



Master of Science in Urban Regeneration and Planning

Department of City and Regional Planning
Faculty of Architecture
Yıldız Technical University

Evaluation Report

After an in-depth examination of its academic curriculum and teaching pedagogy, the MSc in Urban Regeneration and Planning offered in the Faculty of Architecture at Yıldız Technical University has been conferred the AESOP Certificate of Quality.

The Master of Science in Urban Regeneration and Planning delivered at Yıldız Technical University has been evaluated by two members of the AESOP Excellence in Education Board (EEB) appointed by the Chair. The EEB certifies that the above programme fulfils the Quality Recognition criteria.

Quality in Planning Education

The MSc in Urban Regeneration and Planning delivered at Yıldız Technical University is distinctive in its focus on courses in urban regeneration and planning with a specific focus on the socio-spatial, economic and political issues for urban transformation. It brings together the following aspects of quality in planning education:

Programme Curriculum and Identity

- An effective blend of compulsory and elective courses focused on contemporary research areas in urban regeneration and planning. An excellent balance of theoretical, methodological and policy-based courses delivered by a highly-qualified teaching team in relation to the interdisciplinary character of the programme.
- An effective exposure to contemporary political, economic and socio-spatial challenges across the modules of the curriculum.
- Fostering awareness about global change, its relevance and implications at the regional scale and beyond.

Principles of Pedagogy

- Providing students with theoretical and practical knowledge whilst enabling them with opportunities to develop analytical, critical and interpretive thinking through methodological and studio-based courses.



QUALITY RECOGNITION AESOP

- Excellent level of student's/employer's engagement in facilitating research-oriented and proactive curriculum appraisal, and bridging the gap between planning education and real-life practices through real-world projects, field trips, site visits, and guest lectures.
- Encouragement of active, independent and peer-learning in theoretical and studio-based courses through reflective learning, project-based learning (PBL), work in teams, workshops, and presentations.

Best Practices

- Providing lectures promoting practical reasoning, fostering interactive and engaging reflection on court cases, and addressing contemporary social and spatial challenges.
- Offering course such as the "Planning, Urban Transformation, Implementation Studio (SBP 5201)" that involve the municipalities, focusing on problems, and finding innovative solutions. It also shows how the gap is bridged.

The AESOP Certificate of Quality and this Evaluation Report are valid for a period of six years (2024-2030).

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MSc in Urban Regeneration and Planning

offered by

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has been highly distinguished with the

AESOP CERTIFICATE OF QUALITY

We certify that:

This programme fulfils the European quality standards of planning programmes according to the AESOP Charter, complemented by an effective internationalization of teaching and learning processes. The AESOP Certificate of Quality is valid for a period of six years (2024-2030).

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