

**“Ion Mincu” University of Architecture and Urban Planning
Bucharest**

Tuesday, September 17

1.00 pm – 3.00 pm

Vernacular Architecture – Natural or Adaptive Intelligence?

In a context dominated by the emergence of artificial materials and rapid technological leaps, this seminar proposes a return to the traditional sources of architecture. It will analyze vernacular architecture as an expression of adaptive intelligence, a durable and flexible witness of time, capable of offering lessons in resilience and sustainability. The event provides a critical reflection on contemporary architectural positions and on how the reinterpretation and reuse of historical models can inspire present and future practices. Discussions will focus on the morphological resilience of these constructions, their ability to adapt over time, and their relevance for contemporary architectural practices. The seminar also encourages a dialogue between two paradigms – contemporary architecture, often driven by technological spectacle, and vernacular architecture, grounded in accumulated wisdom – exploring how time-tested models can inform contemporary architectural thought and practice.

Speakers: Dr. Arch. Ana-Maria Crişan and Dr. Arch. Alexandru Crişan

Participants: Students from the Faculties of Architecture and Urbanism at UAUIM University in Bucharest and UMFST University in Târgu Mureş