Architecture and autism. Shared spaces and sensory escapes

International Workshop November 28, 2025

9:00 - 9:20 Welcome and Introduction Giuseppina Scavuzzo (DIA - UniTS), Andrea Gasparella (UniBZ)

9:20 - 10:00 KEYNOTE

"Refuge as Prospect: an Anthology of the ASPECTSS of the Sensory Landscape"

Magda Mostafa (AUC)

SENSORY ROOM EXPERIENCE

Chair: Giuseppina Scavuzzo, Martina Di Prisco

10:00 - 10:20 "Wood Snoezelen: a prototype of an untreated wood multi-sensory room for the caring and inclusion of students with disabilities at "G. Marconi" primary school in Lozzo Atestino, Padua, Italy"

Massimo Rossetti, Agata Tonetti (IUAV)

10:20 - 10:40 "Sensory environments: a strategy for inclusion" Elena Bellini (DIA - UniFI), DU IT s.r.l.

10:40 - 11:00 "Designing well-being: the calm space of the MUSE"
Romana Scandolari, Paolo Degiovanni (MUSE)

11:00 - 11:20 Q/A + coffee break room Sala Atti, building D

DESIGN THINKING AND USER ENGAGEMENT

Chair: Federica Bettarello, Martina Di Prisco

11:20 - 11:40 "Reflections and lessons learnt on inclusive design and meaningful collaboration with autistic individuals"

Katie Gaudion (RCA)

11:40 - 12:00 "Urban Heritage as a Driver for Mental Health"
Giulia Mezzalama (MinD MAD in Design)

12:00 - 12:20 "Designing restorative spaces for people with neurodivergent conditions"

Toar Sadia (UCL)

12:20 - 12:40 "Aural Diversity Toolkit: engaging communities for inclusive acoustic design"

Jemma Jones, Chris Watkins (ARUP)

12:40 - 14:00 Q/A + lunch room Sala Atti, building D

Place

Building D Conference room 1-A University of Trieste (Italy) Via A. Valerio 4/1 Trieste

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BESENSHOME RESULTS

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14:00 - 14:20 "Architectural soundscapes and autism: rethinking auditory accessibility"

Marco Caniato (HFT)

14:20 - 14:40 "The senses and their role in special needs comfort"
Arianna Marzi, Suchi Priyadarshani (UniBZ)

14:40 - 15:00 "Requirements for BeSENSHome in school environments"

Lukas Wohofsky, Anna Resch, Laura Kroll, Daniela Krainer
(CUAS)

15:00 - 15:20 "Mobile support for sensory regulation: a stress management app for neuro-divergent individuals"

Laura Kroll, Anna Resch, Daniela Krainer, Lukas Wohofsky (CUAS)

15:20 - 15:40 "Experience of co-designing sensor-friendly spaces: insights from Progetto-AutismoFVG"

Giulia D'Argenio (UniUD), ProgettoAutismoFVG

15:40 - 16:00 "BeSENSHome and the spatial dimension: architectural strategies for sensory inclusion"

Giuseppina Scavuzzo, Federica Bettarello, Martina Di Prisco (UniTS)

BESENSHOME TECHNICAL ASPECTS

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16:00 - 16:20 "BeSENSHome in action: AI and smart technologies for inclusive and sensitive environments"

Valentina Passarella, Marco Raffael (EUREKA System s.r.l.)

16:20 - 16:30 Q/A + greetings

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