA, 2021.
- Masters in Architecture and Civil Engineering, Università degli Studi 'Gabriele d'Annunzio' di Chieti, Pescara, Italy, 2009 – 2012.
- Bachelor's in Architecture, Università degli Studi 'Gabriele d'Annunzio' di Chieti, Pescara, Italy, 2004 – 2009.

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Nationality: Greek

Born: 1985

Marital Status: Married

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

• AutoCAD	• Sketchup	• Rhino - Rhinoceros 3D
• Adobe Photoshop	• Vray	• Thea Render
• Lumion Render & Animation	• 3Ds Max	• Microsoft Office
• Adobe Lightroom	• Vray	

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### **AVRA Group Development, Dubai, UAE, Associate, Head of Design, July 2020 to present**

#### **Projects Handled:**

The Hellinikon Tower, Luxurious residential Tower, 31 floors, Former Hellinikon Airport, Athens, Greece	Traditional Greek Private villa, 2 floors, Saint George, Antiparos Island, Greece	LUX Serviced apartments Hotel, 33 floors, Business Bay, Dubai, UAE
Athens Hellinikon Commercial Center, 5 floors, The Hellinikon, Athens, Greece	Reconstruction of Aristotle Square's Central Urban axis, Design competition, Thessaloniki, Greece	Mediterranean private mansion, 3 floors, Fisher Island, Miami - Florida, USA
Façade Uplifting and renovation of 75 villas, 3 floors, Al Maqta village, Abu Dhabi, UAE		

## KEY COMPETENCIES

- Skillset in Architectural Concept Design
- Detailed Design Development
- Master & Urban planning
- Visionary Leadership
- Budget Estimation
- Project Coordination
- Legal Compliance
- Business Acumen
- Data Analysis
- Client Relationship Management
- Resource Allocation
- Risk Assessment
- Skillset in Engineering

## MEMBERSHIPS

- Chartered Architect of the Royal Institute of British Architects, **RIBA**
- Member of the American Institute of Architects, **AIA**
- Member of the Greek Technical Chamber, **TEE**
- Certified Building Energy Inspector - Code 15, Greek ministry of Environment Energy and Climate change.

- Reported directly to the CEO while managing a team of 15 Architects & Draftsmen, leading and developing projects from early concept through design development.
- Spearheaded and remotely coordinated the concept design and design development stage of several projects in the Middle East, Europe & USA.
- Liaised and created building designs with highly detailed drawings both by hand and by using 3D software while working closely with a team of other professionals.
- Successfully resolved design and development problems and managed design competitions for several projects in Middle East Region & Europe.
- Reviewed contractor's design and technical submittals and prepared design budget estimates and Overall Feasibility studies reporting to the higher management.
- Oversaw all project documentation, including Specifications, cut sheets, Schedules. Organized and managed the design team and resources.
- Spearheaded Detailed Delivery Program and Drawing Transmittal Register and ensured design is in compliance with relevant codes, standards, regulations and requirements of local authority having jurisdiction.
- Meticulously Steered Performance and Project Evaluation, Design Management and Design Coordination.

**Bruce Henderson Architects - BHNS Engineering Consultants - Dubai - UAE, September 2016 - July 2020**

**Head of Concept Design**

**May 2019 - July 2020**

**Projects Handled:**

Marina Vista Tower 1: 29 floors, Tower 2: 39 floors + common Podium, EMAAR, Dubai Harbour, UAE	Collective 2.0 - 2 Towers of 17 floors, EMAAR, Dubai Hills, UAE	Al Deyar Residence, 2 Towers of 35 floors in common podium, Al Deyar, DowTown Jebel Ali-1, Dubai, UAE
Damac Akoya Oxygen Villas, 4500 Residential Villas, DAMAC, Dubai, UAE	Al Jaddaf Building II, 15 floors, Al Jaddaf, Dubai, UAE	Various Private Residential villas, EMAAR, Dubai Hills, UAE
La Zuli Hotel, 61 floors, Buhaira Corniche, Sharjah, UAE	DSOA warehouses, 2 floors, Dubai Silicon Oasis, Dubai, UAE	Ghantoot Mall, 4 floors, Jumeirah, Dubai, UAE
The Car Museum, 7 Buildings - 4 floors & Master Urban Planning, Masdar City, Abu Dhabi, UAE	Port Rashid, Master Sustainable Urban Development, Dubai, UAE	RT8 Complex, Mixed Use, 1 Hotel - 51 floors, 1 Offices Tower - 26 floors, 1 mall - 4 floors & 1 Cultural Center - 5 floors, Umm Al Sheif, Dubai, UAE

- Brainstormed design concept of conglomerate categories and demonstrated initial concept and design development looks and styles.
- Spearheaded the Concept Design Team for live projects and assisted with Architectural Design issues.
- Led the Design Reviews, directed presentations to the Client and managed comments and revisions to secure client's approvals.
- Liaised with a team of architects, engineers and multi-disciplinary designers to produce high quality design work, reports and documentation in the form of client deliverables.
- Liable for development of the design across the masterplan, individual buildings, residential villas, landscape, lighting and interior design disciplines.

**Senior Design Architect - Concept Design Practice Leader**

**September 2016 - May 2019**

**Projects Handled:**

Al Jaddaf Building, 18 floors, Al Jaddaf, Dubai, UAE	Burj Vista, Tower 1: 71 floors, Tower 2: 28 floors, EMAAR, Dubai Down Town, UAE	The Lagoons, Tower 1: 28 floors, Tower 2: 38 floors, EMAAR, Dubai Creek Harbour, UAE
Marvena Residence, 18 floors, Al Jaddaf, Dubai, UAE	Creek Towers, 2 Towers of 37 floors, EMAAR, DCH, UAE	The Palace Cafe, EMAAR, 2 floors, Dubai Down Town, UAE
EMAAR Sales Offices, 3 floors, EMAAR, Business Bay, Dubai, UAE	T-001 (Al Sufouh Suites), 26 floors, Al Reem Real Estate, Dubai Sufouh Gardens, Dubai, UAE	The B tower, 32 floors, Harbor Real Estate, Business Bay, Dubai, UAE
Acacia, 31 floors, Al Reem Real Estate Development, Dubai Al Sufouh Gardens, UAE	Majestine, 23 floors, DAMAC, Business Bay, Dubai, UAE	Premier Hotel apartments, 23 floors, Baghdad, Iraq

- Reported directly to the CEO while managing a team of 3 Architects & Draftsmen, leading and developing projects from early concept through design development.
- Spearheaded and Coordinated the Concept Design Department and liaised with Client and understood the reflection of their Design requirements into detailed Conceptual Architectural drawings.
- Overviewed and directed the Preparation of final presentation boards to the client and followed up with the relative Authorities such as TECOM, DM, DCD, DTCM, RTA and Green Building for live projects.
- Finalized budget estimates, Overall Feasibility studies, Material study and selection.

**Polverini Middle East, Dubai, UAE, Associate Architect - Project Manager, September 2015 - September 2016**

- Worked closely with the design and technical team of famous fashion design firms such as CARTIER, CHRISTIAN DIOR, PRADA, D&G, HARVEY NICHOLS, MARC JACOBS & GALERIES LAFAYETTE in the Middle East.
- Substantiated that each fashion design firm and retail points of sale in the UAE, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Bahrain meet each brand's environmental requirements and comply with each fashion firm's design codes.
- Supervised all technical aspects and installation works of designing, producing, and integrating each official distributor POS fixture with a focus on enhancing each brand's visibility.
- Ensured merchandising and display elements are correctly installed, implemented, and maintained in each fashion design firm's concept design, in coordination with the Store Designers and Planning Managers of each firm.

## **Taka + Partners - Thessaloniki – Greece, Associate - Senior Design Architect, January 2015 - September 2015**

### **Projects Handled:**

Miraggio Thermal Spa Resort, five-star Resort complex, 9 floors, Chalkidiki, Greece	Private Air BnB Hotel renovation, 2 floors, Chalkidiki, Greece	Twar Mall Cinemas, 2 floors, Doha, QATAR
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- Chaired and orchestrated client meetings to determine project program & project goals and worked upon the decided elements within the given budget constraint.
- Performed design work and produced design deliverables per defined project schedules.
- Identified design challenges and design opportunities, key issues, and other considerations that will have an impact on the project design.

## **Al-Hamad Contracting Company - Dubai Civil Engineering - Dubai – UAE, Senior Design Architect, October 2013 – January 2015**

### **Projects Handled:**

Hilton Hotel 2 Towers, 43 floors, Amman, Jordan	Pacific Towers, 6 Towers, 12 floors, Al Marjan island, Ras al-Khaimah, UAE	Al Bareeq Tower (Radisson Blu Dubai Canal View), 21 floors, Business Bay, Dubai, UAE
PalmaRossa SPA Luxury Hotel, 15 Floors, Dubailand, Dubai, UAE	Lady Tower - 5-star Hotel, 57 floors, Business Bay, Dubai, UAE	Symphony Hotel (Radisson Blu Hotel Dubai Waterfront), 21 floors, Business Bay, Dubai, UAE

- Successfully steered the project from Pre-Concept up to detailed design proposals, Exterior Facade & Interior design proposals.
- Spearheaded and directed the development of 3D final renderings and final presentation boards for Senior management approvals
- Facilitated Architectural material study and selection and budget estimates.
- Produced concept boards of images for feedback and approval from the Art Director and Clients, which captured the intended look and attitude and that reflected branding and positioning with architecture, color, finish materials, and lighting.

## **Ministry Of Defence of Greece, Engineering Department - Athens – Greece, Designer - Architect Engineer, January 2013 – October 2013**

- Reported to the Army base commander while managing a team of 25 Architects/Soldiers.
- Classified design documentation from Concept stage to Construction documents.
- Authorized drafting plans, elevations and details for both military residential and military camps projects.
- Responded to RFI's during the BID phase and construction, assisted Project Managers and Manage staff in the production of construction documents using AutoCAD and hand sketches.

## **Architetti Italiani & Sabila S.R.L - Pescara – Italy, Designer - Architect Engineer, October 2009 – January 2013**

### **Projects Handled:**

La Sorgente, Interior & landscaping design, 2 floors, Brindisi, ITALY	SYNORA, Military monument, Serres, GREECE	Union State Congress Hall - Nigerian government building, 41 floors, Abuja, NIGERIA
United colors of Benetton, Interior design, 350 sq.m, Pescara, ITALY	La sirenetta ristorante, Interior design, 200 sq.m, Pescara, ITALY	Per Se cafe-bar, Interior Design, 140 sq.m, Thessaloniki, GREECE
Union State Congress Hall - Nigerian government building, Landscaping Urban Design, Abuja, NIGERIA	Various Private Residential villas, 2 floors, Pescara, Italy, Blancard, Marseille, France	Mansion Private Residential villa, 2 floors, Jemison, Alabama, USA

## **Maratheftis & Yiannouris - Architects & Engineers, Nicosia, Cyprus, Trainee Design Architect Engineer, June 2006 - August 2006 and June 2005 - August 2005**

- Produced interior finish boards, illustrated drawings, 3D SketchUp models and realistic renderings for a variety of clients.
- Involved in the development, architecture, design, as well as lead engineer in the final implementation.

## **Università degli Studi 'Gabriele d'Annunzio' di Chieti, Pescara, Italy, Assistant Tutor, September 2009 - February 2010**

- Taught module in Sustainable Architecture and study- design of renewable energy sources.
- Tutored 3D Sketchup, photorealistic rendering by using Shaderlight photorealistic software and animating by using Lumion Pro.

## AWARDS

- Design AWARD by the German Design Council, German Design Award Special 2019
- Design AWARD by the International Property Awards, Best European Hotel Interior in Greece, 2018
- Middle East Architect Awards 2017, Hospitality Projects Category
- Tributed for contribution to the International Architectural Design as a Greek Architect ambassador living and working abroad, January 2019, Thessaloniki, Greece, Greek National TV

## LANGUAGES

- English, Greek, Italian, French and Spanish

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