

# Invitation

International Summer School, 25-29, June 2018, Kaunas



Kaunas 2022  
Modernism for the Future

Promoting the Progressive:  
Modernism and its Value as a  
Historic Urban Landscape



# We welcome

Specialists of cultural heritage, students of architecture and heritage protection, doctoral students who work with any topics related to preserving or interpreting the heritage of historic urban landscapes of the 20th century.

A certificate will be provided to the participants; students will receive 2 ECTS.

Those willing to take part in the summer school have to register by sending their CV and motivation letter. The selection procedures will take into account the balance of gender and countries.

## About the Summer School

### 2018 European Year of Cultural Heritage

In 2018, the European Year of Cultural Heritage, all forms of heritage throughout the European Union will be celebrated as the source of memory, identity, dialogue, unity and creativity. These celebrations coincide with the centenary of Lithuania's independence, causing the country to give special attention to symbols of modernisation, especially to modernist architecture, which bears witness to an optimistic and progressive Europe.

## Summer School

It is for this reason that the European Capital of Culture in Kaunas in 2022 has organised a Summer School for students of architecture and heritage protection, as well as professionals in associated fields, to engage in these issues. The school is part of a wider series of events dedicated to the European Year of Cultural Heritage, 2018. The event is also a part of the program "Heritage practice" under Joint Programming Initiative "Cultural Heritage: a Challenge for Europe" and will be

held at the Kaunas University of Technology from June 25-29, 2018.

The Summer School will focus on the urban fabric of Kaunas. After getting familiar with the historical parts of the city Žaliakalnis and Naujamiestis, participants of the Summer School will be invited to prepare experimental architectural scenarios for the future development of this territory or selected sites within these areas. Ideas should offer a way to preserve the modernist architecture, which is essential to the local character, while also proposing new interventions at different scales that reinterpret, reinvigorate and revitalise the city. The work should question the concepts of value and authenticity, asking whether authenticity should be perceived in terms of tangible artefacts or can include intangible attributes, such as modernist notions of progress.

## Legacy

During the Summer School students will listen to introductory lectures and do heritage walks with teachers to discuss the legacy of the modern city of Kaunas. Further work will be done in groups analysing selected case studies and providing ideas for architectural scenarios.

Afterwards the results will be presented to the public. A short documentary film produced during this week will be featured for the UNESCO representatives as well as in events for the European Capital of Culture and other heritage activities associated with Kaunas 2022. An open discussion with the community will be organized to discuss the results.

# Practical information

## Dates

International summer school will be organised on June 25–29, 2018.

Application process: from April 9th to May 15th 12pm (EET)

Approved list of participants: till May 30th

The full content of the program will be announced till June. Further information about accommodation, detailed program and other important information will be sent to all selected participants during the first week of June (4–10th).

## Food and accommodation

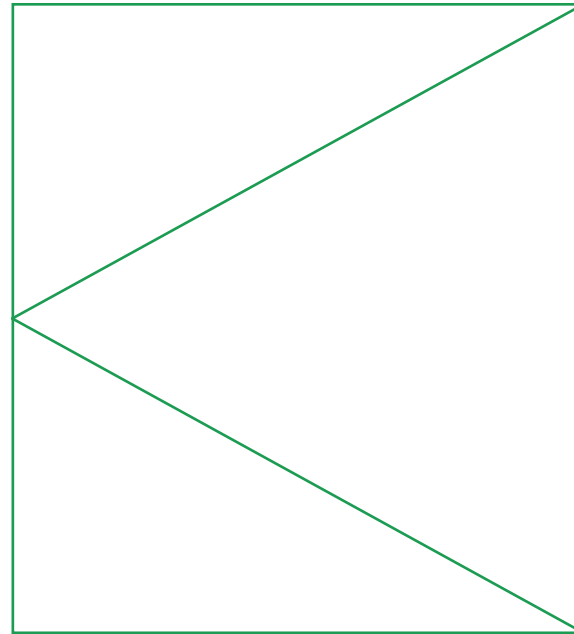
The organisers will provide accommodation and food at the dorm of Kaunas University of Technology (two participants per room). Otherwise, participants are looking for accommodation and paying by themselves.

## Travel costs

Travel costs and tickets are not covered. Lithuania is a part of the EU and Schengen Area. Kaunas International Airport (KUN) is accessible by a number of low-cost airlines.

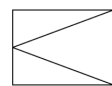
## Language

The summer school will be held in English.



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Organizers:



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