

# Rescuing the Past:

## Restoration as Resistance in Sudan's Risk and Conflict Zones

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In conflict and post-conflict contexts, archaeological sites and historic buildings are especially vulnerable to destruction, looting, and neglect. A constructive dialogue between archaeology and architectural conservation is crucial for developing effective strategies for protection, risk mitigation, and sustainable enhancement of heritage. By combining archaeological research with restoration practices that respect the material and cultural significance of sites, it is possible to preserve both physical structures and identity values. Interdisciplinary collaboration, especially among archaeologists, conservators, and local communities, plays a key role in ensuring the continuity of cultural heritage in fragile environments. Sudan, with its diverse yet endangered heritage, exemplifies the urgency of such approaches.

### PROGRAM:

*Prof. Emanuele Morezzi (DAD-Politecnico di Torino)*

*Prof. Francesca De Filippi (DAD-Politecnico di Torino)*

'What is happening in Sudan? the Sudanese cultural  
heritage during and after the war"

*Prof. Nuha Abdel Hafiz Abdel Aziz (Università di Khartoum)*

*Prof. Sara Mohammed Mamon Ahmed (Università di Khartoum)*

"The Jebel Barkal site in Sudan between archaeology,  
research and conservation: Historical and architectural  
features & Conservation and enhancement

*Prof. Emanuele Ciampini (Sapienza Università di Roma)*

*Prof. Francesca Iannarilli (Università Ca' Foscari)*

Heritage at Risk: The Restoration of the Mural Paintings of  
Saint Macarius in the Wādī al-Natrūn Desert and the  
International Missions of the IVBC for the Safeguarding of  
Cultural Heritage

*Dott.ssa. Chiara Tomaini (Istituto Veneto per i Beni Culturali)*

Open Panel Discussion

*Prof. Myriam Pilutti Namer (Università Ca' Foscari)*

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