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Short Bio:

Llazar Kumaraku is an architect and lecturer. He completed his MSc in Architecture at the University of Rome Sapienza in 2009 and in 2014 completed his PhD at the same university. Currently, he is the Head of the Scientific Research Department at Polis University. Llazar Kumaraku was visiting Professor at TU Graz from October 2019 to March 2020. He also was Visiting professor in the University of Molise Italy and U-Minho Portugal. He published for (H)ortus-Sapienza in Italy, AP Forum and Polis Press in Albania and U-Minho in Portugal. In 2019 he published the translation from Italian to Albanian of the book of Franco Purini "Comporre l'Architettura"

His research profile is oriented towards theoretical issues of architecture and aims a deep understanding of the identity of this discipline as a science not dependent on other disciplines, by analyzing criteria and instruments of architectonic/urban design. The objectives of his research are the definition of techniques and designing instruments that help the architectonic composition, basing them on the structural analysis of figurative aspects of construction. His research has been focused on urban space for years, and more specifically on the composition and organization of cities built from the beginning.

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