A conversation with Ulrich Kirchhoff, Associate Professor of the Department of Architecture at the University of Hong Kong.
January 08, 2025 at 15:00

What does research and teaching mean for an architect in addition to creation? How can research be put to good use in practice and university education?
Ulrich Kirchhoff is our guest in the library of the Department of Urbanism at the Faculty of Architecture, BME, to talk about his experiences! What are the similarities and differences between courses in Hong Kong and Budapest?

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Ulrich Kirchhoff is associate professor of practice, as well as the founder of ICE – Ideas for Contemporary Environments. He combines academic research and professional practice in his exploration of emergent tower typologies and high density habitats.

With nearly twenty years of work experience in Asia, he was the head of design at OMA Asia/RAD where he designed several large scale commercial projects (including the first W-Hotel in Asia and the SK Telecom Headquarter and the Jeonju University Campus Centre).

Ulrich studied Architecture at The University of Arts in Berlin, Germany where he received his Diploma (Dipl.-Ing. Arch) in 1999.

His research interests focus on the city, high density environments and large scale architecture and their structural systems. Specific focus are on pencil tower and podium tower typologies.

In 2007 Ulrich received the 40 under 40 award. In 2010 he participated at the Venice Biennale 'Radical Mix' with a design driven research conducted with his students from the EPF Lausanne. The project investigated high density high rise developments in cities with high density low rise context. In 2011 he was awarded with the Bloomberg Asia Pacific Property Award for the best mixed-use development in Vietnam. In 2017 he received BEAM Plus Platinum as the highest environmental grading for the residential development at 48 Caine Road, Central, Hong Kong.

Ulrich is the academic member of ACABAS (Advisory Committee on the Appearance of Bridges and Associated Structures), APRC (Authorised Person Registration Committee) and Fire Safety Committee.
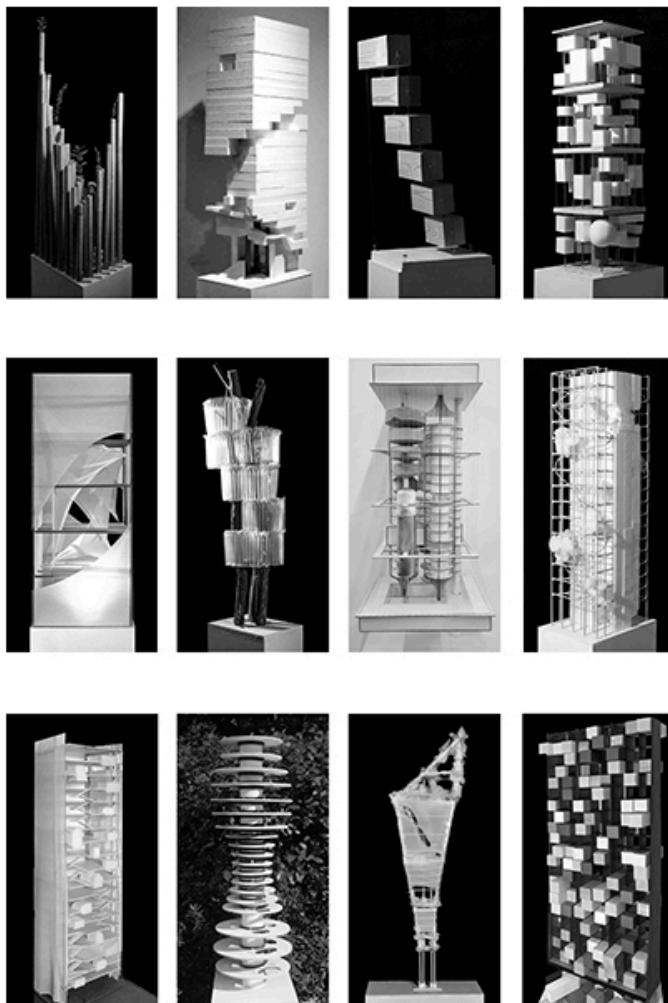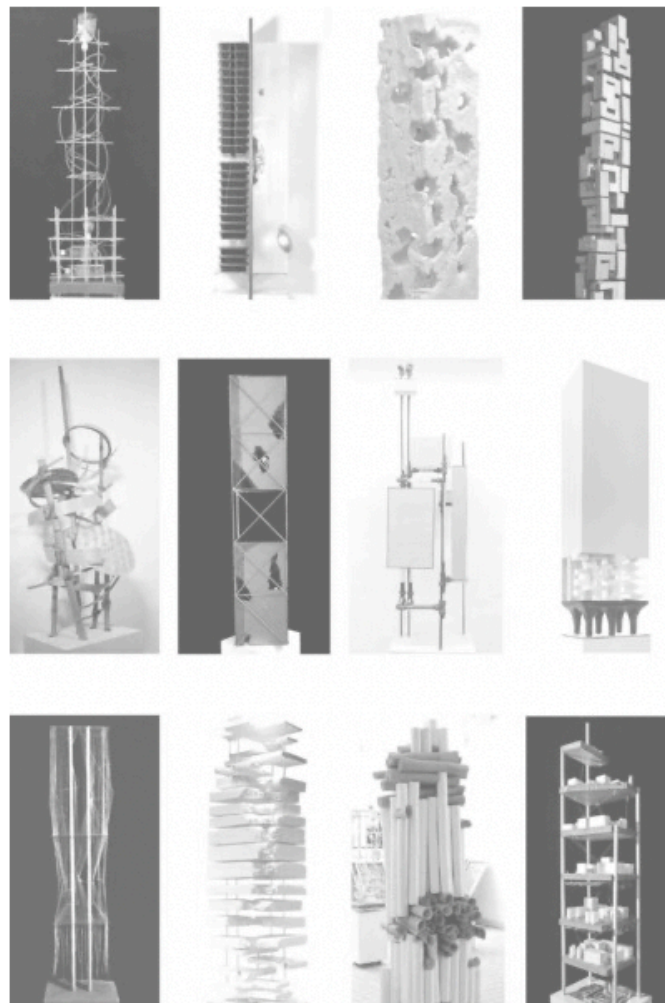
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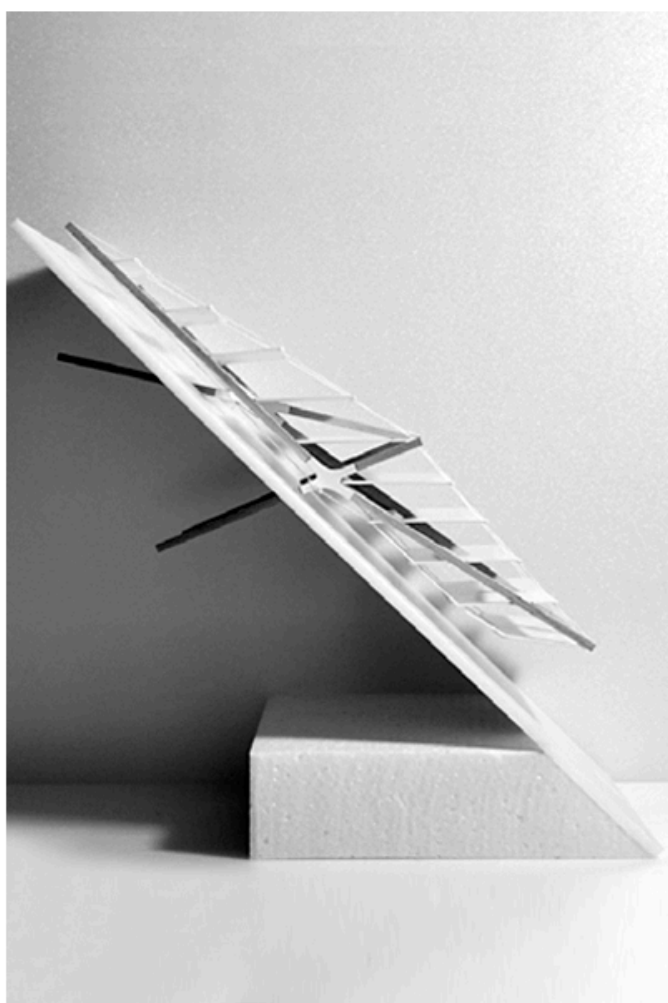Fai Au & Ulrich Kirchhoff
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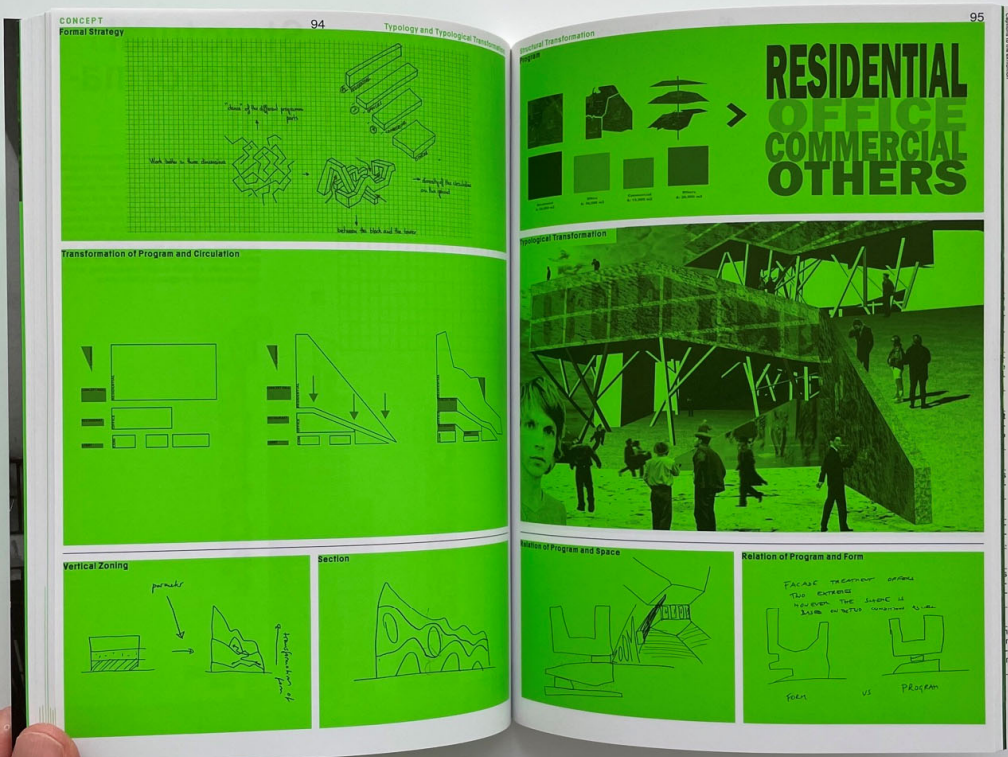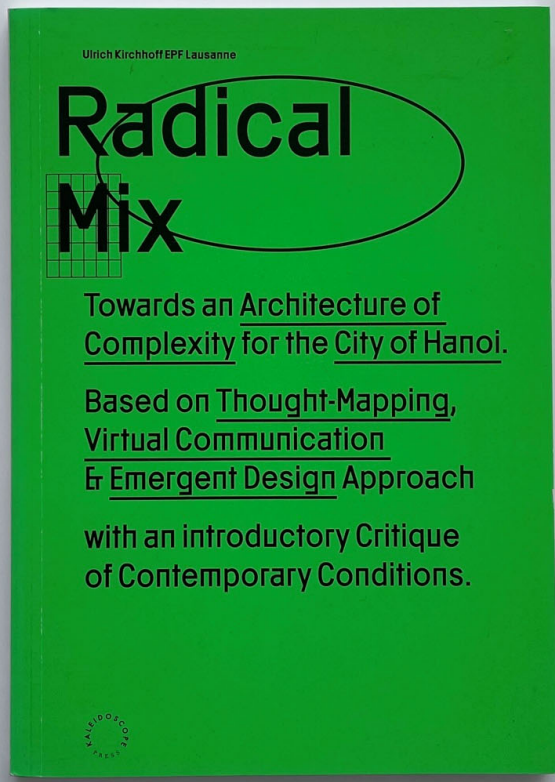

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Towards an Architecture of Complexity for the City of Hanoi.

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Urban Connections and Architectural Urbanism

High rise towers in a low rise urban fabric—the confrontation of scale.

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Vertical Urbanism

Vertical Micro Communities

Typology and Typological Transformation

Scale difference between the inside and outside, scale difference between the city and the development.

Urban Modules and Sustainable Strategies

Thinking and tropical climatic situations.

Shadow creates Life

Landscape Urbanism

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Circulation and Programmatic Connection

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