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Preface

This book contains the proceedings of the 1st WSEAS International Conference on LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE (LA '08) which was held in Algarve, Portugal, June 11-13, 2008. This conference aims to disseminate the latest research and applications in Landscape Design, Traditional Building, Landscape Gardening, Gardens, Gardening to attract wildlife, Community gardens, Parks, National parks, Botanical gardens, Children's gardens, Sanctuary gardens, Cemeteries, Golf courses, Plazas, Labyrinths, Memorials, Historic districts, Historic sites and other related topics.

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Finally, we cordially thank all the people of WSEAS for their efforts to maintain the high scientific level of conferences, proceedings and journals.

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Plenary Lecture

Landscape Architecture: One of the Major Actors Shaping Urban Landscape



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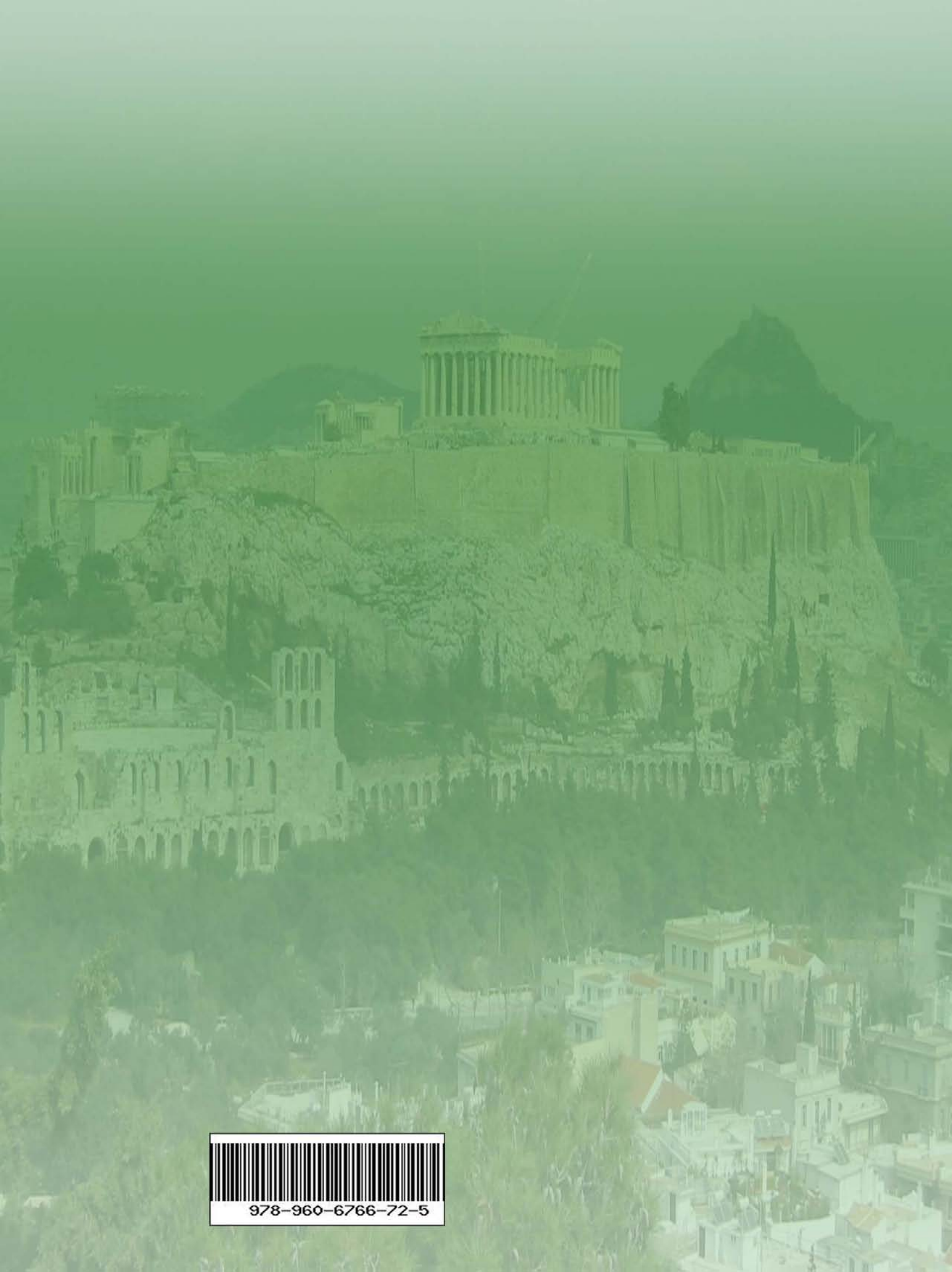
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Abstract: Environment we perceive in urban space has constituted urban landscape. The form of urban landscape has been realized at the end of multidiscipline process beginning with planning and going on the design of urban environment. The process of urban formation is a period in which a lot of sub-purposes should be determined in accordance with the planning purposes. In this process, all the actors authorized and responsible for urban environment should take up seriously the aim of creation of the urban quality. Landscape architecture is one of the major actors shaping urban landscape. It is an interface between urban planning and urban design. Landscape architecture is of great importance from the creation of livable cities, urban quality and urban landscape point of view. In this paper, missions and visions of urban planning, urban design, landscape architecture, architecture and the interrelating role of landscape architecture will be mentioned. Furthermore, that landscape architecture not only has great effect on the form of urban landscape but also is the major tool to re-create ecological footprint of the human on the earth will be emphasized.

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