Session 1
Urban design and Architecture in Lebanon

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In this session, we will discuss the evolution of urban design and architecture in Lebanon. From the early 20th century until today, Lebanon has seen significant changes in its urban landscape, influenced by various factors such as colonial rule, economic development, and political instability.

Urban design in Lebanon is characterized by a blend of traditional and modern influences. The traditional architectural style, known as Traditional Architecture, is still prevalent in many parts of the country. This style is distinguished by its use of local materials and craftsmanship, as well as its integration with the natural environment.

Modern architecture in Lebanon is characterized by a focus on functionality and simplicity. Many contemporary architects in Lebanon have sought to create buildings that are not only aesthetically pleasing but also environmentally sustainable. This has led to the development of innovative construction techniques and materials.

The session will also explore the impact of urban design on the cultural and social fabric of Lebanese society. From the role of architecture in shaping identity to the challenges of urbanization and environmental sustainability, we will delve into the multifaceted aspects of urban design in Lebanon.

In conclusion, the evolution of urban design and architecture in Lebanon is a reflection of the country’s rich history and dynamic present. As we move forward, it is essential to balance the preservation of traditional values with the need for innovation and adaptability in the face of changing times.

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