

Professors of Civic Architecture

→ The Department of Architecture (www.arch.ethz.ch) at ETH Zurich invites applications for two professorships in civic architecture, both based at the Institute of Design and Architecture IEA (www.iea.arch.ethz.ch).

→ Inspired by the challenge of creating spaces for a variety of communities and collective practices in contemporary urban territories, these new professorships focus on the character and role of civic architecture. We invite candidates with diverse and distinct approaches spanning the wide spectrum of civic architecture, which may include an emphasis on more monumental or everyday buildings, and range from locally grounded to cross-cultural practices.

→ Through the teaching of design studios and lectures in the Bachelor's and Master's degree programmes in Architecture, including the supervision of Master's theses, the new professors will explore the theoretical foundations, methodological skills and design approaches of civic buildings and urban spaces. Situated at the intersection of architecture, urban studies, social responsibility and sustainable development, they are expected to demonstrate deep knowledge of urban history, governance and legal frameworks, and to promote a contextual and sustainable vision of architecture that reflects on what brings citizens together. Contemporary digital design and production techniques are generally an integral part of the sustainable architecture debate.

→ The new professors are expected to develop a cutting-edge research agenda focused on architectural projects that engage with society and on resilient and inclusive urban spaces. They should be interested in interdisciplinary collaboration within the Department of Architecture and across ETH, particularly with the Institute of Design and Architecture (IEA) and the Institute of Landscape and Urban Studies (LUS), as well as with public agencies and members of civil society.

→ The successful candidates must have a substantial built oeuvre and competence in design and realization of high-quality architecture with civic relevance. Qualifications include a university degree, accreditation by architects and usually experience, both in research and teaching. Responsible leadership of a group and a contribution to the development of the Department of Architecture beyond the boundaries of the discipline are expected. Courses at ETH Zurich are generally taught in German or English.

→ ETH Zurich is an equal opportunity and family-friendly employer, values diversity, and is responsive to the needs of dual-career couples.

→ **Please apply online: www.facultyaffairs.ethz.ch**

→ Applications should include a covering letter; a curriculum vitae; a list of publications; three statements on a) research, b) teaching, c) leadership; a project portfolio; descriptions of the three most important achievements; and a certificate of the highest degree. Please note that the covering letter should be formally addressed to the President of ETH Zurich, Prof. Dr. Joël Mesot. **The closing date for applications is 31 August 2026.**