
Education

2017 – 2022 Ankara, Türkiye	Middle East Technical University Faculty of Architecture PhD in Architecture
2015 – 2016 New York City, USA	Columbia University Graduate School of Architecture, Planning & Preservation Master of Science in Advanced Architectural Design
2008 – 2014 Istanbul, Türkiye	Istanbul Technical University Architecture Faculty (double major program) Bachelor of Architecture, September 2014 Bachelor of Landscape Architecture, September 2013
2011 – 2012 Porto, Portugal	Universidade Fernando Pessoa Erasmus Mobility Student in Architecture
2007 – 2008 Sao Paulo, Brazil	Escola de Eduardo Gomez Rotary Youth Exchange Program
1998 – 2007 Ankara, Türkiye	TED Ankara College

Experiences

2016 – Present Ankara, Türkiye	azaksu architects (partner) Coordinating projects in different scales, business development, client relations
2014 – 2015 New York City, USA	Eisenman Architects (intern) Worked in competition projects
2013 Istanbul, Türkiye	NSMH - Nevzat Sayın Mimarlık Hizmetleri (intern)
2011 – 2012 Istanbul, Türkiye	Istanbul Modern Museum (researcher) Worked in education department
2010 – 2014 Ankara, Türkiye	azaksu architects (intern)

Academic Experiences

Current Ankara, Türkiye	Bilkent University Part time instructor - LAUD Design Studio
2025 – Current Ankara, Türkiye	Middle East Technical University Part time instructor - ARCH291 Landscape Design
2016 – 2026 Ankara, Türkiye	TOBB University of Economics and Technology Part time instructor - Architectural Design Studio, STV, for 2 nd , 3 rd and 4 th year students
2024 Ankara, Türkiye	TOBB University of Economics and Technology Part time instructor - MIM 306, <i>Architectural Design, Presentation and Research Techniques: Autodesk Revit</i>
2025 – 2026 Ankara, Türkiye	Middle East Technical University Part time studio instructor - 4 th year architectural design studio coordinated by Ayşen Savaş
2018 – 2022 Ankara, Türkiye	Middle East Technical University Part time studio instructor, guest critic and lecturer - 4 th year architectural design studio coordinated by Ayşen Savaş
2016 New York City, USA	Columbia University Teaching Assistant - Architectural Design Studio <i>revivify</i> , coordinated by Karla Rothstein - Studio-X workshop, <i>Micro-networks of Tophane</i> , coordinated by Phu Hoang

Workshop Tutoring

2019 Lisbon, Portugal	Lisbon School of Architecture The Deck - Locus: Conceptualization: Anchoring as a part of MateriArt Project, Art and Science of Materiality in Architectural Design Education
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Administrative Duties and Memberships

2026 – Present	Architects' Association 1927 - Board member
2016 – Present	Archiprix Türkiye Graduation Project Competition - Coordinator
2016 – Present	Şevki Vanlı Architectural Foundation - Executive Board
2016 – Present	Architects' Association 1927 – Member
2014 – Present	The Chamber of Architects of Türkiye - Member, licensed architect
2013 – Present	The Chamber of Landscape Architects of Türkiye - Member, licensed landscape architect

Awards

Academic

2019
Ankara, Türkiye
METU Graduate Students Performance Award

2013
İstanbul, Türkiye
ITU Landscape Architecture Graduation Project Award

Competition Projects

2024
Muğla, Türkiye
Balavca River and Surrounding Design Competition
1st honorable mention, in collaboration with *Esatcan Coşkun, Seray Türkay Coşkun, Mehmet Nazım Özer, Emrah Söylemez, Sinan Cem Kızıl, Caner Arıkboğa, Gökçe Naz Soysal, Ebru Evin*

2022
Mersin, Türkiye
Tarsus Waterfall Tourism Center Architectural Design Competition
Honorable mention, *azaksu architects*

2021
Antakya, Türkiye
Antakya Urban Square and Surrounding Urban Design Competition
Purchase prize, *azaksu architects*

2021
İstanbul, Türkiye
Büyükkada Phaeton Square Urban Design Competition
1st honorable mention, in collaboration with *scra architects*

2021
Ankara, Türkiye
Healthcare Workers Memorial Project Competition
Honorable mention, in collaboration with *Eren Başak, Gökçe Naz Soysal, Yiğit Acar, Seray Türkay Coşkun, Esatcan Coşkun, Özgün Özçakır, Elif Selena Ayhan Koçyiğit, Emre Kaygusuz*

2020
İzmir, Türkiye
İzmir Municipality Main Transfer Center Architectural Competition
3rd honorable mention, *azaksu architects*

2020
oliVelo İzmir Urban Periphery Ecological Common Living Area Competition İzmir, Türkiye
4th honorable mention, in collaboration with *Ayşen Savaş Sargın, Funda Baş Bütüner, Olgu Çalışkan, Osman Sümer, Ömer Faruk Ağırsoy, Sezin Sarıca, Dilara Turgut*

2017
Bursa, Türkiye
Cekirge Square, Architectural, Urban and Landscape Design Competition
Honorable mention, in collaboration with *Irmak Kalkan*

2016
Efeler, Türkiye
Efeler Municipality Service Building Architectural Competition
3rd prize, *azaksu architects*

2014
Çanakkale, Türkiye
Çanakkale Social Housing Urban Renovation Architectural Competition
3rd prize, *azaksu architects*

2012
İstanbul, Türkiye
Urban implant
1st honorable mention, in collaboration with *Ece Palabıyık*

2011
Adana, Türkiye
Adana Municipality Building and Cultural Center Architectural Competition
1st honorable mention, *azaksu architects*

2010
Ankara, Türkiye
METU Students Center and METU Square Architectural Competition
3rd prize, *azaksu architects*

Jury Memberships

2021	Çuhadaroğlu Student Project Competition, <i>New Life Interfaces</i>
2021	The Chamber of Landscape Architects Awards
2020	San Deco Student Project Competition, <i>Beyond the Wall</i>

Academic Projects, Publications and Conferences

Thesis

PhD, Architecture	Topological Ground Land Form and Built Form Supervisor: Ayşen Savaş, Middle East Technical University
Ms, Architecture	Speculations on a City Project based, Columbia University

Projects

2023	UEFA EURO 2032 Bid Dossier (examination of 10 stadiums in Türkiye to evaluate if they meet the requirements. Prepared for Turkish Football Federation) Coordinator
2017 – 2019	e-FADE: Exploring the Field of Interaction in Architectural Design Education, Co-Funded by ERASMUS Program of the European Union, Strategic Partnership for Higher Education Program Researcher

Publications

Savaş, A., Baş Bütüner, F., Sarıca, S., & Aksu, N. N. (2022). Projecting the deep ground. *Journal of Landscape Architecture*, 17(3), 6–19. <https://doi.org/10.1080/18626033.2022.2195224>

Aksu, N. N., & Yılmaz, B. (2020). Reconstructing the site: Studio spaces As the architectural model. In *Architectural Models as Learning Tools* (pp. 109-114). *Caleidoscopio*.

Conferences

Aksu, N. N., (2023). Daylight in Urban Sports Facilities / The Dialogue of Indoor and Outdoor. ETHZ : Inside – Out” Daylight in Sustainable Urban Design Conference. Zurich, Switzerland. 11 March 2023.

Aksu, N. N., Baş Bütüner, F., Savaş Sargin, A., & Sarıca, S. (2021). Cultivating the Deep Ground: Productive Land Formations. *ECLAS : Stop and Think*. Uppsala, Sweden. 21 April 2021.

Book Design

Adnan Aksu, N. C. (2017). *Tenekeden Mimarlık*. Ankara: Şevki Vanlı Mimarlık Vakfı.

Projects and Applied Works (selected)

Landscape Architecture Projects

2025 – 2026 Tanzania	Zanzibar Sports Complex Masterplan (Swimming Pool, Arena, Conference, etc.) Zanzibar, azaksu architects (under construction)
2025 Zanzibar, Tanzania	Suluhi Stadium azaksu architects (under construction)
2025 Benghazi, Libya	Benghazi Sports Complex Masterplan (Swimming Pool, Arena Commercial, etc.) azaksu architects (under construction)
2024 Benghazi, Libya	Benghazi Stadium azaksu architects (constructed)
2018 Eskişehir, Türkiye	TEI Housing Complex azaksu architects (constructed)
2016 Türkiye	Giresun Sports Complex Giresun, azaksu architects (constructed)
2015 Antalya, Türkiye	Antalya 100 th Year Stadium azaksu architects (constructed)
2015 Türkiye	Antalya Arena Sports Hall Antalya, azaksu architects (constructed)
2014 Ankara, Türkiye	Dalsan Office Building azaksu architects (constructed)

Architecture Projects

2025 Zanzibar, Tanzania	Suluhi Stadium azaksu architects (under construction)
2025	Benghazi Sports Complex (Swimming Pool, Arena, Conference Center, etc.) Benghazi, Libya azaksu architects (under construction)
2024 Benghazi, Libya	Benghazi Stadium azaksu architects (constructed)
2024 Ankara, Türkiye	Mesan Electronics Factory (HAB Ankara) azaksu architects (constructed)
2019 Nevşehir, Türkiye	Nevşehir Urban Area Design azaksu architects (constructed)
2018 İstanbul, Türkiye	Ataturk Olympics Stadium azaksu architects (concept project)
2018 Uzbekistan	Pakhtakor Sports Complex Tashkent, azaksu architects (concept project)
2018 Ankara, Türkiye	Maya Schools High School Campus azaksu architects (constructed)
2017 Karabük, Türkiye	Karabük University Swimming Pool and Sports Hall azaksu architects (constructed)

Interior Architecture Projects

2026	Hollywood Bar
Ankara, Türkiye	azaksu architects (constructed)
2025	Suluğu Stadium
Zanzibar, Tanzania	azaksu architects (under construction)
2025	PeraPera Restaurant
Ankara, Türkiye	azaksu architects (constructed)

Language

Native	Turkish
Advanced	English
Fluent	Portuguese