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Form follows function.

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This volume presents a living inventory of works developed between 2012 and 2026, organised across five sectors: hospitality, corporate, commercial, residential and competitions.

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		Bahrain · Libya · UAE · Greece	2012 — 2026



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Mission

We redefine space by seamlessly merging artistry and functionality.

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Vision

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01

Haus Cafe

Manama, Bahrain

LOCATION	Manama, Bahrain
YEAR	2025
STAGE	Completed
AREA	200 m²
CLIENT	Private









02

Café Café

Seef, Bahrain

Café Café combines classic Parisian design with modern touches — elegant furnishings, a black-and-white palette, terracotta accents and brass details.

LOCATION	Seef, Bahrain
YEAR	2022
STAGE	Execution
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	Café Café










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03

The Palavra Resort

Seef, Bahrain

A resort interior where the design reads as a single composition. Ceiling, floor and millwork are resolved as a continuous whole rather than three separate contracts.

LOCATION	Seef, Bahrain
YEAR	2022
STAGE	Execution
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	The Palavra



04

Kimbo City Centre

Manama, Bahrain

A Kimbo venue in Manama's City Centre — a full café and lounge developing the espresso-bar language into a larger, more public format.

LOCATION	Manama, Bahrain
YEAR	2020
STAGE	Execution
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	Kimbo



05

El Cafe di Roma

Tripoli, Libya

A café in the Roman idiom — high counters, marble surfaces, theatrical pendant lighting. Designed to be read as a working espresso bar rather than a styled restaurant.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2020
STAGE	Execution
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	El Cafe di Roma



06

The Mist Lounge

Manama, Bahrain

A lounge named for the atmosphere it creates: soft, low-contrast, enveloping. Lighting is handled as carefully as furniture; the palette drifts between pale grey, chalk and warm white.

LOCATION	Manama, Bahrain
YEAR	2019
STAGE	Execution
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	Private



07

Kimbo Espresso da Napoli

Dubai, UAE

An espresso bar and lounge inspired by the coffee culture of Naples. Dark timber joinery, glowing display counters and warm indirect lighting set the register.

LOCATION	Dubai, UAE
YEAR	2018
STAGE	Execution
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	Kimbo



08

Aura Hotel

Tripoli, Libya

Fluid curves and warm timber carry through from street level to the uppermost floor, giving the building a sense of movement that feels effortless rather than showy. The arrival is unhurried — a generous canopy, curated planting, and an interior that glows with the promise of what's inside.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2025
STAGE	Concept
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	Private




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09

Elite Pool & Kids Area

Tripoli, Libya

Designed for days that stretch without agenda. Cascading pools and planted islands give the landscape a natural rhythm, drawing guests from the thatched bar to the water's edge and back again. Every corner holds something — for children, for couples, for those who simply want to sit and let the sea do the rest.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2025
STAGE	Concept
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	Private







10

Raaw Cafe

Saar, Bahrain

A 373 m² hospitality interior pairing a clean white-tile counter against a sage-green ceiling and walnut millwork. Terrazzo flooring binds café, outdoor terrace and back-of-house.

LOCATION	Saar, Bahrain
YEAR	2023
STAGE	Concept
AREA	373 m²
CLIENT	Raaw







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01

Office 101

Seef, Bahrain

The studio's own workplace. A curved brushed-steel reception desk and a perforated brass screen anchor the entrance beneath suspended ring pendants. Black-framed, amber-tinted glass partitions enclose the meeting rooms and pantry, while exposed white-painted services, polished concrete floors and backlit material-library shelving keep the working floor open and calm.

LOCATION	Seef, Bahrain
YEAR	2026
STAGE	Under Construction
CLIENT	Form & Function Design Studio







02

Modern Office

Manama, Bahrain

A modern office interior developed around contemporary workplace patterns — flexible zones, generous daylight, and a restrained material palette supporting concentration over showmanship.

LOCATION	Manama, Bahrain
YEAR	2024
STAGE	Execution
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	Private







03

AWRIS

Seef, Bahrain

A corporate interior handled in the studio's working register — a restrained palette with a single expressive moment per major room.

LOCATION	Seef, Bahrain
YEAR	2023
STAGE	Execution
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	Awris







04

Logistics Company

Manama, Bahrain

Office interiors for a shipping and logistics joint venture. The scheme adapts the client's global brand language into a regional workplace.

LOCATION	Manama, Bahrain
YEAR	2022
STAGE	Execution
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	Maersk Kanoo







05

Regus

Tripoli, Libya

Interior fit-out for a coworking centre. Eco-friendly interior elements combined with warm lighting create a welcoming, comfortable atmosphere while maintaining the respectability and formality of a business space.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2019
STAGE	Execution
AREA	600 m²
CLIENT	Regus



06

Libyan Spider HQ

Tripoli, Libya

Interior design for the corporate headquarters of a technology firm. Built around the interaction of cross-functional teams, the layout does not assign a permanent workplace to each employee — giving staff freedom of movement. Through these organisational choices, the office truly becomes a second home.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2016
STAGE	Execution
AREA	900 m²
CLIENT	Libyan Spider







07

Globex Office

Manama, Bahrain

A coworking interior conceived around the demands of focused work — acoustic consideration, a neutral material palette, and a range of spatial configurations from touchdown zones to private offices, allowing the environment to recede and the work to take precedence.

LOCATION	Manama, Bahrain
YEAR	2022
STAGE	Concept
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	Globex









08

Libyan Gate Medical Lab

Tripoli, Libya

Interior design for a new laboratory and office space. The concept revolves around the double helix — reflected in spatial structure, circulation and colour. Natural tones of green, yellow and grey dominate the walls.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2020
STAGE	Concept
AREA	360 m²
CLIENT	Libyan Gate Pharmaceuticals





09

First Gulf Bank

Tripoli, Libya

A corporate headquarters proposal.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2014
STAGE	Concept
AREA	5,600 m²
CLIENT	First Gulf Bank



03

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01

Batelco City Centre

Manama, Bahrain

Sleek, modern retail design with interactive digital displays, gradient lighting and comfortable seating — an engaging environment that highlights the brand's commitment to innovation.

LOCATION	Manama, Bahrain
YEAR	2024
STAGE	Execution
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	Batelco



02

Multistorey Building

Glyfada, Greece

A 2,200 m² multistorey development on the Athens Riviera. A system of stacked horizontal planes with organically curved edges — each floor a separate, liquid volume.

LOCATION	Glyfada, Greece
YEAR	2023
STAGE	Execution
AREA	2,200 m²
CLIENT	Private









03

Kimbo Showroom

Dubai, UAE

A hybrid retail and business-lounge format — a space that sells coffee, provides short-stay workspace, and quietly doubles as a brand showroom.

LOCATION	Dubai, UAE
YEAR	2020
STAGE	Execution
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	Kimbo




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04

Natuzzi Showroom

Tripoli, Libya

A Natuzzi showroom.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2012
STAGE	Completed
AREA	820 m²
CLIENT	Natuzzi



05

Tripoli Boulevard

Tripoli, Libya

A waterfront development that earns its place on the shore. Fluid towers rise from a landscaped podium, their luminous forms reflected in the water after dark, while the promenade below draws people naturally between the sea, the gardens and the retail. Under sculpted canopies, the pace slows — a place built as much for the evening walk as for what it contains.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2026
STAGE	Concept
AREA	62,149 m²
CLIENT	Private







06

Benghazi Boulevard

Benghazi, Libya

A new district designed around the idea that people should want to linger. Curving forms and a continuous promenade draw movement through naturally — retail and dining opening onto planted courtyards, the boutique hotel rising at the edge with its own quiet drama. A place that gives the neighbourhood something it didn't know it was missing.

LOCATION	Benghazi, Libya
YEAR	2026
STAGE	Concept
AREA	130,000 m²
CLIENT	Private





07

Al Jumhuriya Square

Tripoli, Libya

Rooted in its city, yet reaching beyond it. Terraced greenery cascades across the podium, softening the scale of two towers that rise with quiet confidence above the urban grain. Beside the mosque's illuminated minarets, the development holds its ground without competing — a new landmark that understands the weight of its setting.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2026
STAGE	Concept
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	Private







08

Mixed-Use Building

Tripoli, Libya

Where living and commerce find their balance. Warm material choices and considered lighting carry through from the retail frontage to the residential floors above — the whole building composed with the same quiet confidence, inside and out.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2025
STAGE	Concept
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CLIENT	Private



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01

Private Villa

Diyar Al Muharraq, Bahrain

Interiors for a family villa, briefed around social entertaining and a desire for high-end atmosphere without heaviness. A light, airy palette encourages interaction and lifts the scale of the whole house.

LOCATION	Diyar Al Muharraq, Bahrain
YEAR	2022
STAGE	Execution
AREA	360 m²
CLIENT	Private







02

Villa Ramez

Janzur, Libya

A contemporary villa dipped in white, set before a landscaped garden. The central design idea is the functional zoning of plot and plan — interaction between family members flows through key points: stair, living rooms and swimming pool.

LOCATION	Janzur, Libya
YEAR	2020
STAGE	Execution
AREA	560 m²
CLIENT	Private



03

Villa Maher

Tripoli, Libya

A contemporary villa in a closed residential complex.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2017
STAGE	Execution
AREA	230 m²
CLIENT	Private



04

Private Apartment

Manama, Bahrain

A plan organised around the flow of daily life — social spaces anchored at the heart, private quarters pulling gently away. The layout breathes, allowing each room its own character while keeping the whole connected and intuitive.

LOCATION	Manama, Bahrain
YEAR	2026
STAGE	Concept
AREA	200 m²
CLIENT	Private







05

Private Villa

Hamala, Bahrain

A family villa designed around openness and understated refinement. Clean volumes and a warm, natural palette soften the architecture's boldness, creating a home that feels generous without weight — composed for living, yet quietly impressive.

LOCATION	Hamala, Bahrain
YEAR	2025
STAGE	Concept
AREA	696 m²
CLIENT	Private







06

Serviced Apartment

Tripoli, Libya

Understated on the outside, considered in every detail. Stone cladding, dark frames and planted sills give the facade a calm authority, while the ground floor opens easily to the street — a building that holds its residents well without announcing itself.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2025
STAGE	Concept
AREA	541 m²
CLIENT	Private







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Private Villa

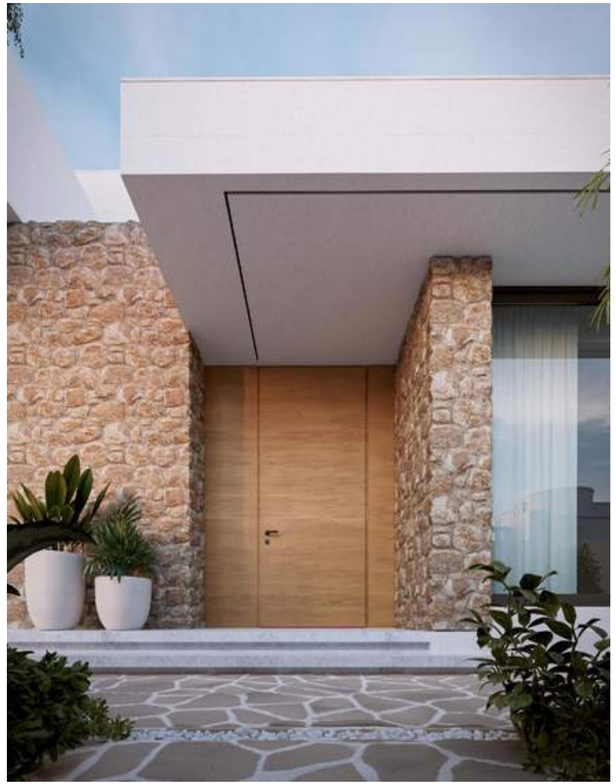
Tripoli, Libya

A modern villa blending crisp whitewashed volumes with warm natural stone and timber accents. Set within a private residential complex, the design balances openness and privacy through layered facades, lush landscaping and thoughtfully framed outdoor spaces.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2024
STAGE	Concept
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	Private









08

Private Villa

Tripoli, Libya

A private residence blending classical Arabic architecture with contemporary luxury. Double-height volumes, arched windows and rich material layering — marble, timber, brass and velvet — come together through a warm palette of neutrals, deep wood tones and terracotta accents.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2024
STAGE	Concept
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	Private








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09

Private Apartment

Juffair, Bahrain

A 360 m² apartment reconfigured to expand from two bedrooms to three. Soft cream upholstered surfaces, matt pale oak, unlacquered brass fittings and curved motifs recur without becoming a tic.

LOCATION	Juffair, Bahrain
YEAR	2020
STAGE	Concept
AREA	360 m²
CLIENT	Private








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01

Smart City

Tripoli, Libya

A competition proposal for a 31,000 m² mixed-use district. Three towers along a linear water spine, framed by a continuous pedestrian promenade.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2023
STAGE	Competition
AREA	31,000 m²
CLIENT	Municipality





02

General Hospital

Tripoli, Libya

A modern multi-specialty hospital.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2018
STAGE	Concept
AREA	21,550 m²
CLIENT	Ministry of Health




GENERAL UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL
EMERGENCY

03

Central Bank of Libya

Tripoli, Libya

A competition proposal for a Central Bank headquarters. The scheme reads the site as an urban gate: a monumental figure oriented to the sea, pierced at grade by a public passage.

LOCATION	Tripoli, Libya
YEAR	2013
STAGE	Competition
AREA	Confidential
CLIENT	Central Bank of Libya, with Saraiva + Associados






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