

SARA HASHEMZADEH

Architectural Designer | Concept Development

Milan, Italy · Eligible to work and relocate to the Netherlands in September

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PROFILE

Concept-driven architectural designer, Honorable Mention at the Archiol Competition for an independently-led boutique hotel design. Three years grounding that design instinct in technical delivery, documentation, permitting, and coordination across 30+ residential renovation projects in Milan. Leads design end-to-end, from concept and massing through visualization, with a consistent focus on climate-responsive, socially engaged spaces.

EXPERIENCE

Architectural Designer | Archilabo, Milan

2023 – Present

Renovation · Design Development · Project Coordination

- Developed technical documentation and construction drawings for 30+ residential renovation projects in Italy.
- Produced architectural drawings and project presentations from design development through permit submission.
- Conducted site surveys and coordinated design information with architects, consultants, and clients.
- Ensured drawings complied with local regulations while managing multiple concurrent projects.

Architectural Specialist | ADVA Gallery, Iran

2015 – 2019

Furniture · Client Support · Production Support

- Guided clients through the design and ordering process for custom furniture and interior products.
- Coordinated with craftsmen and suppliers to translate client requirements into production-ready drawings.
- Managed the company's website and social media, creating content and maintaining product information.

SELECTED PROJECTS & COMPETITIONS

JanubioHorizon — Boutique Luxury Hotel | Archiol Competition — Honorable Mention

Spain

- Led concept, massing, and design development independently, with structural and technical consulting from one engineering teammate.

Sama Sopi Nursery | Kaira Looro Competition

Senegal

- Led design development, spatial planning, material strategy, and courtyard/classroom organization; in a two-person team, with structural and technical development from an engineering teammate.

Hope Horizon Academy — School and Kindergarten | Master's Thesis

Moshi, Tanzania

- Directed concept design, team coordination, and visualization/postproduction for a team of 4–6, delivering a light-filled vertical workplace prioritizing well-being and social interaction, with passive strategies including cross-ventilation and adjustable shading.

EDUCATION

M.Sc. Building and Architectural Engineering | Politecnico di Milano

2020 – 2023

B.Sc. Architectural Engineering | Azad University of Tehran

2014 – 2019

Leadership Certificate | Politecnico di Milano, Center for Leadership, Lecco

October 2023

Awarded for completion of certificate requirements and leadership development.

SKILLS

Software: Rhino 3D, Enscape, AutoCAD 2D, Adobe Photoshop, Microsoft Office, Midjourney, Gemini (AI-assisted visualization)

Languages: Persian (Native), English (Professional), Dutch (Basic, A1 — actively improving)