

PREFACE

A warm and heartfelt welcome from Design Ideals Journal (DIJ) to all who have taken the time to read and review the inaugural issue for the year 2023. We would like to express our sincere gratitude for your interest and engagement. In this issue, we are proud to present nine articles contributed by our esteemed faculty and students, as well as other institution; focusing on various fields such as Architecture, Urban and Regional Planning, Landscape Architecture, Quantity Surveying, Building Technology Engineering, as well as Applied Arts and Design. These articles have been carefully curated to stimulate thoughtful discussions and cater to the diverse interests of KAED community and other Built Environment schools.

At the Design Ideals Journal, our primary aim is to provide a dedicated platform for students, lecturers, and practitioners to share their research findings, theories, and practical experiences. We encourage the submission of academic papers, research reports, design reviews, abstracts from portfolios, short practice notes, and design theses related to the Built Environment. Our intention is to offer a space where researchers, research students, and practitioners can showcase their work, while also fostering a deeper appreciation for the field among our readers, particularly academics and students.

With the release of this issue, we are proud to have fulfilled our commitment to a biannual production schedule, having published the first of two issues for the year. Looking ahead, we are excited to announce our plans for a forthcoming Special Issue, in addition to our regular publications. We believe that this special edition will offer even greater insights and perspectives within the realm of built and environmental design. As always, we eagerly anticipate receiving inspiring feedback from our readers, which continues to motivate and guide us in our mission.

We also would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to the entire publication team, KAED, and IIUM for their unwavering support and dedication in bringing this issue to fruition. Without their invaluable contributions, this journal would not have been possible. To all our readers, we extend our warmest wishes and hope that you find joy and enlightenment within the pages of this journal. Your continued support and engagement are deeply appreciated as we strive to foster excellence in the DIJ and advance the field of the Built Environment.

Thank you.

Editor-in-Chief