

**Title:** Refugee Neighbourhoods 1922-2022. Sustainability and Cultural Heritage: The Case of Kessariani

**Program duration:** 2021-2023

**Coordinator:** Konstantinos Avramidis

**Funding:** Municipality of Kessariani

**Partners:** University of Cyprus, Architectural Association

**Description:** The programme aims to develop new housing typologies, innovative models of refurbishment and restoration, and highlight the historical urban fabric and the typical refugee welfare housing units, whilst proposing new collective infrastructures for the entire neighborhood. Special care is given to the overview and promotion of the refugee population heritage in the social, cultural and political history of the place, as well as its registration in spatial and design protocols. The project presents the results of the three-year-long research and design program developed as a collaboration between the Projective Cities program of the Architectural Association School of Architecture in London, with the Department of Architecture of the University of Cyprus. It consists of three main axes — exhibition, publication and conference — as well as a series of activities in the neighborhood. These are taking place as part of the planned events for the centenary of the Asia Minor Catastrophe and the Continuous Open Conference “100 Years from the Asia Minor Catastrophe”, organized by the Municipality of Kessariani from September to December 2022.